

# **Digital Logic Design**

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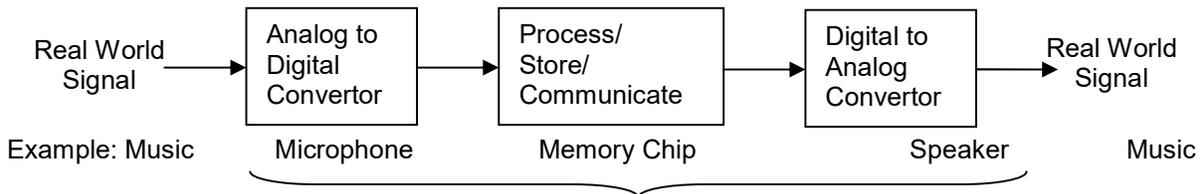
## **Chapter 1. Number Systems, Number Representations, and Codes**

### **1.1. Key concepts and Overview**

- ❖ Digital vs. Analog
- ❖ Digital Design Overview (from Transistor to Super Computer)
- ❖ Design Methodologies
- ❖ Number systems (Binary, Octal, Decimal, Hexadecimal)
- ❖ Base Conversions
- ❖ Signed Binary Number Conventions
- ❖ Binary Arithmetic
- ❖ Binary Code
- ❖ DC Electrical Circuit Fundamentals
- ❖ Additional Resources
- ❖ Problems

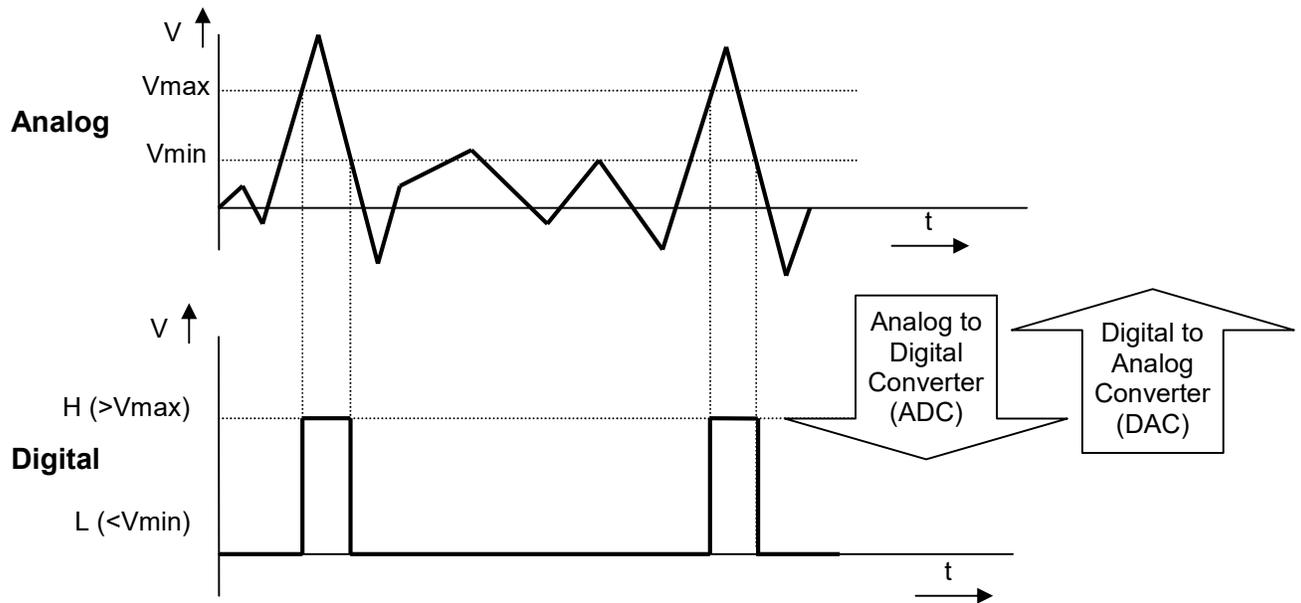
## 1.2. Digital vs. Analog

Natural forces and signals are all analog (or continuous) which means we hear, see and change items in a continuous manner. On the other hand, our digital technology (also called non-continuous or 2-value discrete) more effectively allows us to process and communicate more effectively. This leads us to design systems that fit the following block diagram architecture:



- ❖ Why convert analog data to digital data?
  - We have the information we need (on-off, timing)
    - Above a certain level is on, high, 1-state or true.
    - Below a certain level is off, low, 0-state or False.
  
  - Note: We have introduced a discontinuity when a signal goes from 1 to 0 or 0 to 1. This means we cannot say what the exact value is at the time of transition.
  
  - Reduces complexity of signals and the solutions to work with the signal.
    - To deal with a digital signal we need to deal with binary algebra.
    - To deal with an analog signal we need to deal with calculus to approximate.
  
  - Positive vs. Negative logic
    - *Positive Logic Convention* (Default → easier for humans to understand)
      - H, ( $V > V_{max}$ ) is 1-state or True
      - L, ( $V < V_{min}$ ) is 0-state or False
    - *Negative Logic Convention* (1 is L and 0 is H)
      - H, ( $V > V_{max}$ ) is 0-state or False
      - L, ( $V < V_{min}$ ) is 1-state or True

- ❖ Example of analog and digital representations of human Heart Beat:



- ❖ Based on the definition of a digital (2-valued) system, what are some examples where a digital system could apply? What are the variables and on/off or high/low states?

- ❖ Example: Describe the input and output of a traffic intersection in digital form.

Solution:

Car's presence at an intersection:

(Car Present  $\rightarrow$  Magnitude is 1, No Car Present  $\rightarrow$  Magnitude is 0)

Status of Traffic Lights:

(Red-on  $\rightarrow$  1, Red-off  $\rightarrow$  0)

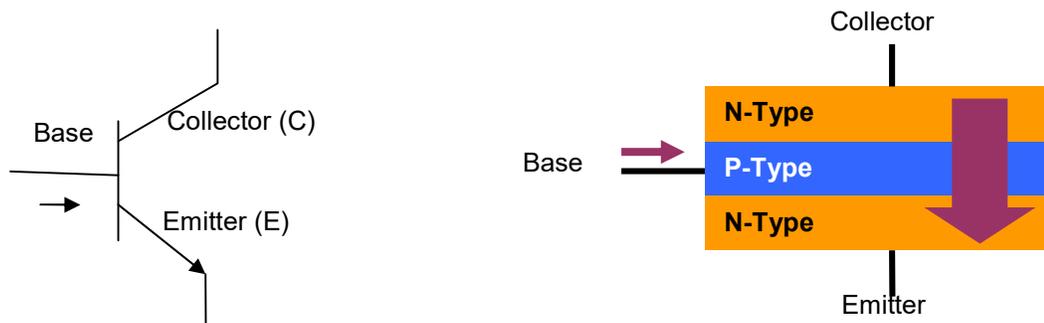
Extension: draw a typical Intersection and label the output and input in digital form.

### 1.3. Digital Design Overview (from Transistor to Super Computer)

- ❖ All digital systems from the smallest to largest run on a 2-valued system (also called Binary system). So a mechanism is needed to represent the two values. This is typically accomplished with a switch that can be on or off. In the early days, mechanical switches were used, followed by vacuum tubes as switches. Today we use transistors that can be configured to approximate the switch on and off modes. Transistors are fast, inexpensive and small.
  
- ❖ Transistor overview (the invention that makes today's automation possible)
  - The transistor, invented by three scientists at the Bell Laboratories in 1947, rapidly replaced the vacuum tube as an electronic signal regulator.
  
  - Transistors are the basic elements in integrated circuits (ICs). An IC consists of a very large number of transistors interconnected with circuitry and packaged into a single silicon microchip or "chip." A typical processor chip has many millions of transistors.
  
  - A transistor is developed based on semiconductor material characteristic. Semiconductor material used basically as a switch as shown below:

#### NPN Transistor Example

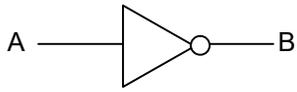
"A small current at the base causes the CE connection to change from open to a short"



- Semiconductor material is given special properties by a chemical process called doping. The doping results in a material that either adds extra electrons to the material (which is then called N-type for the extra negative charge carriers) or creates "holes" in the material's crystal structure (which is then called P-type because it results in more positive charge carriers).

Today's computers use circuitry made with complementary metal oxide semiconductor (CMOS) technology. CMOS uses two complementary transistors per gate (one with N-type material; the other with P-type material). When one transistor is maintaining a logic state, it requires almost no power when not switching.

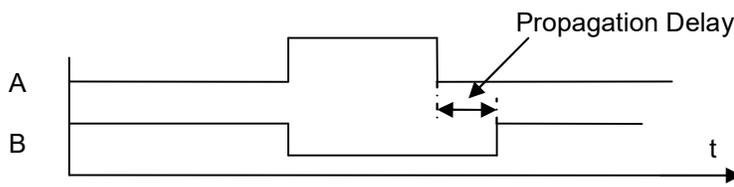
- ❖ Semiconductor Integration scaling
  - Small-Scale Integration, SSI (Basic gates: OR, NOR, NOT, AND)
    - Example: Inverter (NOT) is a common SSI element used in Digital Design (Vendors provide usage information and specifications in the form of a data sheet)



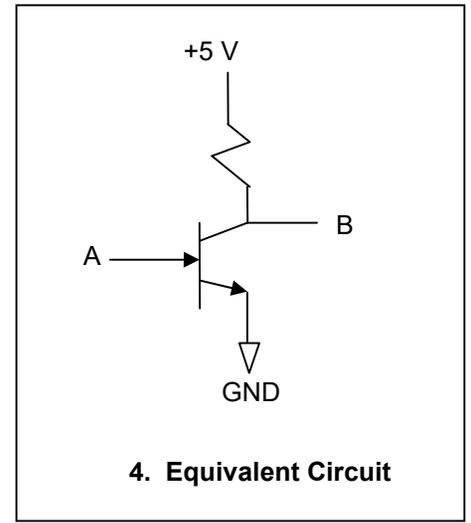
1. Block Diagram

Input A	Output B
0	1
1	0

2. Truth Table



3. Timing Diagram



4. Equivalent Circuit

- Medium Scale Integration, MSI
  - PAL--Programmable Array Logic, GAL--Generic Array Logic, EPROM--Erasable Programmable Read Only Memory, ADDER, COUNTER)
    - 1,000s to 100,000s of gates.
    - Typically, the vendor provides information in the form of a data sheet
- Large Scale Integration (LSI)
  - 100,000s to Millions of gates
  - Typically implements complex functionality
  - Processors such as special function controllers and interface chips
- Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI)
  - Millions to Billions of gates
  - Typically includes extensive functionality
  - Processors such as Intel's Pentium are examples of VLSI.
- ❖ Design / Analysis tools
  - We will be using manual processes for most of this text to design/analyze digital circuits in order to gain in-depth understanding of logic design.
  - The final section of this text is dedicated to the use of Hardware Description Language (HDL) to automate design, simulation, implementation, and analysis and verification process.

## 1.4. Design Methodologies

Digital design depends on the type of problem, the work already completed, the strategic direction of the organization and the skills/resources available to the project team. Having said that, in general, there are three approaches available to the designers under traditional Hierarchical-Oriented Designs:

- **Top-down Design Methodology**  
Start with larger block of design and then work out the detail of each block.
- **Bottom-up Design Methodology**  
Start with components and figure out how to interconnect them to design the system.
- **Middle-out Design Methodology**  
A combination of the bottom-up and top-down. Most designs are done this way: start with the top-down design, then modify the design to take advantage of the available components (based on cost, availability, and reliability).

Another way of thinking about the problem of design that has a strong following in the software development community and is being used in the hardware community under the module design concept is Object-Oriented Design (OOD).

Designers commonly agree that there are four main properties or benefits associated with object-oriented design:

- **Encapsulation**  
As the name implies, the internals of the design are hidden from the user and only the interface definition (input/output) are available to the user. Users benefit since they have a limited amount of information to learn. Designers benefit since they are able to upgrade the module without involving the user as long as the new interface is a superset of an existing interface.
- **Inheritance**  
This simply means that an object may be built on the features available in the base object property. Of course, the benefit is that the designers only have to work on the additional feature and simply reuse the existing functionality.
- **Polymorphism**  
OOD allows the designer to create objects that behave differently based on the attributes of input.
- **Composition (One object can be built using many others.)**  
A new object may be developed based on the composition of multiple existing objects.

Hopefully, at this point you are thinking “why wouldn’t everyone use OOD?” The main drawback of OOD is the high level of planning required for each module, and discipline needed to follow the four properties in design.

## 1.5. Number Systems (Decimal, Binary, Octal, Hexadecimal)

We have learned and use the decimal numbering system simply because humans are born with ten fingers! The decimal system has served us well. But with digital systems, we need a 2-value system (binary). We could attribute this to the fact that computers only have open or closed switches (or one finger, if you prefer).

This means, we have to learn the binary system in addition to the decimal system. We also will discuss the octal and hexadecimal systems because conversion to/from binary is easy and numbers in these systems are easier to read than binary numbers for humans.

### ❖ Decimal Number (base or radix 10)

- Humans use the decimal numbering system as a default, so when you see a number 56 your assumption is that its base or radix is 10 or  $(56)_{10}$  which is “56 base 10”.
- Each digit is weighted based on its position in the sequence (power of 10) from the Least Significant Digit (LSD, power of 0) to the Most Significant Digit (MSD, highest power).
- Each digit must be less than 10 (0 to 9)

For example  $(2375.46)_{10}$  is evaluated as:

	MSD					LSD	
Digit notation	$d_3$	$d_2$	$d_1$	$d_0$	.	$d_{-1}$	$d_{-2}$
Digit	2	3	7	5	.	4	6
Value	$10^3$	$10^2$	$10^1$	$10^0$		$10^{-1}$	$10^{-2}$
Results=Value*Digit	2000	300	70	5		0.4	0.06

$$(2375.46)_{10} = 2 \times 10^3 + 3 \times 10^2 + 7 \times 10^1 + 5 \times 10^0 + 4 \times 10^{-1} + 6 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$= 2000 + 300 + 70 + 5 + 0.4 + 0.06$$

*Note: The general term for decimal point is “radix point”.*

### ❖ Binary Number (base or radix 2)

- Digital and computer technology is based on the binary number system, since the foundation is based on a transistor, which only has two states: on or off.
- Each digit of the number is called a bit or which is a short for **binary digits**
  - An 8-bit group is referred to as a Byte
  - An 4-bit group is referred to as a nibble
- Each bit is weighted based on its position in the sequence (powers of 2) from the Least Significant Bit (LSB) to the Most Significant Bit (MSB).
- Each bit must be less than 2 which means it has to be either 0 or 1.

For example  $(1010.11)_2$  is evaluated as:

	MSB				LSB	
Digit notation	$b_3$	$b_2$	$b_1$	$b_0$	$b_{-1}$	$b_{-2}$
Digit	1	0	1	0	1	1
Value	$2^3$	$2^2$	$2^1$	$2^0$	$2^{-1}$	$2^{-2}$
Results=Value*Digit	8	0	2	0	0.5	0.25

$$(1010.11)_2 = 8 + 0 + 2 + 0 + 0.5 + 0.25 = (10.75)_{10}$$

*Note: The general term for decimal point is radix point*

- In binary, the count starts at 0 (called 0-referencing), where in decimal, the count typically starts with 1 (called 1-referencing)
  
- ❖ Octal (base 8) and Hexadecimal (base 16)  
These number systems are used by humans as a representation of long strings of bits since they are:
  - Easier to read and write, for example  $(347)_8$  is easier to read and write than  $(0111100111)_2$ .
  - Easy to convert (Groups of 3 or 4)
  - Today, the most common way is to use Hex to write the binary equivalent; two hexadecimal digits make a Byte (groups of 8-bit), which are basic blocks of data in Computers.
  
- ❖ Question: The hexadecimal system is base 16, so the digits range in value from 0 to 15. How do you represent Hexadecimal digits above 9?  
  
Use A for 10, B for 11, C for 12, D for 13, E for 14 and F for 15. So  $(CAB)_{16}$  or  $(CAB)_{\text{HEX}}$  is a valid hexadecimal number.
  
- ❖ Computer memory is typically organized in 8-bit groups or bytes. Why groups of 8?

## 1.6. Base Conversions

### ❖ Decimal to Binary Conversion

#### ➤ Alternative 1 – “Subtract the weight method”

- Steps:
  - ◆ Find the largest power of 2 ( $2^n$ ) that can be subtracted out of the decimal number
  - ◆ Take the result and subtract ( $2^{n-1}$ ) from it
    - If the result is not negative then that bit is one
    - If the result is negative, then that bit is zero and the result equals the result from step 1
  - ◆ Repeat step 2 until the result is exactly 0
- Example: convert  $(49)_{10}$  to a binary number

$2^n \rightarrow$	49	17	1	1	1	1	1	
	-32	-16	-8	-4	-2	-1	-1	
Results $\rightarrow$	17	1	-7	-3	-1	-1	0	When =0, done
Binary # $\rightarrow$	( 1	1	0	0	0	0	1)	

#### ➤ Alternative 2 – “Division by 2 method”

- Steps:
  - ◆ Divide the decimal number by 2
    - Remainder is the least significant bit (most right bit)
    - Quotient is used in the next step
  - ◆ Divide quotient by 2
    - Remainder is the next significant bit (next left bit)
    - Quotient is used in the next step
  - ◆ Repeat previous step until quotient is 0
- Example: convert  $(49)_{10}$  to a binary number

	<u>Remainder</u>
2 49	1 (LSB)
2 24	0
2 12	0
2 6	0
2 3	1
2 1	1 (MSB)
2 0	Stop

$$(49)_{10} \rightarrow (110001)_2$$

### ❖ Binary to Decimal Conversion – “Add the weight method”

#### ➤ Step:

Simply multiply each bit with its weight and add to get the decimal number

#### ➤ Example: Convert $(110001)_2$ to a decimal number

$$(110001)_2 = (1 * 2^5 + 1 * 2^4 + 0 * 2^3 + 0 * 2^2 + 0 * 2^1 + 1 * 2^0)_{10} = (49)_{10}$$

### ❖ Binary $\leftrightarrow$ Octal Conversion - “Group of 3 method”

- Step:
  - (1) Each three bits in binary (right to left) equals one octal digit in the same direction)

- Example - Convert  $(10110111)_2$  to an Octal number.

“0” is added to make a group of 3

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 ( & 010 & 110 & 111 & )_2 \\
 & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & \\
 ( & 2 & 6 & 7 & )_8
 \end{array}$$

- Reverse the process to convert from Octal to Binary

❖ Binary ↔ Hexadecimal Conversion - “Group of 4 method”

- Steps:
  - (1) Each four bits in binary (right to left) equals one hex digit in the same direction)

- Example:- Convert  $(110110111)_2$  to a hexadecimal number

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 ( & 0001 & 1011 & 0111 & )_2 \\
 & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} & \\
 ( & 1 & B & 7 & )_{16}
 \end{array}$$

- Reverse the process to convert from hexadecimal to binary

❖ Any base to Decimal Conversion - “Polynomial Function Method”

- The most general number in any base is the real number and the general rule is as follows:

$$(\text{Real Number})_r = (d_j \dots d_1 d_0 . d_{-1} d_{-2} \dots)_r = (d_j r^j + \dots + d_1 r^1 + d_0 r^0 + d_{-1} r^{-1} + d_{-2} r^{-2} + \dots)_{10}$$

- Example – The most common conversion is Hex integer to decimal base. For this example, convert  $(1CAB)_{16}$  to decimal:

$$(1CAB)_{16} = (1 \cdot 16^3 + 12 \cdot 16^2 + 10 \cdot 16^1 + 11 \cdot 16^0) = (7339)_{10}$$

- Example - Although not common, let’s do an example of converting a real binary number to decimal so Convert  $(11010)_2$  to decimal.

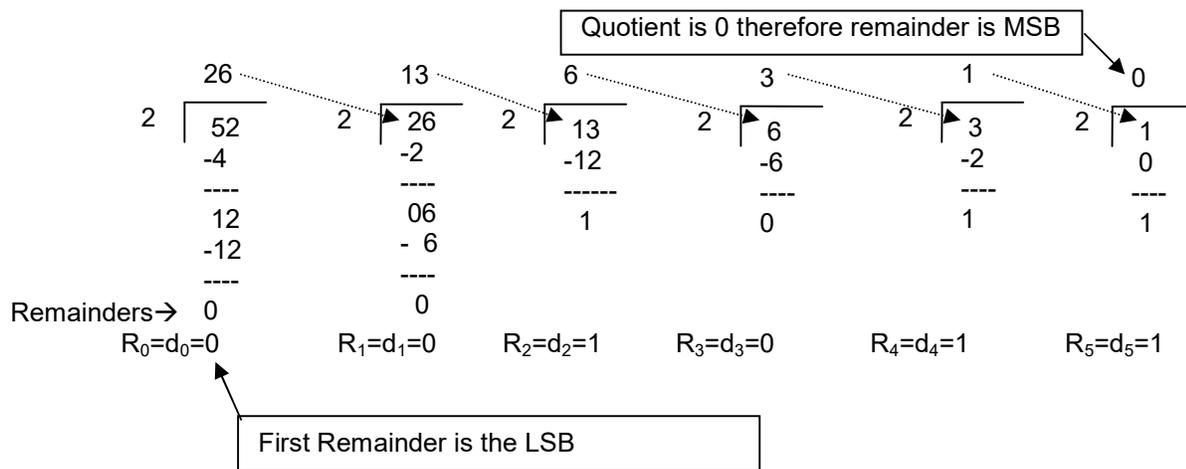
$$(11010.11)_2 = (1 \cdot 2^4 + 1 \cdot 2^3 + 0 \cdot 2^2 + 1 \cdot 2^1 + 0 \cdot 2^0 + 1 \cdot 2^{-1} + 1 \cdot 2^{-2}) = (26.75)_{10}$$

❖ Integer Decimal Conversion to any Base – “Repeated Radix Division Method”

- The solution is based on the fact that
 
$$(\text{integer number})_{10} = d_n r^n + \dots + d_2 r^2 + d_1 r^1 + d_0 r^0 = (d_n \dots d_2 d_1 d_0)_r$$

- Steps:
  - (1) If  $(\text{integer number})_{10}$  is divided by  $r$ , the remainder is  $d_0$  (Least Significant Digit, LSD)
  - (2) If the quotient from step 1 is divided by  $r$  the remainder is the next digit
  - (3) Repeat step 2 until the quotient is zero were the remainder is the  $d_n$  (Most Significant digit, MSD)

- Example: Convert  $(52)_{10}$  to binary (radix,  $r = 2$ )



Therefore  $(52)_{10} = (110100)_2$

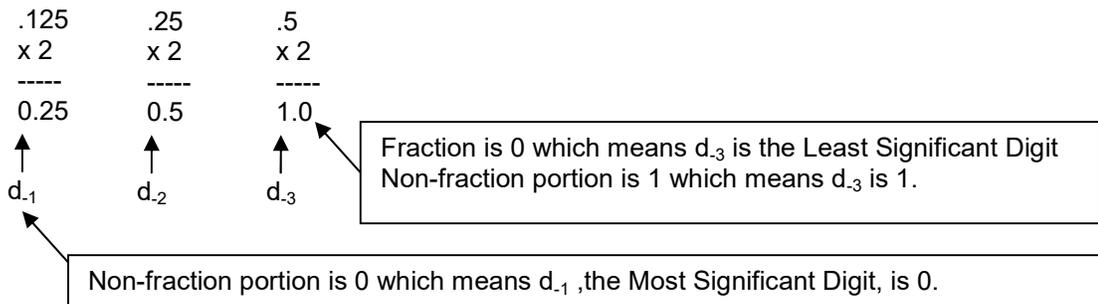
❖ Decimal Fraction Conversion to any Base – “Repeated Radix Multiplication Method”

- Solution is based on the approach:  
 $(\text{decimal fraction})_{10} = d_{-1} r^{-1} + d_{-2} r^{-2} + \dots = (.d_{-1} \dots d_{-2} d_{-1} d_0)_r$   
 $r * (\text{decimal fraction})_{10} = d_{-1} + d_{-2} r^{-1} + \dots = (.d_{-1} d_{-2} d_{-3} \dots)_r$

- Steps:
  - (1) Multiply  $(\text{fraction})_{10}$  by  $r$ , the non-fractional part is the first digit
  - (2) Continue step 2 until fraction is 0

- Example: Convert  $(.125)_{10}$  to binary ( $r=2$ )

Solution:



Therefore  $(.125)_{10} = (.001)_2$

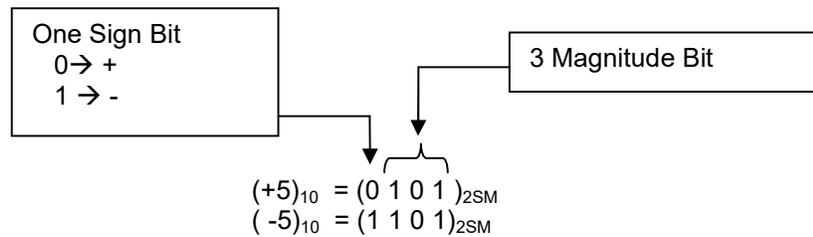
*Note: Some numbers may not be fully convertible, so you have to decide the number of decimal points you need to convert. For example  $(1/12)_{10}$  does not fully convert to binary number.*

## 1.7. Signed Binary Number Conventions

### ❖ Signed Binary Number Representations (3 methods)

#### ➤ Signed Magnitude (SM)

- Easiest for people to read (Not used by computers)
- Here is an example of Signed Magnitude number with 4-bit word size



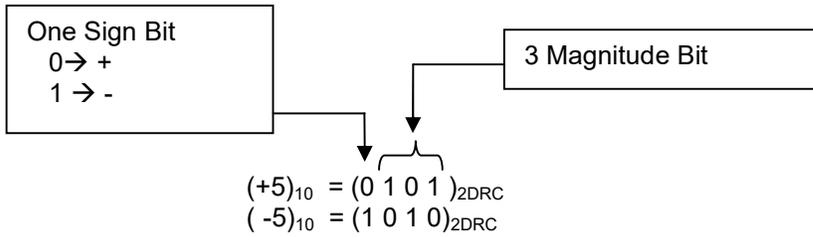
- Binary SM numbers for n-bit word ranges from  $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$  to  $-(2^{n-1} - 1)$   
*Note: there are two values for zero (Sign-bit = 1 and Sign-bit=0)*
- Example of complete list of binary SM numbers for a 4-bit word.

Binary SM Number (n=4)				Decimal Number
d3	d2	d1	d0	
0	1	1	1	$+7 = +(2^{4-1} - 1)$
0	1	1	0	+ 6
0	1	0	1	+ 5
0	1	0	0	+ 4
0	0	1	1	+ 3
0	0	1	0	+ 2
0	0	0	1	+ 1
0	0	0	0	+ 0
1	0	0	0	- 0
1	0	0	1	- 1
1	0	1	0	- 2
1	0	1	1	- 3
1	1	0	0	- 4
1	1	0	1	- 5
1	1	1	0	- 6
1	1	1	1	$-7 = -(2^{4-1} - 1)$

### ❖ Diminished Radix Complement (DRC) or 1's complement

- Some computer systems use this information because it is easier to convert.
- To obtain a negative DRC or 1's complement:
  - Write a positive number with MSB set to 0 (positive sign)
  - Negate (Invert) every bit including sign bit to obtain the negative number.

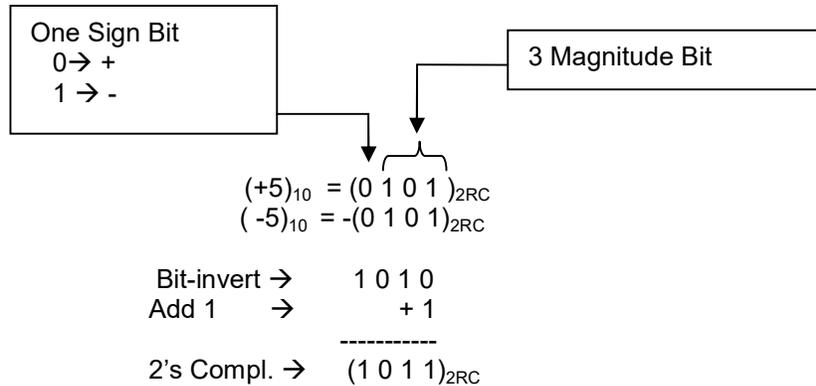
- Here is an example of 4-bit word size:



- DRC numbers for n-bit word ranges from  $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$  to  $-(2^{n-1} - 1)$ 
  - Note that there are two values for zero (Sign-bit = 1 and Sign-bit=0)
- Example of Binary DRC or 1<sup>s</sup> Complement Numbers for a 4-bit word

Binary SM Number (n=4)				Decimal Number
d3	D2	d1	d0	
0	1	1	1	+ 7 = $+(2^{4-1} - 1)$
0	1	1	0	+ 6
0	1	0	1	+ 5
0	1	0	0	+ 4
0	0	1	1	+ 3
0	0	1	0	+ 2
0	0	0	1	+ 1
0	0	0	0	+ 0
1	1	1	1	- 0
1	1	1	0	- 1
1	1	0	1	- 2
1	1	0	0	- 3
1	0	1	1	- 4
1	0	1	0	- 5
1	0	0	1	- 6
1	0	0	0	- 7 = $-(2^{4-1} - 1)$

- ❖ Radix Complement (RC) or 2's complement
  - Majority of Digital Systems use RC since it simplifies the binary arithmetic operation.
  - To obtain a negative RC or 2's complement:
    - Write a positive number with the MSB set to 0 (positive sign)
    - Negate (Invert) every bit including sign bit
    - Add a 1 to the result to obtain the negative number
  - Note: Taking the 2's complement of the result will return the original positive number.*
  - Below is an example of 4-bit number of SM to RC:



- RC numbers for n-bit word range from  $+(2^{n-1} - 1)$  to  $-(2^{n-1})$  with the following two characteristics:
  - The range is not symmetrical, there is one more negative number than there are positive numbers.
  - There is only one pattern for zero (-0 and +0 have the same pattern)
- Example of Binary RC or 2's Complement Numbers for a 4-bit word

Binary SM Number (n=4)				Decimal Number
d3	d2	d1	d0	
0	1	1	1	+ 7 = $+(2^{4-1} - 1)$
0	1	1	0	+ 6
0	1	0	1	+ 5
0	1	0	0	+ 4
0	0	1	1	+ 3
0	0	1	0	+ 2
0	0	0	1	+ 1
0	0	0	0	+ 0
0	0	0	0	- 0
1	1	1	1	- 1
1	1	1	0	- 2
1	1	0	1	- 3
1	1	0	0	- 4
1	0	1	1	- 5
1	0	1	0	- 6
1	0	0	1	- 7
1	0	0	0	- 8 == $-2^{4-1}$

- Quick Inspection Method → Finding 2's complement
  - Working from the LSB of the number to be complemented toward the MSB (right to left), rewrite each bit up to and including the first "1" encountered, then complement each bit thereafter
  - Example:

	MSB	LSB
Old Number:	(1 0 1 1 0 1 0)	
2's Complement:	(0 1 0 0 1 1 0)	

\*\*Note: 2's complement gets you back to the original number.

## 1.8. Binary Arithmetic

All of today's computer systems use RC numbers (2's complement) for binary arithmetic operations. The rest of this section provides description of Binary Arithmetic using RC numbers.

### ❖ Addition of Signed Binary Numbers

When adding RC numbers, simply add then ignore the left-most carry.

$$\begin{array}{r} +7 \rightarrow \quad 0\ 1\ 1\ 1 \\ +(-2) \rightarrow \quad 1\ 1\ 1\ 0 \\ \hline 0\ 1\ 0\ 1 \end{array} \quad \text{"Ignore the left-most carry, and the result is +5"}$$

Notes:

- The left-most bit is a sign bit and there are three magnitude bits.
- As long as we know results fits within the 1 sign-bit and n magnitude bits, this process works. Otherwise we need to consider the overflow.

### ❖ Addition of Unsigned Binary Numbers

Unsigned addition Signed works exactly the same way as signed addition, allowing us to use the same circuitry.

$$\begin{array}{r} +7 \rightarrow \quad 0\ 1\ 1\ 1 \\ +3 \rightarrow \quad 0\ 0\ 1\ 1 \\ \hline 1\ 0\ 1\ 0 \end{array} \quad \text{"Result is +10. If there is a carry beyond the available bits, then an overflow has occurred."}$$

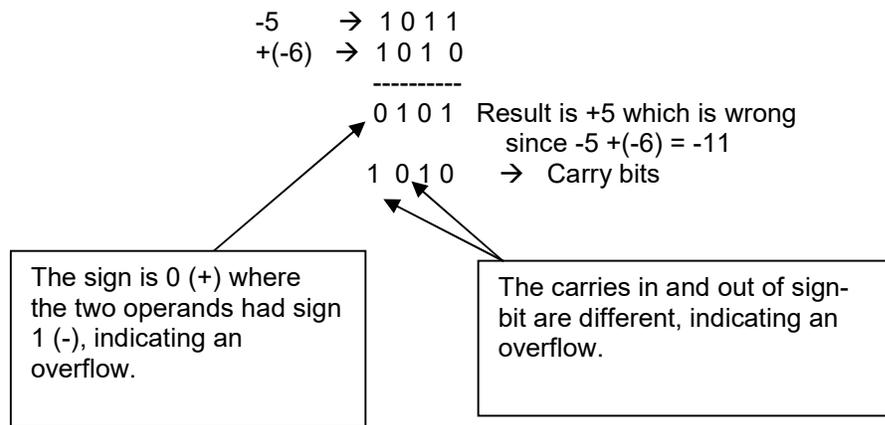
### ❖ Overflow

➤ An overflow occurs when the addition of two numbers results in a number larger than can be expressed with the available number of bits.

- Example – performing the operation,  $8+9=17$ ; in a 4-bit word system, results in an overflow since 4 bits can only store 0 to 15. The result will show as a 1, which is 16 less than the correct result.

➤ Detecting overflow

- Unsigned number addition  
If the addition has a carry beyond the available bits then an overflow has occurred.
- Signed (RC, 2's complement) number addition
  - If the operands have different signs, then overflow cannot occur, since one number is being subtracted from the other.
  - If the operands have the same sign and the result has a different sign, then an overflow has occurred.  
A quick way to identify an overflow situation is when the carry into the sign-bit position and the carry out of sign-bit position are different. Example



❖ Subtraction (indirect method)

If you write subtraction as addition with a negative number, then the previous method can be used.

➤ For example:

{2 - 6} can be done by performing {2 + (-6)}

## 1.9. Binary Codes

Binary codes are used to translate human symbols to one and zeros. The most important of the symbols is the alphabet used for human communications. So every key and character has to have a unique binary code. The minimum number of bits required to uniquely identify all the keys on the keyboard must meet the following condition:

$$2^{\text{Number of Bits}} \geq \text{Number of keys}$$

### ❖ ASCII Code

Initially, IBM's scheme of representing alphanumeric and control characters for computers was the most commonly used coding method. The coding scheme was referred to as the Extended Binary-Coded Decimal Interchange Code (EBCDIC). Its dominance was driven by IBM's near-monopoly position in the computer industry until the early 1980's.

The majority of other manufacturers were looking for a non-proprietary coding, leading to the American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) coding. ASCII was adopted by the majority of vendors and very quickly overtook EBCDIC as the most commonly used coding scheme.

ASCII code is used to represent alphanumeric and control characters with 8 bits. The ASCII code table is shown below:

Dec	Hx	Oct	Char	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr
0	0	000	<b>NUL</b> (null)	32	20	040	&#32;	<b>Space</b>	64	40	100	&#64;	<b>@</b>	96	60	140	&#96;	<b>`</b>
1	1	001	<b>SOH</b> (start of heading)	33	21	041	&#33;	<b>!</b>	65	41	101	&#65;	<b>A</b>	97	61	141	&#97;	<b>a</b>
2	2	002	<b>STX</b> (start of text)	34	22	042	&#34;	<b>"</b>	66	42	102	&#66;	<b>B</b>	98	62	142	&#98;	<b>b</b>
3	3	003	<b>ETX</b> (end of text)	35	23	043	&#35;	<b>#</b>	67	43	103	&#67;	<b>C</b>	99	63	143	&#99;	<b>c</b>
4	4	004	<b>EOT</b> (end of transmission)	36	24	044	&#36;	<b>\$</b>	68	44	104	&#68;	<b>D</b>	100	64	144	&#100;	<b>d</b>
5	5	005	<b>ENQ</b> (enquiry)	37	25	045	&#37;	<b>%</b>	69	45	105	&#69;	<b>E</b>	101	65	145	&#101;	<b>e</b>
6	6	006	<b>ACK</b> (acknowledge)	38	26	046	&#38;	<b>&amp;</b>	70	46	106	&#70;	<b>F</b>	102	66	146	&#102;	<b>f</b>
7	7	007	<b>BEL</b> (bell)	39	27	047	&#39;	<b>'</b>	71	47	107	&#71;	<b>G</b>	103	67	147	&#103;	<b>g</b>
8	8	010	<b>BS</b> (backspace)	40	28	050	&#40;	<b>(</b>	72	48	110	&#72;	<b>H</b>	104	68	150	&#104;	<b>h</b>
9	9	011	<b>TAB</b> (horizontal tab)	41	29	051	&#41;	<b>)</b>	73	49	111	&#73;	<b>I</b>	105	69	151	&#105;	<b>i</b>
10	A	012	<b>LF</b> (NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	&#42;	<b>*</b>	74	4A	112	&#74;	<b>J</b>	106	6A	152	&#106;	<b>j</b>
11	B	013	<b>VT</b> (vertical tab)	43	2B	053	&#43;	<b>+</b>	75	4B	113	&#75;	<b>K</b>	107	6B	153	&#107;	<b>k</b>
12	C	014	<b>FF</b> (NP form feed, new page)	44	2C	054	&#44;	<b>,</b>	76	4C	114	&#76;	<b>L</b>	108	6C	154	&#108;	<b>l</b>
13	D	015	<b>CR</b> (carriage return)	45	2D	055	&#45;	<b>-</b>	77	4D	115	&#77;	<b>M</b>	109	6D	155	&#109;	<b>m</b>
14	E	016	<b>SO</b> (shift out)	46	2E	056	&#46;	<b>.</b>	78	4E	116	&#78;	<b>N</b>	110	6E	156	&#110;	<b>n</b>
15	F	017	<b>SI</b> (shift in)	47	2F	057	&#47;	<b>/</b>	79	4F	117	&#79;	<b>O</b>	111	6F	157	&#111;	<b>o</b>
16	10	020	<b>DLE</b> (data link escape)	48	30	060	&#48;	<b>0</b>	80	50	120	&#80;	<b>P</b>	112	70	160	&#112;	<b>p</b>
17	11	021	<b>DC1</b> (device control 1)	49	31	061	&#49;	<b>1</b>	81	51	121	&#81;	<b>Q</b>	113	71	161	&#113;	<b>q</b>
18	12	022	<b>DC2</b> (device control 2)	50	32	062	&#50;	<b>2</b>	82	52	122	&#82;	<b>R</b>	114	72	162	&#114;	<b>r</b>
19	13	023	<b>DC3</b> (device control 3)	51	33	063	&#51;	<b>3</b>	83	53	123	&#83;	<b>S</b>	115	73	163	&#115;	<b>s</b>
20	14	024	<b>DC4</b> (device control 4)	52	34	064	&#52;	<b>4</b>	84	54	124	&#84;	<b>T</b>	116	74	164	&#116;	<b>t</b>
21	15	025	<b>NAK</b> (negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	&#53;	<b>5</b>	85	55	125	&#85;	<b>U</b>	117	75	165	&#117;	<b>u</b>
22	16	026	<b>SYN</b> (synchronous idle)	54	36	066	&#54;	<b>6</b>	86	56	126	&#86;	<b>V</b>	118	76	166	&#118;	<b>v</b>
23	17	027	<b>ETB</b> (end of trans. block)	55	37	067	&#55;	<b>7</b>	87	57	127	&#87;	<b>W</b>	119	77	167	&#119;	<b>w</b>
24	18	030	<b>CAN</b> (cancel)	56	38	070	&#56;	<b>8</b>	88	58	130	&#88;	<b>X</b>	120	78	170	&#120;	<b>x</b>
25	19	031	<b>EM</b> (end of medium)	57	39	071	&#57;	<b>9</b>	89	59	131	&#89;	<b>Y</b>	121	79	171	&#121;	<b>y</b>
26	1A	032	<b>SUB</b> (substitute)	58	3A	072	&#58;	<b>:</b>	90	5A	132	&#90;	<b>Z</b>	122	7A	172	&#122;	<b>z</b>
27	1B	033	<b>ESC</b> (escape)	59	3B	073	&#59;	<b>;</b>	91	5B	133	&#91;	<b>[</b>	123	7B	173	&#123;	<b>{</b>
28	1C	034	<b>FS</b> (file separator)	60	3C	074	&#60;	<b>&lt;</b>	92	5C	134	&#92;	<b>\</b>	124	7C	174	&#124;	<b> </b>
29	1D	035	<b>GS</b> (group separator)	61	3D	075	&#61;	<b>=</b>	93	5D	135	&#93;	<b>]</b>	125	7D	175	&#125;	<b>}</b>
30	1E	036	<b>RS</b> (record separator)	62	3E	076	&#62;	<b>&gt;</b>	94	5E	136	&#94;	<b>^</b>	126	7E	176	&#126;	<b>~</b>
31	1F	037	<b>US</b> (unit separator)	63	3F	077	&#63;	<b>?</b>	95	5F	137	&#95;	<b>_</b>	127	7F	177	&#127;	<b>DEL</b>

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In early 1990, the need for a code that was capable of representing Asian languages with large

number of characters became an important competitive question. Up to that point, the language of computer interfacing was English and to lesser extend other western languages that have less than 256 characters. The ASCII code could represent them using its 8-bit word with 256 unique codes. But this is not true for a number of Asian languages.

In order to meet the need for the larger Asian languages character set and maintain compatibility with ASCII code, Unicode was introduced. Unicode use 16 bits, so it is capable of representing as many as  $2^{16}$  or 65,536 unique symbols. The majority of today's computers use Unicode which is also referred to as the double byte code.

❖ Other Binary Codes

- Binary coded decimal (BCD)  
BCD assigns 4 binary bits to each binary digit. The only drawback is that only 0 to 9 are used, and the other 6 combinations from 10 to 15 are not used.

<u>Binary Coded Decimal</u>	
0000	→ 0
0001	→ 1
0010	→ 2
0011	→ 3
0100	→ 4
0101	→ 5
0110	→ 6
0111	→ 7
1000	→ 8
1001	→ 9

- Reflective Gray Code (RGC)  
RGC is a binary number system organized so that consecutive codes in the sequence only require one bit change as shown below:

<u>2-bit Reflective Gray Code</u>
00
01
11
10

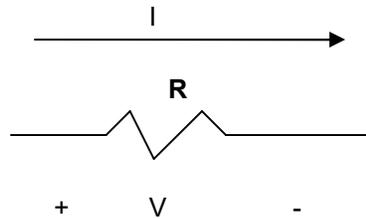
<u>3-bit Reflective Gray Code</u>
000
001
011
010
110
111
101
100

## 1.10. DC Electrical Circuit Fundamentals

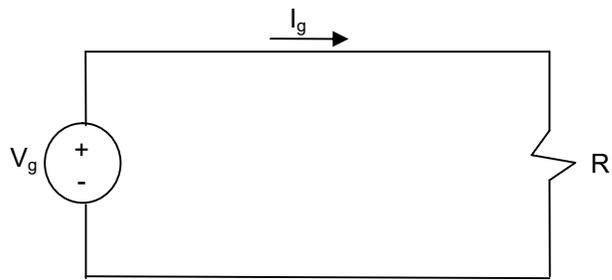
The basic components used here are resistors and power supplies. The power supply provides energy to the circuit and the simplest power supply is a battery. Resistors are material that limit the amount of current follow.

This section discusses the generation and sensing of logic "1" which is typically equal to 3.5 and 5 volts. On the other hand, logic "0" is typically less than 0.7 volts.

- Electrical Resistance
  - Resistor Symbol



- Resistance is the capacity of a material to impede the flow of current (electric charge). The most common use of resistors is to limit current flow.
  - The flow of current through a resistor will convert electrical energy to thermal energy. In some applications, this property is desirable and in other application it is undesirable. Here are examples of each:
    - Undesirable: transmission line, digital devices
    - Desirable: heater, toaster. oven, stove top
  - Resistance, R, is a basic ideal element so it is defined in term of current, I, and Voltage. Ohms law:  $V = I * R$  where:
    - R value is in Ohms or  $\Omega$
    - V is in volts
    - I is in Amperes
- Power  
Power is measured in Watts and can be calculated using the following equations.  
 $P = V^2/R = I^2 * R$  where  
V is the voltage and is in volts  
I is the current in Amps  
R is the resistance in Ohms
  - Example  
Find the value of the resistance ,R, and the power consumed by the resistor if  $V_g = 1 \text{ kV}$  and  $I_g = 5 \text{ mA}$ .

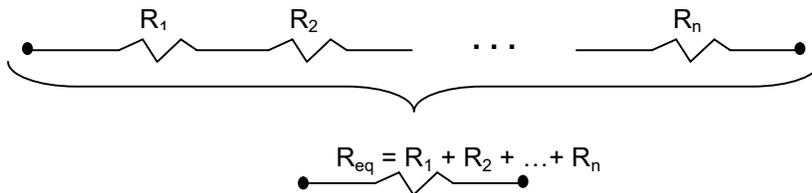


- Solution
  - $R = V_g / I_g = 1000 / 0.005 = 200 \text{ k}\Omega$
  - $P_r = I_g^2 * R = (.005)^2 * (200,000) = 5 \text{ W}$

➤ Circuit simplification by combining resistors

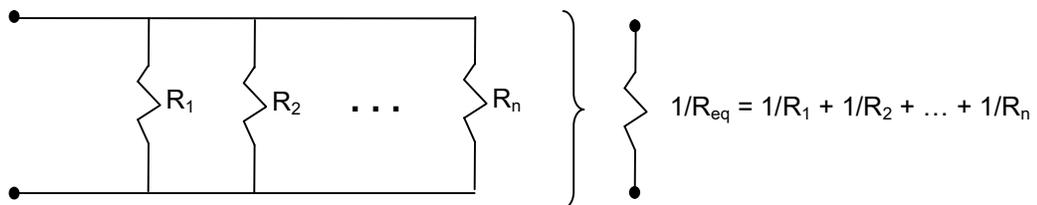
- Resistors in Series
 

Resistors in series can be replaced by an equivalent resistor that is the sum of all the resistors in series.

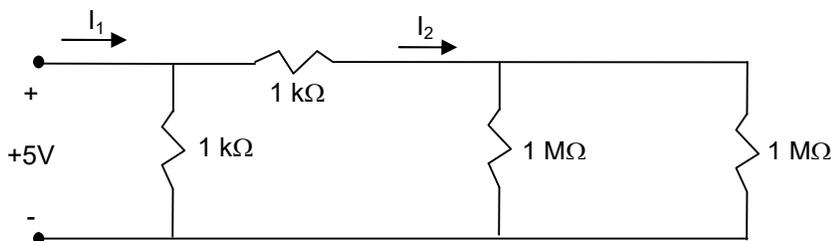


- Resistors in Parallel
 

Resistors in parallel can be replaced by an equivalent resistor as shown below:



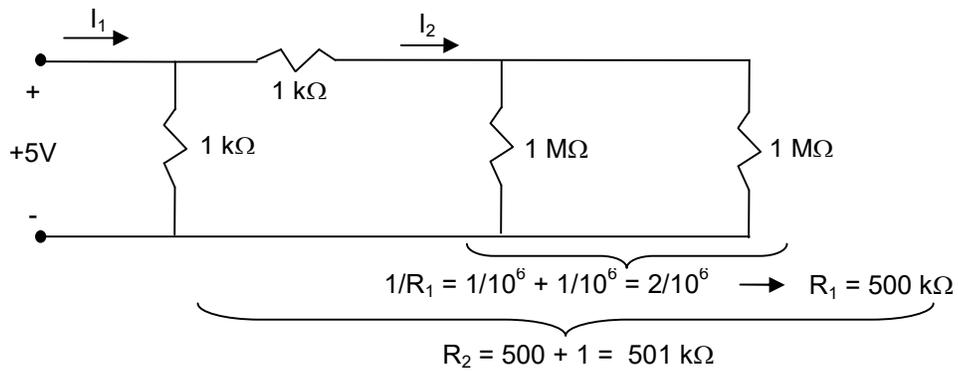
➤ Example  
Find values of  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  for the following circuit:



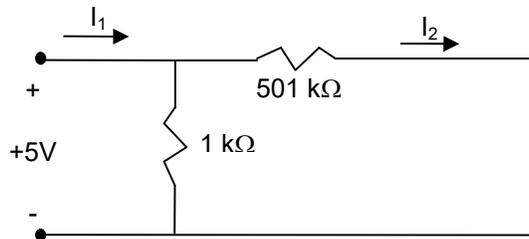
Solution:

- 1) Simplify the circuit by combining the two  $1 \text{ M}\Omega$  parallel resistors with the  $1 \text{ k}\Omega$  resistor that is in

series with them.



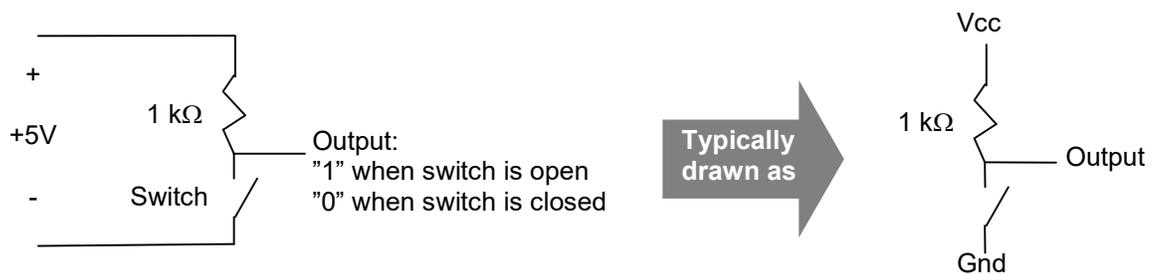
2) Redraw the circuit and apply Ohms law ( $V=I \cdot R$ ) to find currents.



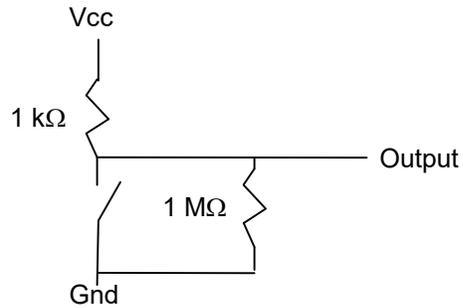
$I_1 = V / R = 5 / 1000 = 0.005 \text{ A} = 5 \text{ mA}$   
 $I_2 = V / R = 5 / 501000 = 0.00001 \text{ A} = 10 \text{ }\mu\text{A}$

*Note: The amount of current through each resistor is inversely proportional to the size of the resistors.*

➤ Using a switch to create logic 1 “+5 v” and logic 0 “Ground or 0 v”

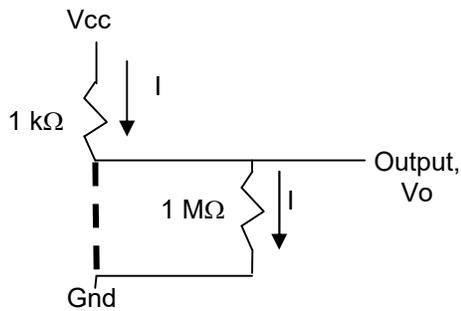


- What is the voltage at the output ( $v_o$ ) when the switch is Opened and closed in the following circuit:



Solution:

**Switch Open**

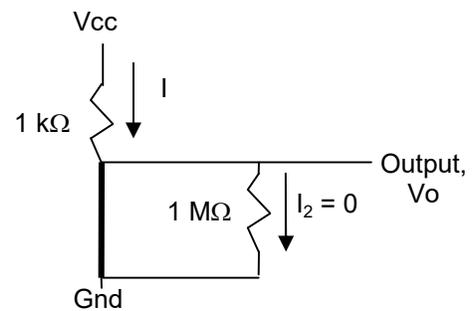


$$I = V/R = 5 / (1001 \times 10^3)$$

$$I \approx 5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ A}$$

$$V_o = 0 + 10^6 \times 5 \times 10^{-6} = 5\text{v}$$

**Switch Closed**



$V_o = 0$   
 "The output is directly Connected to Ground or 0 v"

## 1.11. Additional Resources

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 1 & 2. "introduction" & "Number Systems and Code"

## 1.12. Problems

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## Chapter 2. Boolean Algebra, Functions, and Minimization

### 2.1. Key concepts and Overview

- ❖ Logic Gates
- ❖ Huntington's First Set of Postulates
- ❖ Principle of Duality
- ❖ Boolean Functions
- ❖ Boolean Algebra Theorems
- ❖ Canonical or Standard Forms (Min-term and Max-term)
- ❖ Function Minimization
- ❖ Karnaugh Maps (K-Maps)
- ❖ Special Case: Don't Care Terms
- ❖ Exclusive OR Properties and Applications
- ❖ Additional Resources
- ❖ Problems

## 2.2. Logic Gates

- ❖ The rest of the class relies on two-valued Boolean Algebra, i.e.  $B = \{0, 1\}$ 
  - We use variables  $X, Y, Z, A, B, \dots$  and constants 0 and 1
    - \*\*Note “0” and “1” are also called identity elements
  - Binary operators
    - “+” called “OR”
      - “OR” symbol  $\rightarrow Z=X+Y$

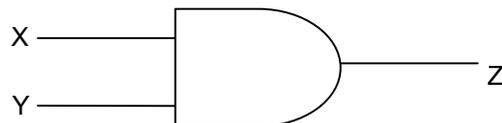


- “OR” truth table

X	Y	X+Y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

- Review the 74LS32 Data sheet on the website

- “.” called “AND”
  - AND symbol  $\rightarrow Z=X.Y$



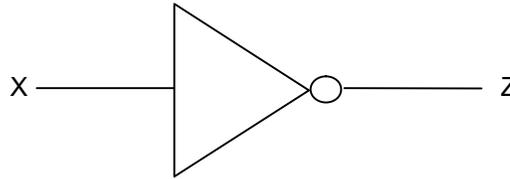
- “AND” truth table

X	Y	X.Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

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- “ $\bar{\phantom{x}}$ ” Called “NOT, Inversion, negation”

- “NOT” symbol  $\rightarrow Z = \overline{X} = X'$  (Also called the complement)



- “NOT” truth table

X	Z=X'
0	1
1	0

- Review the 74LS04 Data sheet on the website

- Order of Operation Precedence (Same as decimal arithmetic)

Highest to lowest order of Precedence for Binary Operator: “=”, “()”, “<sup>-</sup>”, “.”, “+”

Note:

- Parentheses are used to force the operation order sequence much like decimal Algebra.
- The equal sign “=” is same as decimal algebra for assignment.

- An expression is a combination of variables and binary operators  $Z + X \cdot Y + X$

- The number of Literal is the total occurrences of all variables in an expression.

For example  $f(x,y,z) = x + y \cdot x \cdot z + x' \cdot y' \cdot z$  is said to have 7 literals. The number of literals typically used as a measure of implementation complexity.

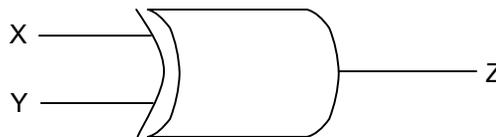
❖ Additional standard logic gates:

- NOR is an OR gate with the output negated  
Review the 74LS02 Data sheet on the website

- NAND is an AND gate with the output negated  
Review the 74LS00 Data sheet on the website

- XOR (also called “Module 2 add” or “exclusive or”)  $\rightarrow X \oplus Y = \overline{X} \cdot Y + X \cdot \overline{Y}$

- “XOR” Symbol



- “XOR” Truth Table

Review the 74LS86 Data sheet on the website

X	Y	$X \oplus Y$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

- When using three variables, the operation is performed on two at a time as shown below:  

$$X \oplus Y \oplus Z = (X \oplus Y) \oplus Z$$
- "XOR" is commonly used to check if there is an odd or even number of "1"s. This check is called "parity". Odd parity is when there are odd numbers of "1"s and even parity is when there are an even number of "1"s. Parity check is used for single bit error detection.

- XNOR (also called "equality coincidence" or "exclusive nor")  $\rightarrow \overline{X \oplus Y} = \overline{X} \cdot \overline{Y} + X \cdot Y$ .
  - "XNOR" Truth Table

X	Y	$\overline{X \oplus Y}$
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

- When using three variables, operation is performed on two at a time as shown below:  

$$\overline{X \oplus Y \oplus Z} = \overline{(X \oplus Y) \oplus Z}$$
- XNOR is not commonly available as a standard stand alone chip.

### 2.3. Huntington's First Set of Postulates

Postulates, Axioms or propositions are self-evident mathematical statements that are stated without proof. The following Postulates will be used to develop Boolean Algebra.

- ❖ P1a: If X and Y are in B, then  $X+Y$  is in B
- ❖ P1b: If X and Y are in B, then  $X \cdot Y$  is in B
  
- ❖ P2a: There is an element 0 such that  $X+0 = X$  for every variable X.
- ❖ P2b: There is an element 1 such that  $X \cdot 1 = X$  for every variable X.
  
- ❖ P3a:  $X+Y = Y+X$  (Commutative with respect to +)
- ❖ P3b:  $X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$  (Commutative with respect to .)
  
- ❖ P4a:  $X+Y \cdot Z = (X+Y) \cdot (X+Z)$  (+ is distributive over .)
- ❖ P4b:  $X \cdot (Y+Z) = X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z$  (. is distributive over +)
  
- ❖ P5: For every variable X, there is a variable  $\overline{X}$  such that
  - a:  $X + \overline{X} = 1$
  - b:  $X \cdot \overline{X} = 0$
  
- ❖ P6: There are at least two distinct elements in B.

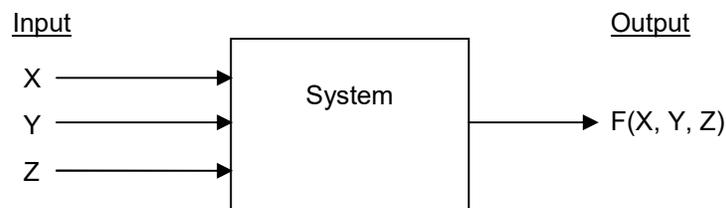
## 2.4. Principle of Duality

- ❖ Dual of an expression is obtained by:
  - Interchanging “0” and “1”
  - Interchanging “.” and “+”
- ❖  $(Exp)^D$  represent dual of (Exp) → examples:
  - $(X+0)^D = X.1$
  - $(X + Y.Z)^D = X.(Y+Z)$  \*\*\*Note: it is not equal to  $X.Y + Z$
- ❖ You may recognize that Huntington's first set of Postulates are true for duals (a and b of each postulate)

## 2.5. Boolean Functions

- ❖ Pure form
  - $X.Y.Z$  is called the product of terms when literals are ANDed together
  - $X+Y+Z$  is called the sum of terms when literals are ORed together
- ❖ Mixed forms
  - $(X+Y).(Z+Y+X) \rightarrow$  this form is called the product of sums form (POS form)
  - $X.Y + Y.Z \rightarrow$  this form is called the sum of products form (SOP form)
- ❖ Truth table for a function
  - Steps
    - Identify all possible combination of “1s” and “0s”. For an “n” variable function, there will  $2^n$  rows in the table counting from 0 to  $2^{(n-1)}$ .
    - Evaluate the output function value for each set of input variable values.
  - Example  
Draw a system diagram and generate a truth table for the function,  $F(X, Y, Z) = X.Y + Y.Z + Z'.Y$

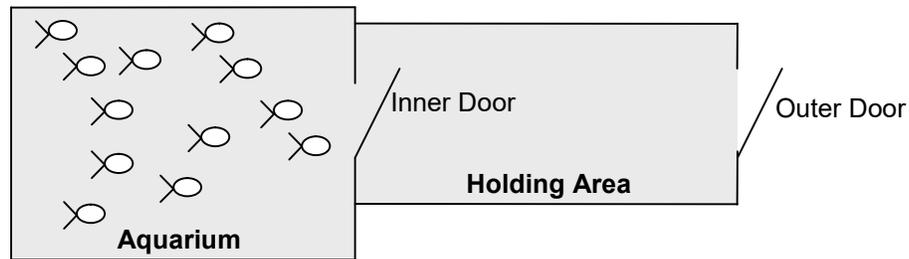
### System Diagram



### Truth Table

X	Y	Z	F(X,Y,Z)
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

- Example – Basics of Digital Logic  
Develop a system diagram and truth table for two gates that ensure only one fish leaves the Outer Door at any one time. Below is the physical diagram of the system:



- Holding Area has a sensor with 2 bit output  
( 00: empty, 01:one fish, 10 & 11: more than one fish)
- Each door has one input where logic "1" opens and logic "0" closes the door.

## 2.6. Boolean Algebra Theorems

### ❖ Purpose of Theorems

The Theorems & Huntington's Postulates are key in our ability to reduce the number of literal (variables) used in a function and therefore reduce the number of gates required to implement a given function. Sometimes they are used to simply rearrange the expression so it is easier to implement.

- Example:  $(X+Y) \cdot (X+\bar{Y})=X$   
It is clear that right-hand-side requires fewer gates to implement compared to the left hand side.

### ❖ Two methods available for proving theorems

- Prove through Boolean Algebra  
Use the Huntington's postulates or theorems already proved to show that both sides of theorem are the same.
- Prove through Truth Tables  
Show that for all possible values on the left hand-side is equal to the right-hand side of the equation. This method works well for a small number of variables.

### ❖ Theorems and proofs

- Theorem 1 "Double Complementation or Double Negation Theorem"

a)  $\overline{\overline{X}} = X$

- Theorem 2 "Idempotency Theorem"

a)  $X+X = X$

b)  $X \cdot X = X$

- Theorem 3 "Identity Element Theorem"

a)  $X + 1 = 1$

b)  $X \cdot 0 = 0$

- Theorem 4 "Absorption Theorem"

a)  $X + X \cdot Y = X$

b)  $X \cdot (X + Y) = X$

- Theorem 5 "Associative Theorem"

a)  $X + (Y + Z) = (X + Y) + Z$

b)  $X \cdot (Y \cdot Z) = (X \cdot Y) \cdot Z$

- Theorem 6 "Adjacency Theorem"

a)  $X \cdot Y + X \cdot \bar{Y} = X$

b)  $(X + Y) \cdot (X + \bar{Y}) = X$

- Theorem 7 "Consensus Theorem"

a)  $X \cdot Y + \bar{X} \cdot Z + Y \cdot Z = X \cdot Y + \bar{X} \cdot Z$

b)  $(X + Y) \cdot (\bar{X} + Z) \cdot (Y + Z) = (X + Y) \cdot (\bar{X} + Z)$

- Theorem 8 "Simplification Theorem"

a)  $X + \bar{X} \cdot Y = X + Y$

b)  $X \cdot (\bar{X} + Y) = X \cdot Y$

➤ Theorem 9 “DeMorgan’s Theorem (2-Variable form)”

a)  $\overline{X + Y} = \overline{X} \cdot \overline{Y}$

b)  $\overline{X \cdot Y} = \overline{X} + \overline{Y}$

➤ Theorem 10 “DeMorgan’s Theorem (General form)”

a)  $\overline{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n} = \overline{X_1} \cdot \overline{X_2} \cdot \dots \cdot \overline{X_n}$

b)  $\overline{X_1 \cdot X_2 \cdot \dots \cdot X_n} = \overline{X_1} + \overline{X_2} + \dots + \overline{X_n}$

❖ Example of two type of Proofs (Truth Table and Algebraic)

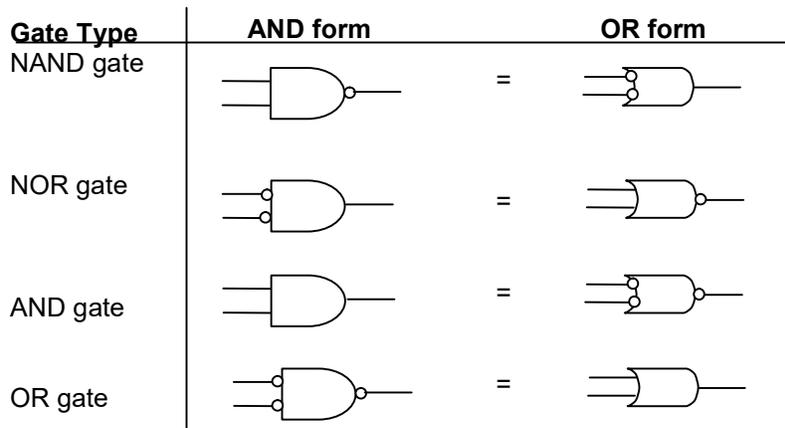
➤ Prove Theorem 8, “Simplification Theorem”.

Hint: Use truth table

➤ Prove Theorem 10, “DeMorgan’s Theorem (General form)”.

Hint: Apply Theorem 9.

❖ Utilizing Demorgan’s Theorem NAND and NOR gates may be represented using the other’s base signal as shown below (“not” circle indicates complement):



Transforming from one form to another requires only two steps:

- 1) Complement every input and output.
- 2) Swap OR and AND gates.

➤ Example: Design an XOR using only NAND gates.

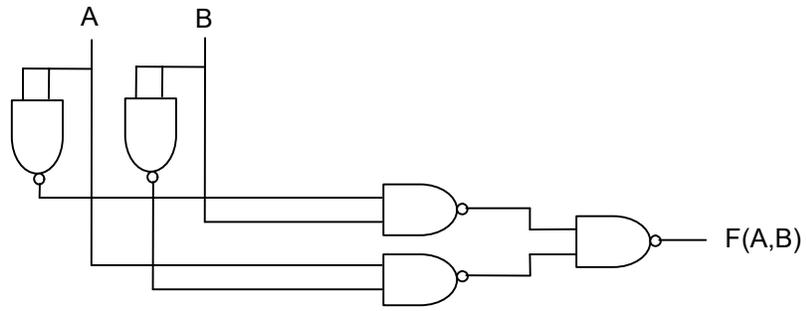
$F(A,B) = A \oplus B$

Solution:

$F(A,B) = A' \cdot B + B' \cdot A$

Apply conversion rules “Complement every input and output; Swap ORs and ANDs”

$F(A,B) = ((A' \cdot B)' \cdot (B' \cdot A)')$



## 2.7. Canonical or Standard Form of Functions

❖ Typically, a function has to be written in one of the two standard forms before the minimization step. The two standard forms are:

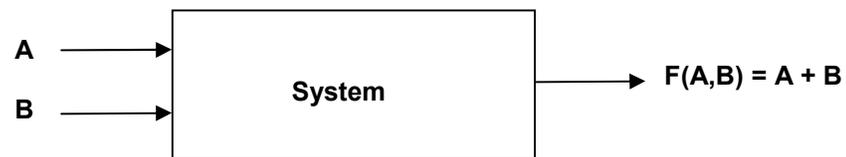
- Standard Sum of Products (SOP)
- Standard Product of Sums (POS)

❖ Obtaining Standard Sum of Products (SOP) Forms of Functions

In standard or canonical SOP form, all the variables are present in each product term.

- Example - for  $f(A,B) = A+B$

1) System Diagram



2) Write the Truth table to see all the possible value of  $F(A,B)$

Input		Output
A	B	$F(A,B)=A+B$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

3) Write the full product term for all the possible combinations

$$F(A,B) = F(0,0). \overline{A}\overline{B} + F(0,1). \overline{A}B + F(1,0). A\overline{B} + F(1,1). AB$$

$$F(A,B) = 0. \overline{A}\overline{B} + 1. \overline{A}B + 1. A\overline{B} + 1. AB$$

$$F(A,B) = 1. \overline{A}B + 1. A\overline{B} + 1. AB \rightarrow \text{Canonical or Standard Form}$$

A standard product or “min-term” is a product of all independent input variables for a function that corresponds to a row of the truth table with output of 1. For example,  $A\overline{B}$  is a min term in the above example.

- Let's take another example from problem statement to truth table to min-terms and the resulting sum of products.

Step 1) Understand the problem

Write out an expression for the function that is true, when 2 out of 3 inputs are true. Output is false for all other input combinations.

Step 2) Develop a truth table for the function

Input X Y Z	Standard Product Terms (min-terms)	Min-term Designators	Output F
0 0 0	$\overline{X}.\overline{Y}.\overline{Z}$	$m_0$	$F(0,0,0) = F_0 = 0$
0 0 1	$\overline{X}.\overline{Y}.Z$	$m_1$	$F(0,0,1) = F_1 = 0$
0 1 0	$\overline{X}.Y.\overline{Z}$	$m_2$	$F(0,1,0) = F_2 = 0$
0 1 1	$\overline{X}.Y.Z$	$m_3$	$F(0,1,1) = F_3 = 1$
1 0 0	$X.\overline{Y}.\overline{Z}$	$m_4$	$F(1,0,0) = F_4 = 0$
1 0 1	$X.\overline{Y}.Z$	$m_5$	$F(1,0,1) = F_5 = 1$
1 1 0	$X.Y.\overline{Z}$	$m_6$	$F(1,1,0) = F_6 = 1$
1 1 1	$XYZ$	$m_7$	$F(1,1,1) = F_7 = 0$

Note:

- 1) The min-term subscript corresponds to the binary value of the input.
- 2) All three independent input variables are present in each min-term.
- 3) When input is 1, the corresponding variable appears in the Min-term, otherwise the variable is complemented in the min-term.

Step 3) Write the algebraic function equivalent to the truth table by rule:

If the output function (F) is 1 for the "min-term", then the value appears in the algebraic form of the expression.

$$F(X, Y, Z) = F_0.m_0 + F_1.m_1 + F_2.m_2 + F_3.m_3 + F_4.m_4 + F_5.m_5 + F_6.m_6 + F_7.m_7$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^7 (F_i.m_i) \text{ Generalized compact Min-term form of the function}$$

$$= 0.m_0 + 0.m_1 + 0.m_2 + 1.m_3 + 0.m_4 + 1.m_5 + 1.m_6 + 0.m_7$$

$$F(X, Y, Z) = m_3 + m_5 + m_6 \quad \text{Compact min-term form of the function}$$

$$F(X, Y, Z) = \sum m(3,5,6) \quad \text{Explicit Compact Min-term form for 1s of the function}$$

$$F(X, Y, Z) = \sum (3,5,6) \quad \text{Implicit Compact Min-term form for 1s of the function}$$

By the way, the Not (Complement) of F can be written as (write the missing min-terms):

$$\overline{F}(X, Y, Z) = \sum m(0,1,2,4,7) \text{ Explicit Compact Min-term form for 0s of the original function}$$

$$\overline{F}(X, Y, Z) = \sum (0,1,2,4,7) \text{ Implicit Compact Min-term form for 0s of the original function}$$

- ❖ Obtaining the Standard Products of Sum (POS) Form of Functions  
Although POS is not used as much, there are times where the POS form is more efficient than SOP.
  - As the name applies, all three independent variables are present in either complemented or un-complemented form.

- For each pattern, if the independent variable value is 0, it is un-complemented, and if 1, it is complemented in the max-term which is the OR of all independent variables.

For example:  $X=1, Y=1, Z=0 \rightarrow M_6 = \bar{X} + \bar{Y} + Z$

- Each max-term will result in the output for that term being zero.

➤ Here is an example for a 3-input system:

Step 1) Understand the problem

Write the expression for a function that is true when more than 1 input is true, otherwise the function is 0.

Step 2) Develop a truth table for the function and write max-terms:

All independent variables must be present in each Max-term

\* It is complemented if the variable value is 1.

\* It is un-complemented if the variable value is 0.

Input X Y Z	Standard Sum Terms (Max-terms)	Max-term Designators	Output F
0 0 0	$X+Y+Z$	$M_0$	$F(0,0,0) = F_0 = 0$
0 0 1	$X + Y + \bar{Z}$	$M_1$	$F(0,0,1) = F_1 = 0$
0 1 0	$X + \bar{Y} + Z$	$M_2$	$F(0,1,0) = F_2 = 0$
0 1 1	$X + \bar{Y} + \bar{Z}$	$M_3$	$F(0,1,1) = F_3 = 1$
1 0 0	$\bar{X} + Y + Z$	$M_4$	$F(1,0,0) = F_4 = 0$
1 0 1	$\bar{X} + Y + \bar{Z}$	$M_5$	$F(1,0,1) = F_5 = 1$
1 1 0	$\bar{X} + \bar{Y} + Z$	$M_6$	$F(1,1,0) = F_6 = 1$
1 1 1	$\bar{X} + \bar{Y} + \bar{Z}$	$M_7$	$F(1,1,1) = F_7 = 1$

Step 3) Write the algebraic function equivalent to the truth table by rule:

For Compact Max-term Form:

If the Output function (F) is 0 for the max-term, then the value appears in the algebraic form of the expression.

$$F(X,Y,Z) = (F_0 + M_0) \cdot (F_1 + M_1) \cdot (F_2 + M_2) \cdot (F_3 + M_3) \cdot (F_4 + M_4) \cdot (F_5 + M_5) \cdot (F_6 + M_6) \cdot (F_7 + M_7)$$

$$= \prod_{i=0}^7 (F_i + M_i) \text{ Generalized compact max-term form of the function}$$

Note the when  $F_i=1$ , the max-term is not needed --- for our example:

$$F(X,Y,Z) = (0 + M_0) \cdot (0 + M_1) \cdot (0 + M_2) \cdot (1 + M_3) \cdot (0 + M_4) \cdot (1 + M_5) \cdot (1 + M_6) \cdot (1 + M_7)$$

$$F(X,Y,Z) = M_0 \cdot M_1 \cdot M_2 \cdot M_4 \text{ Compact Max-term form of the function}$$

Other forms:

$$F(X,Y,Z) = \Pi M(0,1,2,4) \text{ Explicit Compact max-term form for 1s of the function}$$

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➤ The Not (Complement) of F can be written by writing the missing max-terms for Un-complemented F:

$$\overline{F}(X,Y,Z) = \Pi M(3,5,6,7) \quad \text{Explicit Compact max-term form for 0s of the function}$$

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❖ Relationship between Min-terms and Max-terms

Min-terms and Max-terms are complements of each other :  $\overline{M_i} = m_i$  and  $M_i = \overline{m_i}$

➤ DeMorgan's Theorem is key to proving the min-term/max-term relationship:

$$a) \overline{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n} = \overline{X_1} \cdot \overline{X_2} \cdot \dots \cdot \overline{X_n}$$

$$b) \overline{\overline{X_1} \cdot \overline{X_2} \cdot \dots \cdot \overline{X_n}} = \overline{\overline{X_1}} + \overline{\overline{X_2}} + \dots + \overline{\overline{X_n}}$$

➤ Examples:

Given max-term  $M_6 = \overline{X} + \overline{Y} + Z$ , find min-term  $m_6$ .

1) Since it is a max-term, when  $X=1, Y=1$  and  $Z=0$  Then  $F(X,Y,Z) = 0$

2) To convert to Min-term we can apply DeMorgan's Theorem which in practice is **dividing up the overbar**. This means that the cross bar can be divided across its subpart while accepting the rules:

$$\overline{+} = \cdot \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{\cdot} = +$$

Let's see how it applies to our example.

We know that  $\overline{M_i} = m_i$  and  $M_i = \overline{m_i}$  so

$$\text{Min-term} = m_i = \overline{\overline{\overline{X} + \overline{Y} + Z}} = \overline{\overline{\overline{X}} \cdot \overline{\overline{Y}} \cdot \overline{\overline{Z}}} = X \cdot Y \cdot \overline{Z}$$

➤ Example: Apply the overbar to finding Complement of F if  $F(X,Y,Z) = (\overline{X} + Y) \cdot (\overline{Y} + \overline{Z})$

Solution:

Apply the DeMorgan's Theorem in the form of "Dividing up the Overbar".

$$\overline{F(X,Y,Z)} = \overline{(\overline{X} + Y) \cdot (\overline{Y} + \overline{Z})} = \overline{\overline{\overline{X} + Y}} \cdot \overline{\overline{\overline{Y} + \overline{Z}}} = (\overline{\overline{X}} \cdot \overline{\overline{Y}}) + (\overline{\overline{Y}} \cdot \overline{\overline{\overline{Z}}}) = (X \cdot \overline{Y}) + (Y \cdot Z) = X \cdot \overline{Y} + Y \cdot Z$$

➤ Example

Write Standard SOP and POS form for  $f(x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0) = \sum(0,7,12,15)$

Solution:

❖ Converting between compact forms of functions

- We can extend the relationship between max-terms and min-terms to include SOP (Sum of Products) and Products of Sum (POS):

$$\overline{M_i} = m_i \quad \text{and} \quad M_i = \overline{m_i}$$

$$\overline{\prod} = \sum \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{\sum} = \prod$$

- Example:

Write the  $F(A,B,C) = \prod(0,3,5,6)$  in the compact min-term form.

We know that  $\sum = \overline{\prod}$  Therefore

$$\overline{F(A, B, C)} = \sum(0,3,5,6) = \overline{\prod(0,3,5,6)} = \overline{(A + B + C).(A + \overline{B} + \overline{C}).(\overline{A} + B + \overline{C}).(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + C)}$$

Since these terms are the 0's of the function, if we write the Min-terms that are not present then we will have the 1's of the function:

$$F(A, B, C) = \sum(1,2,4,7) = \overline{A}.\overline{B}.C + \overline{A}.B.\overline{C} + A.\overline{B}.\overline{C} + A.B.C$$

- Example

Use only NAND gates to implement  $f(a_2, a_1, a_0) = a_2.a_1.a_0 + a_2.a_1'.a_0' + a_2'.a_1'.a_0$

Solution:

- Example

Use only NOR gates to implement  $f(a_2, a_1, a_0) = (a_2 + a_1 + a_0)' + (a_2 + a_1' + a_0)' + (a_2' + a_1 + a_0)$

Solution:

## 2.8. Methods of Function Minimization (reducing the number of literals in an expression)

It is important to minimize the function prior to implementation. Minimization of literals and operators reduces the number of gates needed to implement the function therefore reducing the cost of implementation. In this section Systematic Algebraic Reduction (SAR) minimization techniques will be discussed. The SAR technique is effective for automation but tedious for human use. On the other hand, Karnaugh Map (K-Map) that will be discussed later is a visual tool that is more effect for human use to minimize functions.

❖ Systematic Algebraic Reduction (SAR) technique uses algebraic theorems and postulates. Although you could start applying various algorithms until you find one that reduces the function, our goal is to introduce systematic techniques that can be described in a step-by-step process (algorithm) and consistently applied.

➤ Usage

Most Computer Aided Design (CAD) packages use the SAR technique for function minimization. Although SAR is not guaranteed to reduce the function to a minimum, it is the most effective algorithm available.

➤ Process

Here is the step-by-step algorithm for a Systematic Algebraic Reduction(SAR):

(1) Expand the function into its Standard sum of products (SOP) form  
(Include all variables; writing variables in order in all terms makes it easier to recognize patterns.)

(2) Compare all pairs of products for:

(a) Adjacency Theorem: " $exp1.exp2 + exp1.\overline{exp2} = exp1$ "

and

(b) Idempotency Theorem: " $exp+ exp = exp$ "

\*\*Note: The reduction process may have to be repeated a number of times.

(3) Once you have done all reductions possible in step 2, See if the Consensus Theorem applies

$$exp1.exp2 + \overline{exp1}.exp3 + exp2.exp3 = exp1.exp2 + \overline{exp1}.exp3$$

➤ Example: Using SAR, minimize the function  $F = (A + B + C).(\overline{A} + C).(\overline{B} + C)$

Solution:

1) Use the truth table to derive the min-terms

A	B	C	F
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

2) Write the function in compact Min-term form

$$F = \overline{A}\overline{B}C + \overline{A}B.C + A.\overline{B}.C + A.B.C$$

- 3) Apply Adjacency Theorem to all pairs as possible.  
 (another way is drawing double head arrows showing relationship between two terms)

$$(Term1 \& 2) \rightarrow \overline{A}\overline{B}C + \overline{A}B.C = \overline{A}C$$

$$(Term1 \& 3) \rightarrow \overline{A}\overline{B}C + A.\overline{B}.C = \overline{B}C$$

$$(Term1 \& 4) \rightarrow \text{Not - Applicable}$$

$$(Term2 \& 3) \rightarrow \text{Not - Applicable}$$

$$(Term2 \& 4) \rightarrow \overline{A}B.C + A.B.C = B.C$$

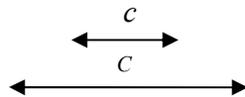
$$(Term3 \& 4) \rightarrow A.\overline{B}.C + A.B.C = A.C$$

Therefore:

$$F = \overline{A}C + \overline{B}C + B.C + A.C$$

- 4) Perform a second pass of Adjacency theorem.

$$F = \overline{A}C + \overline{B}C + B.C + A.C$$



Therefore:

$$F = C + C = C$$

In this case we did not need to apply the Consensus Theorem since the answer cannot be simplified further.

- In general, Systematic Algebraic Reduction (SAR) methods are best suited for computer programming. K-maps, which will be described in the next section are best suited for human use up to 4 variables since it is graphic.

## 2.9. Karnaugh-map or K-map

K-map is the best tool for minimization of five or fewer variables functions for humans. K-maps are graphic and require pattern-matching which is one of human's strongest abilities. Many believe that humans solve problems by creative pattern-matching.

- K-map is a number of squares which are labeled using reflective gray code (each code is only 1 change from an adjacent code). For a given square, the user enters 0 or 1 corresponding to the function value at the inputs represented by the labels.
- Here are K-map examples for 2, 3, and 4 Variables:

		B	
		0	1
A	0	0	0
	1	0	1

F(A,B)  
2-Variables

		C	
		0	1
AB	00	1	0
	01	0	0
	11	0	1
	10	0	0

F(A,B,C)  
3-Variables

		CD			
		00	01	11	10
AB	00	1	1	0	1
	01	0	0	1	0
	11	1	1	0	1
	10	1	0	0	1

F(A,B,C,D)  
4-Variables

- Each of the squares will contain a 1 if the function is 1 (min-term locations) and 0 otherwise. You may also use "-", which reflects the "don't care" (can be 0 or 1, whichever gives us the lowest Literal Count, LC).

The Literal Count (LC) is proportional to the number of gates needed during the implementation, so the less the better.

- Here is the location of each min-term on a Karnaugh-Map:

A B C D	Min-term, m
0 0 0 0	0
0 0 0 1	1
0 0 1 0	2
0 0 1 1	3
0 1 0 0	4
0 1 0 1	5
0 1 1 0	6
0 1 1 1	7
1 0 0 0	8
1 0 0 1	9
1 0 1 0	10
1 0 1 1	11
1 1 0 0	12
1 1 0 1	13
1 1 1 0	14
1 1 1 1	15

		B	
		0	1
A	0	0	1
	1	2	3

F(A,B)=AB  
2-Variables

		C	
		0	1
AB	00	0	1
	01	2	3
	11	6	7
	10	4	5

F(A,B,C)  
3-Variables

		CD			
		00	01	11	10
AB	00	0	1	3	2
	01	4	5	7	6
	11	12	13	15	14
	10	8	9	11	10

F(A,B,C,D)  
4-Variables

➤ Example: Use K-map to minimize  $F(A,B,C) = \overline{A}\overline{B}C + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + A\overline{B}\overline{C} + A.B.C$

Solution:

1. Use a truth table to identify all the Min-terms (Over time you can do this mentally, so it would not be necessary to draw it).

A	B	C	F	Min-term, $m_i$
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	2
0	1	1	1	3
1	0	0	0	4
1	0	1	1	5
1	1	0	0	6
1	1	1	1	7

2. Fill in the K-map:

- a. Select the K-Map that matches the number of variables in your function, (3 for the Example)
- b. Draw the K-map (remember the labels are reflective Gray Code)
- c. Enter the value of the function for the corresponding min-term. If the value of the function is unspecified then enter – which means don't care.

	C		
		0	1
AB		0	1
00		0	1
01		0	1
11		0	1
10		0	1

F(A,B,C)  
3-Variables

3. The next step is to group as many neighboring ones as possible. Cells with one variable is complemented are referred to as neighboring cells:
  - a. Grouping adjacent min-terms (boxes) is applying the Adjacency theorem graphically, i.e.

$$\overline{A}.C + A.C = C.$$

- b. The goal is to get as large a grouping of 1s as possible (Must form a full rectangle – cannot group diagonally)

		C	
		0	1
AB	00	0	1
	01	0	1
	11	0	1
	10	0	1

F(A,B,C)  
3-Variables

4. For each identified group, look to see which variable has a unique value. In this case,  $F(A,B,C) = C$  since F's value is not dependent on the value of A and B.

❖ More K-map related definitions:

➤ Example: A function with the following K-Map

		CD			
		00	01	11	10
AB	00	1	1	0	0
	01	0	1	1	0
	11	0	1	1	0
	10	1	0	0	0

F(A,B,C,D)  
4-Variables

➡ Minimized function =  $\overline{B.C.D} + B.D + \overline{A.B.C}$

- An **Implicant** is the product term where the function is evaluated to 1 or complemented to 0. An Implicant implies the term of the function is 1 or complemented to 0. Each square with a 1 for the function is called an implicant (p). If the complement of the function is being discussed, then 0's are called implicants (r).  
*Note: To find the complement of F, apply the same rules to 0 entries in the K-map instead of 1.*
- A **Prime Implicant** of a function is a rectangular (each side is powers of 2) group of product terms that is not completely contained in a single larger implicant.
- An **Essential Prime Implicant** of a function is a product term that provides the only coverage for a given min-term and must be used in the set of product terms to express a given function in minimum form.
- An **Optional Prime Implicant** of a function is a product term that provides an alternate covering for a given Min-term and may be used in the set of product terms to express a function in a minimum form. Some functions can be represented in a minimum form in more than one way because of optional prime implicants.
- A **Redundant Prime Implicant** or **Nonessential Prime Implicant** of a function is a product term that represents a square that is completely covered by other essential or optional prime

Implicants.

- ❖ Example: Write the minimized SOP function represented by the following K-Map

		CD			
AB		00	01	11	10
00		1	1	0	1
01		1	1	0	0
11		0	0	1	1
10		1	0	1	1

Solution:

- ❖ Example:  
use K-map to write the minimized SOP and POS forms of the following function:

$$F(A, B, C, D, E) = \sum(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,24,25,26,27)$$

Solution:

Example:

use K-map to write the minimized SOP and POS forms of the following function:

$$F(A, B, C, D, E) = \prod(0,2,8,10,13,15)$$

Solution:

## 2.10. Special Case: “Don’t Care” Terms

- ❖ In K-map, we can use the unspecified values of a function “don’t care” as 1 or 0, allowing us to create larger cubes to write products with smaller Literal Count (LCs)
  - Example:  $F(W,X,Y,Z)$  with unspecified values (don’t cares, “-“)

		YZ			
		00	01	11	10
WX	00	0	1	-	-
	01	1	1	-	0
	11	1	0	1	1
	10	0	-	1	0

We have an option of assuming “-“ as 0 or 1 whichever ends up with a lower Literal Count (LC) and therefore lower hardware (gates) cost during the implementation phase. Here is one minimized function representing the K-Map function:

		YZ			
		00	01	11	10
WX	00	0	1	-	-
	01	1	1	-	0
	11	1	0	1	1
	10	0	-	1	0

$$F(W,X,Y,Z) = X\bar{Y}\bar{Z} + \bar{W}Z + YZ + WXY$$

For this function the Literal Count (LC) is 10.

Sometimes it makes sense to use the 0s and write the complement to get a lower LC.

		YZ			
		00	01	11	10
WX	00	0	1	-	-
	01	1	1	-	0
	11	1	0	1	1
	10	0	-	1	0

$$\bar{F}(W,X,Y,Z) = W\bar{Y}Z + \bar{X}\bar{Z} + \bar{W}Y$$

For this function, the Literal Count (LC) is 7.

Function in POS form

$$F(W,X,Y,Z) = (W'+Y+Z).(X+Z).(W+Y')$$

- Representing “don’t care” min-terms in compact form.
  - $\sum md(1,4,5) \rightarrow$  “md” refers to “don’t care” min-terms.

## 2.11. XOR Properties and Applications

❖ K-map patterns

Checkerboard pattern: alternating cells and diagonal cells of 1s and 0s on a K-map is a sign of XOR or XNOR.

AB\C	0	1
00	0	1
01	1	0
11	0	1
10	1	0

Checkerboard pattern

$$F = A \oplus B \oplus C$$

AB\C	0	1
00	0	1
01	1	0
11	0	0
10	0	0

Diagonal Cells

$$F = \overline{A} \cdot (B \oplus C)$$

AB\C	0	1
00	0	0
01	1	1
11	0	0
10	1	1

Alternating Cells

$$F = A \oplus B$$

➤ XOR properties:

- Commutative

$$A \oplus B \oplus C = C \oplus B \oplus A$$

- Associative

$$A \oplus (B \oplus C) = (C \oplus B) \oplus A$$

- Rubber band effect (The bar can be put anywhere and the result remains unchanged)

$$A \oplus B = \overline{A} \oplus \overline{B} = \overline{\overline{A} \oplus \overline{B}} = \overline{A \oplus B}$$

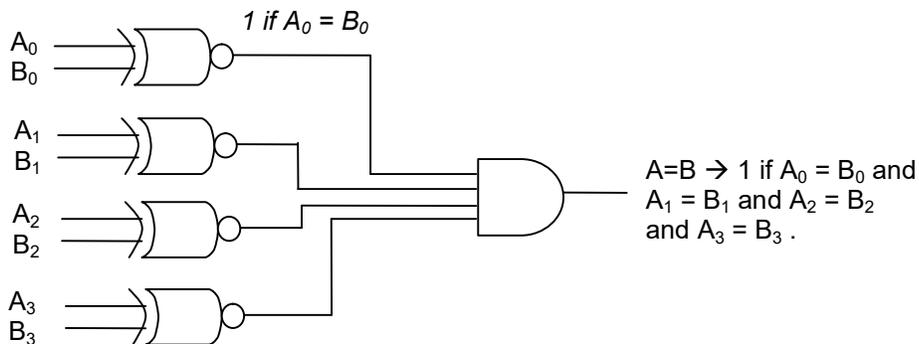
- XOR is 1 when there is an odd number of 1's in the XOR operands

*Note: This feature is used to do single bit error checking, which is adding an extra bit to the data to ensure that the number of 1's is odd. (This is known as odd parity).*

- XNOR is 1 when there is an even number of 1's in the XNOR operands

*Note that this feature is used to do single bit error checking, which is adding an extra bit to the data to ensure that the number of 1's is even. (This is known as even parity).*

- XNOR 4-bit Comparator Design



## 2.12. Additional Resources

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 4 “Combinational Logic Design Principles”

### **2.13. Problems**

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## **Chapter 3. Analyzing and Synthesizing Combinational Logic Circuits**

### **3.1. Key concepts and Overview**

- ❖ Standard Logic and Schematic Layout
- ❖ Designing Logic Circuits
- ❖ Compressing Truth Tables & K-Maps
- ❖ Glitches and Hazards
- ❖ Types of Functions and Delays
- ❖ Beyond Standard Logic (Encoders, Decoders, PLD, GAL, ROM, PROM, ...)
- ❖ Additional Resources
- ❖ Problems

### 3.2. Standard Logic and Schematic Layout (Review)

This section describes Small Scale Integration circuits which are commonly used for smaller projects. It also provides an understanding of the basics of computer design.

Basically, computers regardless of complexity, can be designed using these simple gates as building blocks. We will start by discussing the most fundamental gates which are AND, OR and NOT.

#### ❖ AND Function ( $F=A.B$ )

##### ➤ Truth Table

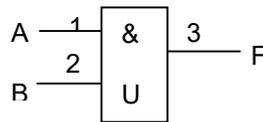
A	B	F
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0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

##### ➤ Symbols & Operation

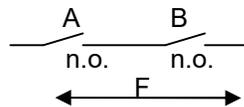
- Recommendation is to use the shapes for simple gates; and box (non-shape) for more complex logic
- When using in a schematic mark the IC ID (D#) and Pin # on the schematics
- A couple of other representations using switches (Relays, Transistors)



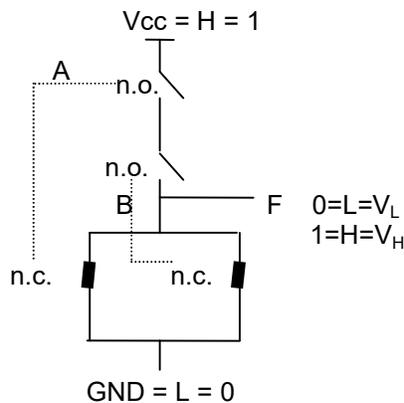
IEEE: Shape Distinctive Graphics



IEC: Non-Shape Distinctive Graphics Symbol



Pass Logic Switching Circuit  
0: Button is Not pressed  
1: Button is pressed



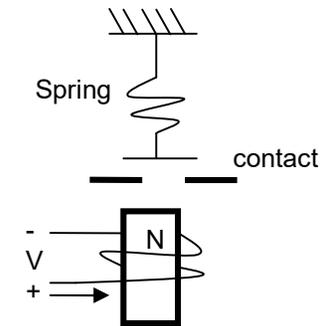
Regenerative Logic Switching Circuit

0=L=V<sub>L</sub>  
1=H=V<sub>H</sub>

❖ Different Switches

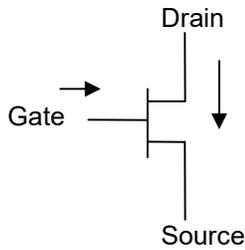
Instead of mechanical switches, we can also use electronic switches:

- A normally open (n.o.) switch is closed when pressed.



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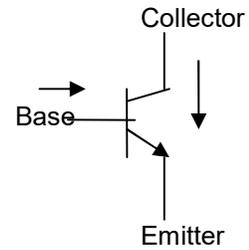
When Current Flows the Relay closes



**NMOS FET as n.o.**

Positive Channel Metal Oxide Semiconductor

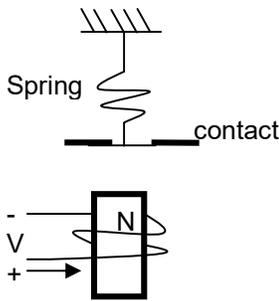
Field Effect Transistor



**NPN BJT as n.o.**

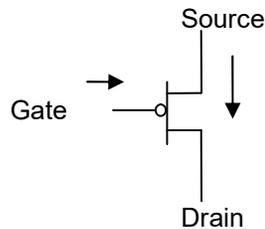
Bipolar Junction Transistors

- A normally close (n.c.) switch is open when pressed



**Relay as n.c.**

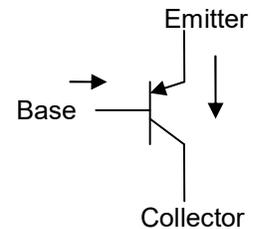
When Current Flows the Relay opens



**PMOS FET as n.c.**

Négative Channel Métal Oxide Semiconductor

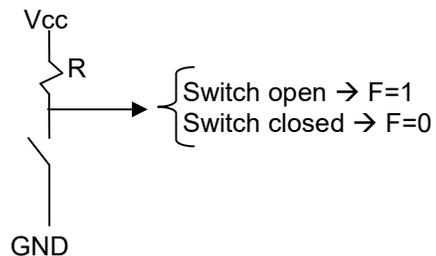
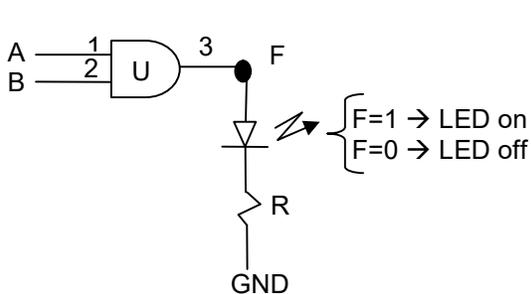
Field Effect Transistor



**PNP BJT as n.c.**

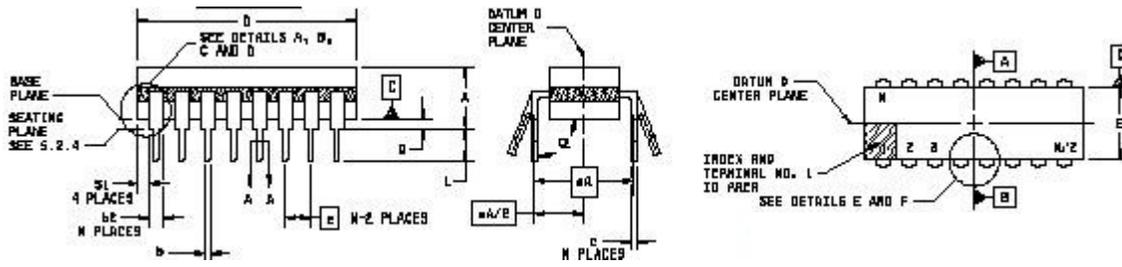
Bipolar Junction Transistors

❖ Example of setting up a LED and a switch

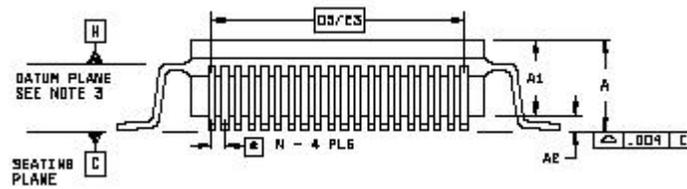


Note: Typically  $R=1\text{ k}\Omega$  is used.

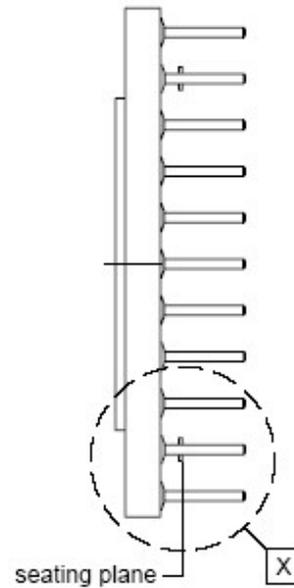
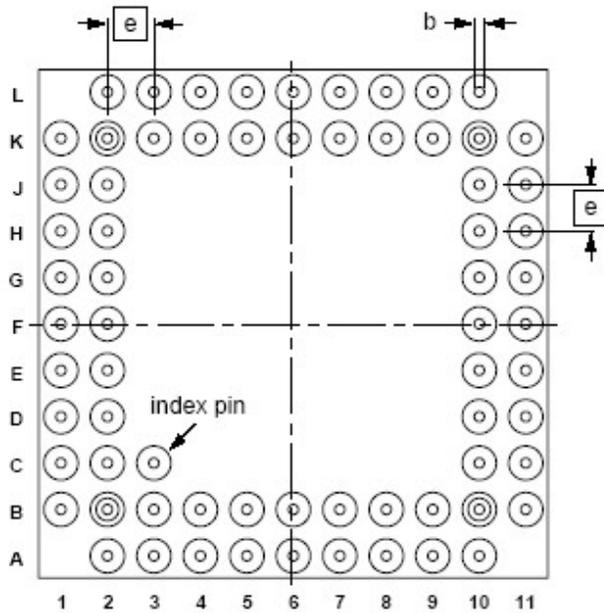
❖ Physical packaging



Through Hole Device ( 2 to 100 pins)



Surface Mount Device Package (2 to 100 pins)



PIN Grid Array (>100 pins)

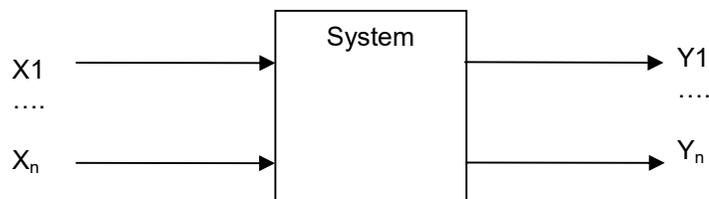
❖ Number of possible functions for an n-variable input equals  $2^{(2^n)}$

For example, a device with 2 input may have one of the possible  $2^{(2^2)} = 2^4 = 16$  functions.

2-Input X Y	F0	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	F7	F8	F9	F10	F11	F12	F13	F14	F15
0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0 1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1 0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1 1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
	GND	And						OR								Vcc

❖ Analyzing Logic Circuits

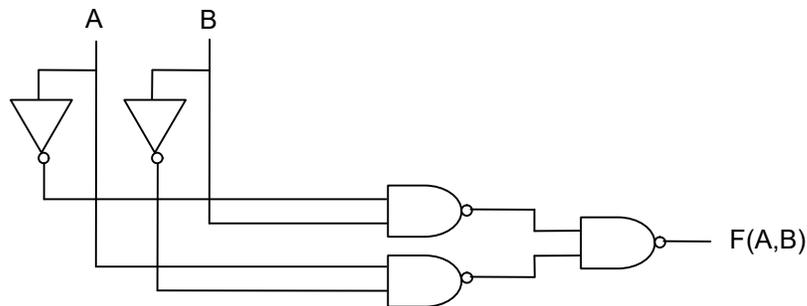
- Draw a system diagram and identify input/output signals



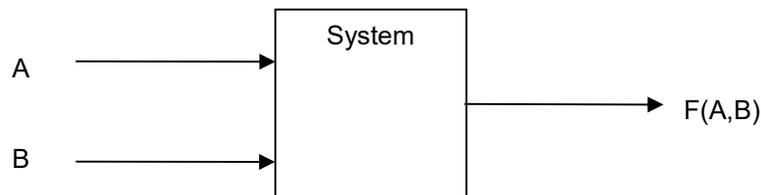
- Based on the schematic, write out the Boolean algebraic equation  $f(x, y, z) = ?$
- Based on the equation, do the K-map or truth table
- Review the truth table to understand the function of the circuit

➤ Example

Analyze the following circuit:



- System Diagram



- Algebraic equation  
 $F(A,B) = \{(A'.B)'.(A.B)'\}'$

- Truth Table

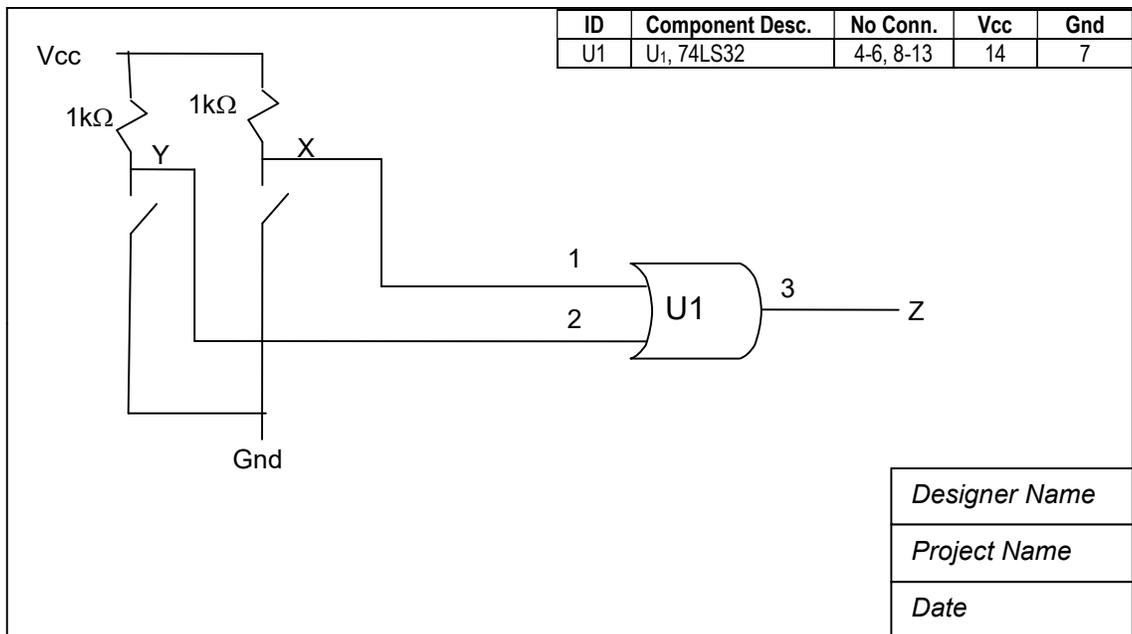
<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>F(A,B)</u>
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

- This circuit is implementing an exclusive OR.

### 3.3. Designing Logic Circuits

The process of combinational logic design is best described in six steps:

- 1) Draw the system diagram and identify input and output variables.
- 2) Write out the truth table for the function.
- 3) Use K-maps or CAD to minimize the function and write the algebraic function.
- 4) Identify the logic gates required and draw the schematic to implement the terms of the algebraic function. The schematic should include:
  - Designer and project name.
  - Component identification and pin numbers.
  - List of all the pins that are connected to Vcc and Ground, and are not use.
 All Connecting lines must be either vertical or horizontal (No diagonal or curved lines). Additionally, a dot is used to mark an actual connection when two lines cross over each other.



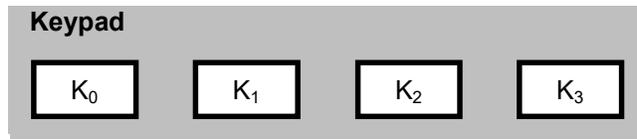
*Note: Hardware Description languages such as VHDL or Verilog HDL or State CAD by Visual Software Solutions, can also be used to document the design.*

- 5) Implement (pay attention to layout and ease of support/use).
- 6) Test (each design must have a test plan).

Remember that the design process is an iterative process; it is important to use the learning from later steps of the design process to improve earlier work. The best designs typically have many design iterations before the final design has been completed.

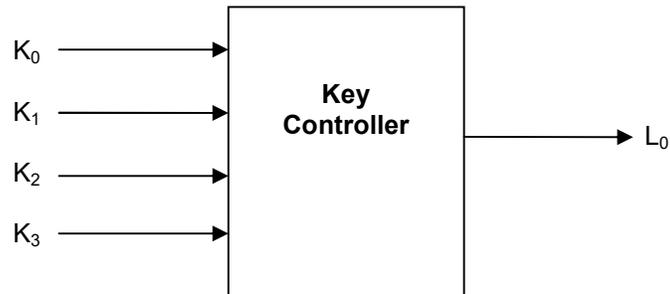
➤ **Example**

Design a 4-key digital lock that can be opened only when every other keys are pressed.



Solution:

- 1) Draw the system diagram and Identify input and output variables..



- Input and output value definition:  
 $K_i = 1$  when key "i" is pressed and  $K_i = 0$  when key "i" is not pressed.  
 $L_0 = 1$  causes the lock to open

- 2) Write out the truth table for the function:

Input				Output
$K_0$	$K_1$	$K_2$	$K_3$	$L_0$
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0

- 3) Use K-map or CAD to minimize the function and write the algebraic function.



- ❖ Fan-out and Fan-in
  - 1) Fan-out: The number of gate inputs that can be driven by a single output (for LS chips. the fan-out limit is 20)
  - 2) Fan-in: The number of gate inputs that may be connected together. Typically, fan-out is the limitation factor for LS.

- ❖ Using NAND or NOR gates
 

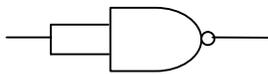
NAND and NOR gates can be substituted for each other. Basically, NOR implements POS and NAND implements SOP. A function can equally be written as POS or SOP.

We will explore NAND gates here and similar concepts also apply to NOR gates.

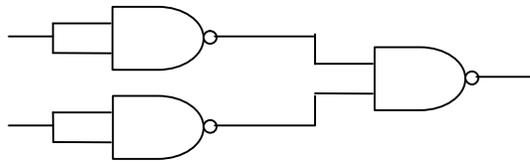
- NAND is one the most desirable basic gates for three reasons:

- 1) NAND gates are faster than other gates such as AND.
- 2) NAND gates can be used to make all other gates such as inverters, ANDs and ORs (Demorgan's Theorem is the basis of this statement.)

Therefore NAND is said to be "functionally complete" since it can be used to build any other function. Below are examples of Inverter and OR function implementation.



INVERTER

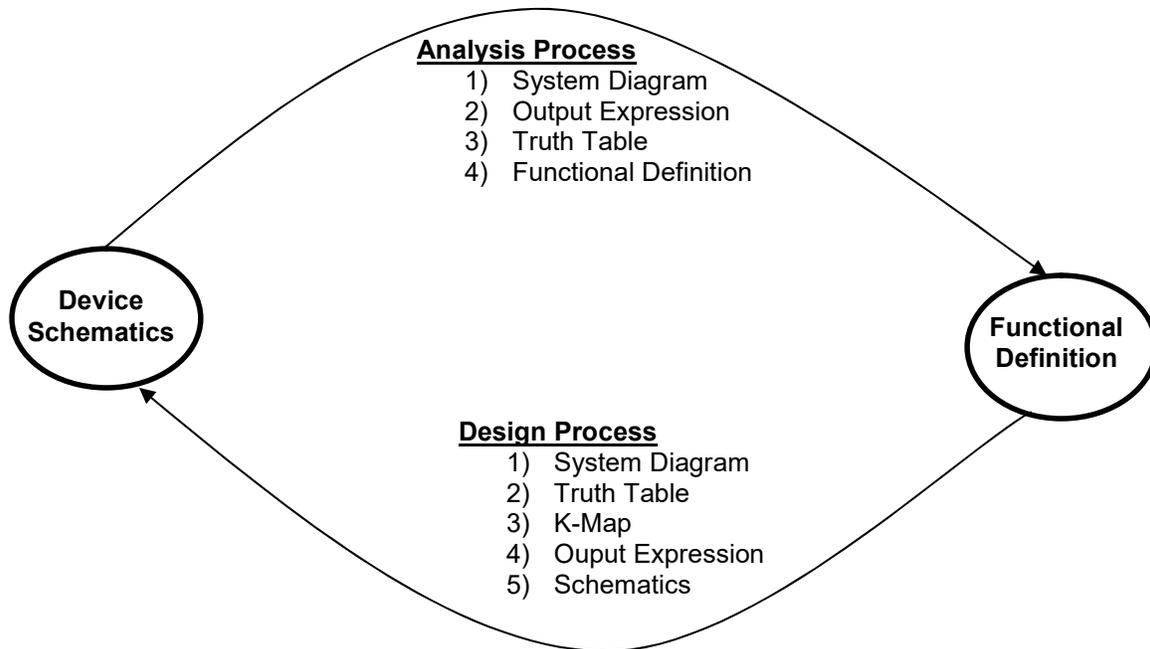


OR

- 3) NANDs are available in more variety (#of input) than AND, OR gates

### 3.4. Combinational Logic Analysis and Design

Below is a summary of design and analysis process steps for a combinational logic device:



### 3.5. Compressing Truth Tables and K-maps

- ❖ The process of compressing truth tables.
  - Truth table compression is done by:
    - 1) Row compression(use OR function).

A	B	F2	F2 <sub>c</sub>
0	0	0	F2(0,B)=0
0	1	0	
1	0	1	F2(1,B)= $\overline{B}$
1	1	0	

In the above table, we are applying Shannon's Expansion Theorem  
 $F2' = \overline{B}.F(B=0) + B..F(B=1) = \overline{B}.1 + B.0 = \overline{B}$  which can be compressed to

A	F2 <sub>c</sub>
0	0
1	$\overline{B}$

- 2) In general, any truth table can be compressed by applying the Shannon's Expansion Theorem with respect to the least significant bit, as shown below:

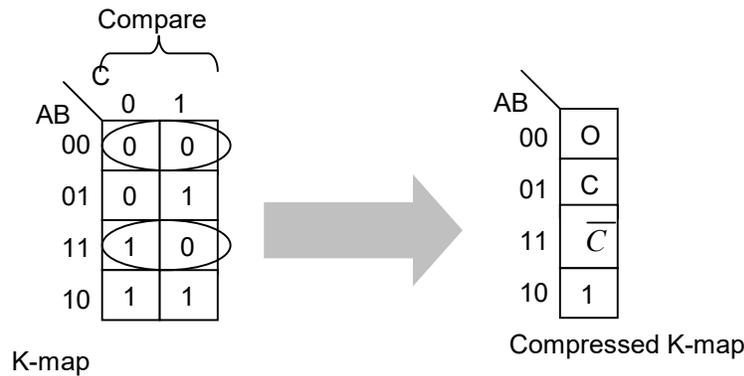
A	B	C	F3	F3 <sub>c</sub>
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	
0	1	0	0	C
0	1	1	1	
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	
1	1	0	1	$\overline{C}$
1	1	1	0	

So we can compress it to

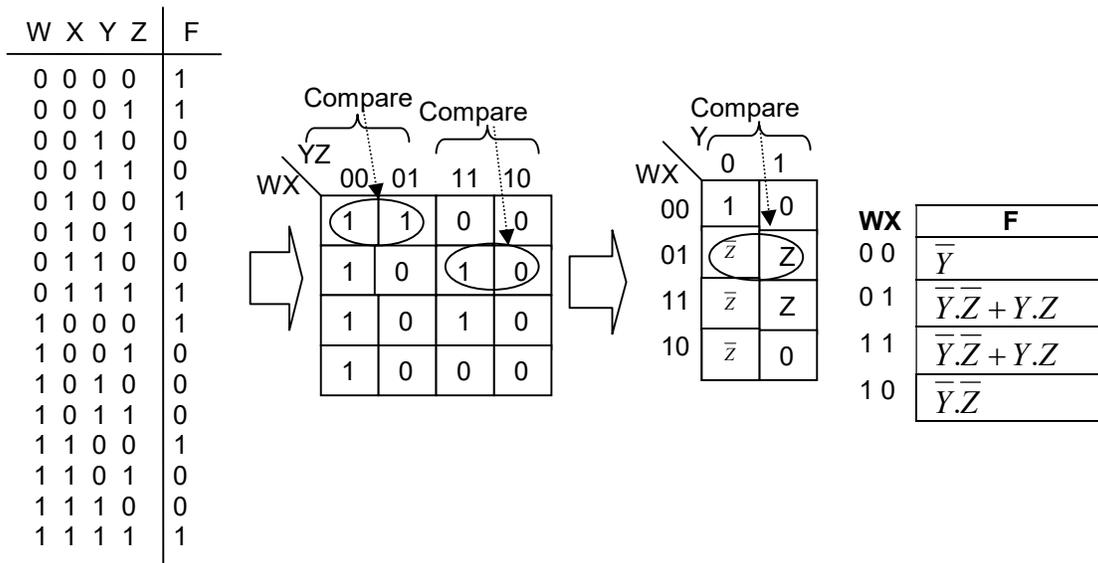
A	B	F3 <sub>c</sub>
0	0	0
0	1	C
1	0	1
1	1	$\overline{C}$

- Example  
 Compress function  $F(x,y,z) = \Sigma(1,3,6,7)$ :
  - a) about z
  - b) about x
  - a) about x, y & z

- The concept of compressing around a variable using Shannon's Expansion Theorem also applies to K-maps. The example below uses C as the reference variable:



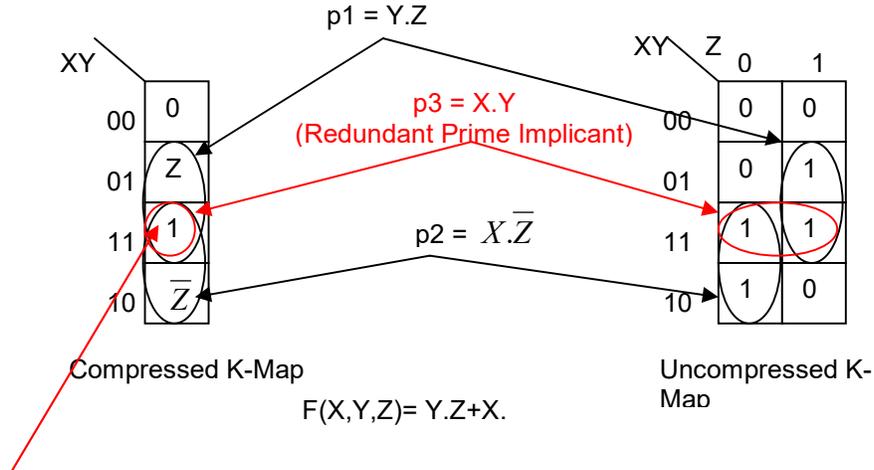
- 4-variable (multivariable) expression of K-map Compression.



❖ Plotting, Filling, and Reducing Compressed K-maps

- The steps to compress a K-map are:
  - (1) Plot the truth table and then compressed K-map.
  - (2) Choose cube sizes that result in minimum expressions for the function by covering each map-entered variable separately, treating other map-entered variables as 0s and all 1s as "don't cares".
  - (3) Choose cube sizes that result in minimum expressions for the function by covering the 1s in the map that are not complementary-covered.

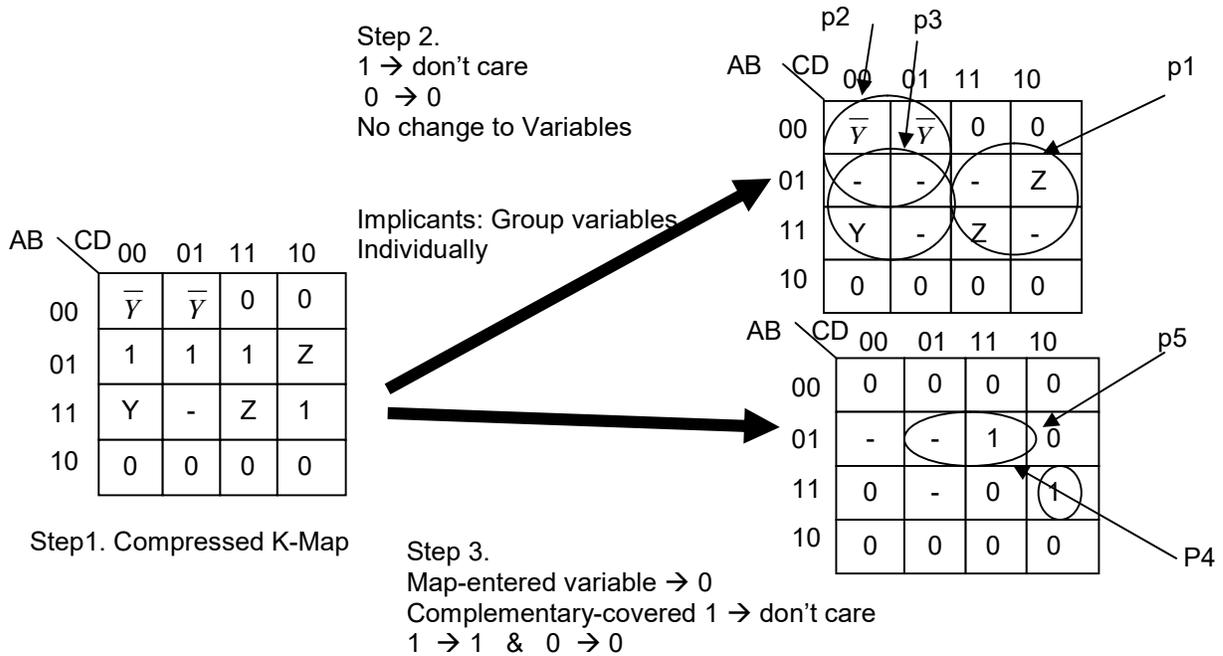
- Example of plotting, filling and reducing a compressed K-map directly from the compressed K-map and expanding to an uncompressed form.



Definition: A complementary covered 1 in a compressed K-map is a 1 that is covered with a map-entered variable and covered again with the complement same map-entered variable.

- A 6-variable example of compressed K-map is described by:  
 $F(A,B,C,D,Y,Z) = \sum (0.\bar{Y}, 1.\bar{Y}, 4,5,6.Z, 7,12.Y, 14,15.Z) + \sum md(13)$   
 Where  $m = m(A,B,C,D)$

Minimize the function.



$$F(A,B,C,D,Y,Z) = p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 = B.C.Z + \overline{A}.\overline{C}.\overline{Y} + B.\overline{C}.Y + A.B.C.\overline{D} + \overline{A}.B.D$$

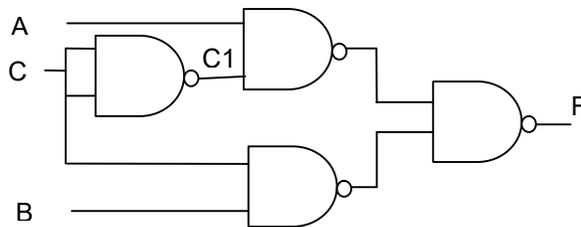
Although you can use the compressed K-map and apply both steps, it is recommended that you draw both graphs until you are comfortable with the process.

### 3.6. Glitches and Their Causes

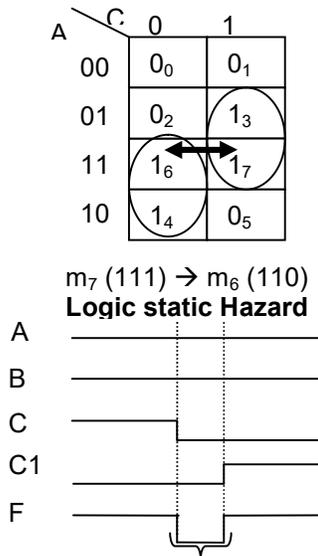
- ❖ A glitch is a momentary error condition on the output caused by unequal signal paths delays in the circuit. This may appear as an additional pulse high or low that will go away once the circuit reaches a steady state condition (after the signal has propagated through the circuit completely)
  - Glitches can occur when a hazard condition exists (Function and Logic Hazards)
    - 1) Functional Hazard
      - Exists when there is a problem due to two or more inputs are changing at the same time.
      - May be static when output is not changing or dynamic when the output changes.
      - Cannot be removed by additional circuitry
    - 2) Logic Hazards
      - (1) Exists when there is a problem due to a single input change.
      - (2) May be static when output is not changing or dynamic when the output changes.
      - (3) Can be removed by additional circuitry
  - Example: Use Function  $F(A,B,C) = A\bar{C} + B.C$  to show both function and logic static hazards  
 "Static means before and after the Glitch the output is the same"  
 (User DeMorgan's Theorem to use only NAND Gates)

Step 1. Generate a K-map and draw a schematic. Both of these drawings will assist in identifying unequal propagation path and, therefore, delays through the circuit.

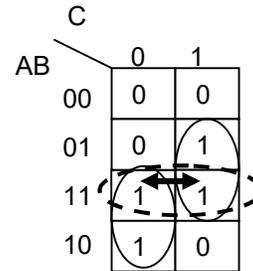
AB \ C	0	1
	00	01
01	02	13
11	16	17
10	14	05



Step 2. Take a look at any logic static hazards that exist and if they may cause a glitch.  
*Note: when a single input is changing.*



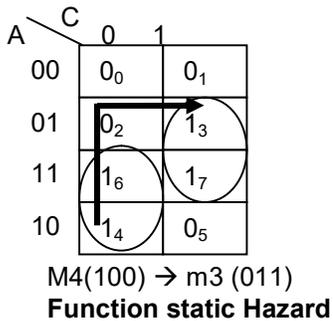
To remove this logic static hazard, add a term that covers both m6 & m7



$F(A,B,C) = \overline{A}\overline{C} + B.C + A.B$   
This is a logic hazard-free function  
The process is called the Chain Link Rule.

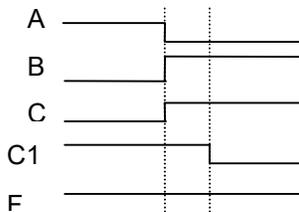
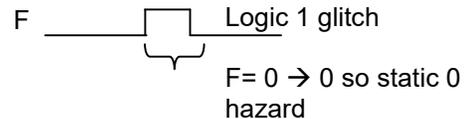
During NAND propagation delay  $C=C1=0$ ; therefore  $F=0$  during the delay. This is a Logic 0 Glitch.

Step 3. Take a look at any Function Static hazards that exist, and if they may cause a Glitch.  
*Hint: Look for two or more input changing simultaneously.*



**Side Bar**

If  $F=0 \rightarrow 0$  but has a high glitch, then it is called static 0 hazard. For example,  $m_0$  to  $m_5$ .



$F = 1 \rightarrow 1$   
so is a static 1 hazard logic 0 glitch

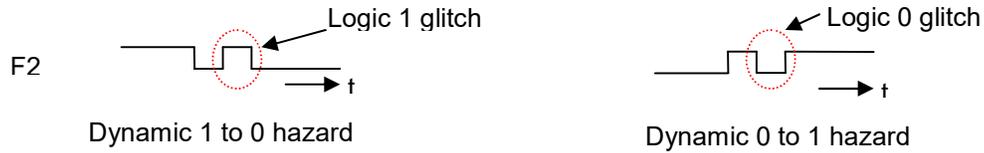
During NAND Propagation delay  $C=C1=0$  therefore  $F=0$  during the delay which is a Logic 0 Glitch.

\*\*Note: A system hazard does not have any impact on the functionality if:

- The inputs are not changed to trigger the hazard condition.  
or
- The output will not be used until the input is stabilized.

➤ Dynamic Hazards

A dynamic hazard occurs when an output changes from 0 to 1 or from 1 to 0.  
(in static hazard case: output before and after the glitch was the same)



- Typically dynamic hazards are produced by multi-level or cascading logic circuits
- Example  $F = A \oplus B \oplus C$  which means  $F=1$  when odd number of inputs are 1. Identify dynamic hazards in this circuit.

Step 1. Do the K-map

		C	
		0	1
AB	00	0 <sub>0</sub>	1 <sub>1</sub>
	01	1 <sub>2</sub>	0 <sub>3</sub>
	11	0 <sub>6</sub>	1 <sub>7</sub>
	10	1 <sub>4</sub>	0 <sub>5</sub>

Depending on the amount delay through each gate, you may or may not have a dynamic hazard. Typically, simulation software such as B2 Logic , PSpice, and Electronic Work Bench is used to compare maximum and minimum propagation delay for each component to find any dynamic hazards.

If we assume the right amount of delay through the gate, it can be shown that we can cause dynamic hazards in the following paths:



Dynamic hazards are by far the hardest problem to identify. Once the hazards are identified, strategic delays can be implemented to correct the problems.

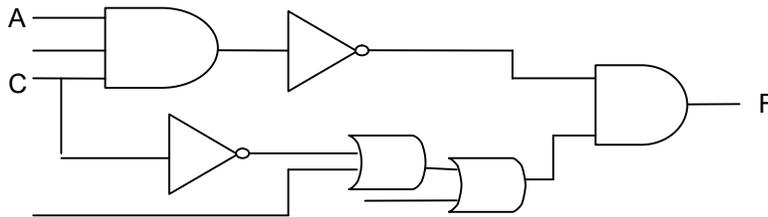
### 3.7. Types of Functions and Delays

- Trivial Functions, one or zero input
  - GND, Vcc, Buffer, and Inverter
  - We use  $t_p$  to refer to propagation delay through a gate.
- Simple Functions contain one sum or one product but may be complemented
  - For example:



- Simple functions may be one or two-level depending on the complements.
- To find the delay through a gate you need to refer to the part's specification from the manufacturer.
- For example a 74LS02 (NR gate) for  $R_L = 2\text{Kohms}$  and  $C_L = 15\text{ pF}$ :
  - (a) Maximum propagation delay time Low to High Level output  $t_{PLH} = 13\text{ ns}$
  - (b) Maximum propagation delay time High to Low Level output  $t_{PHL} = 10\text{ ns}$
  - (c) Sometime we use the average worst case propagation delay time
 
$$t_{su} = (t_{PLH} + t_{PHL}) / 2$$
  - (d) To find the maximum delay through a cascading circuit,  $t_p$  of each component in the path must be added to find the total worst case delay through the circuit.

- Complex Functions contain multiple levels of sums and/or products
  - The delay for each path needs to be calculated by adding the propagation delay,  $t_p$ , for each component in the path. For example

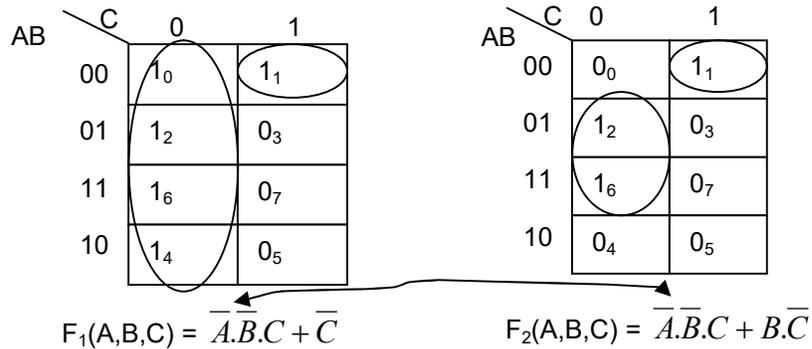


If the  $t_p$  is the time delay for each component then:

- \* delay from input A to output F is  $3*t_p$ .
- \* delay from input C to output F is  $4*t_p$ .

- For a multi-output complex function, at times there is an opportunity to share product terms among the output's to lower Literal Count (LC) and, therefore, reducing the number of gates.

- Example: Given the following K-maps for F1 and F2 outputs of a three input system, find the optimum design:



A smaller  $F_1$  could have been written, but the fact that  $m_1$  can be shared between  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , results in a more minimized total solution ( $F_1$  and  $F_2$ ).

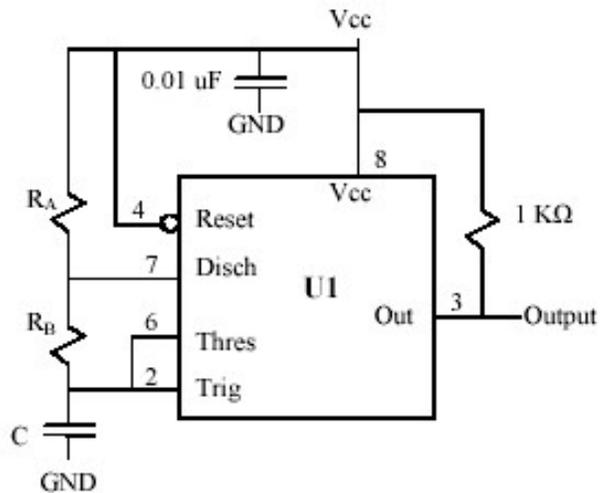
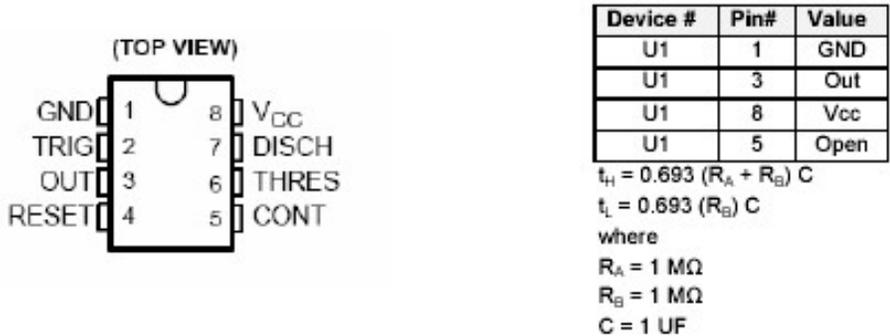
- Commonly-used complex functions have been implemented as ICs, and are crucial to the ability to develop complex functionality. Using individual gates consumes too much PC board space and wiring to be realistic.

The next section introduces some of the most common complex function available on the market.

### 3.8. Beyond Standard Logic: Applications

❖ Precision Timers “555”

This device is a precision timer that may be configured for a variety of applications. The most common use of the NE 555 is an application to generate square waves that may be used as a clock signal in digital design. In order for NE 555 to generate the clock signal, it may be configured as shown below:



- Example  
Given the component values in the introduction of NE 555 (above), draw the clock (square wave) signal generated and determine the period, frequency and duty cycle for the signal.

Solution:

- Example  
Using 555 timer, design a circuit that generates a clock signal with frequency of 2.5 KHz and 75% duty cycle. Show your work including component value calculations, timing diagram and resulting schematics.

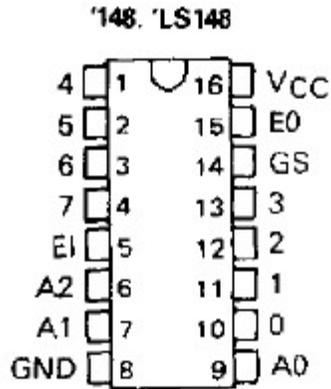
Solution:

❖ Encoders

Function:  $2^n$  input  $\rightarrow$  n output

Example: 74LS148 "8 to 3 encoder"

Note: You can design these circuits using the 6-step design, K-map, and SSI gates.



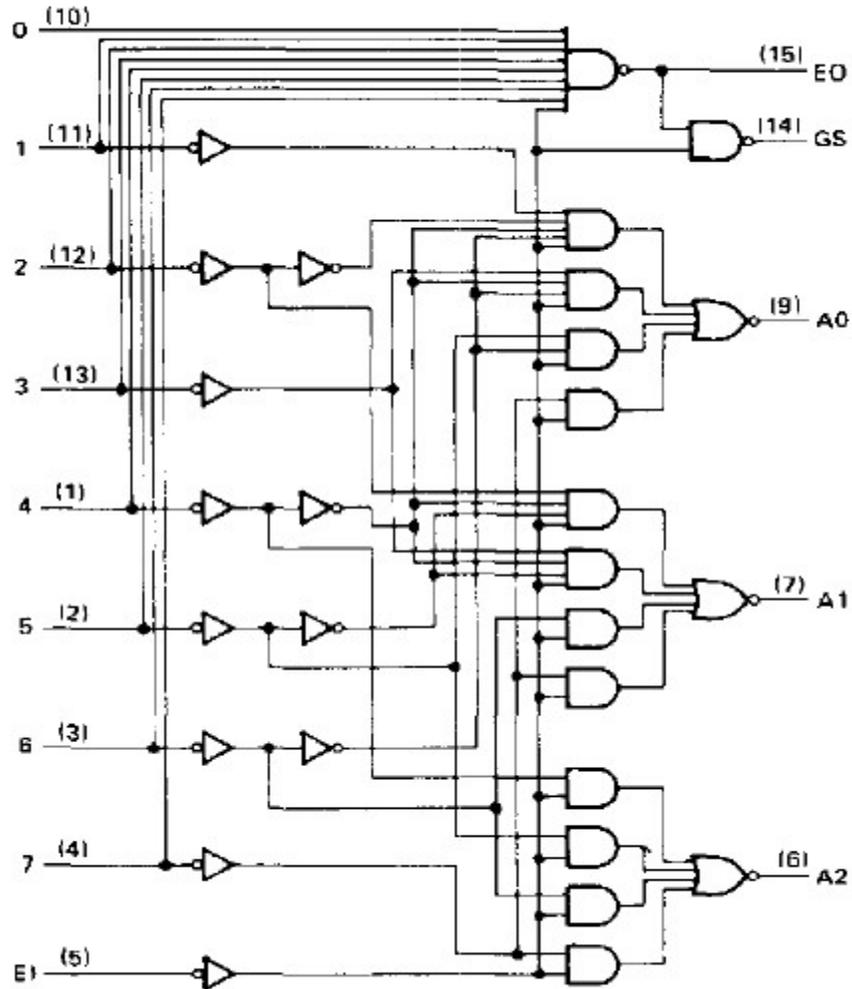
**'148, 'LS148  
FUNCTION TABLE**

EI	INPUTS								OUTPUTS				
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	A2	A1	A0	GS	EO
H	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	H	H	H	H	H
L	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	L
L	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	L	L	L	L	H
L	X	X	X	X	X	L	H	H	L	H	L	L	H
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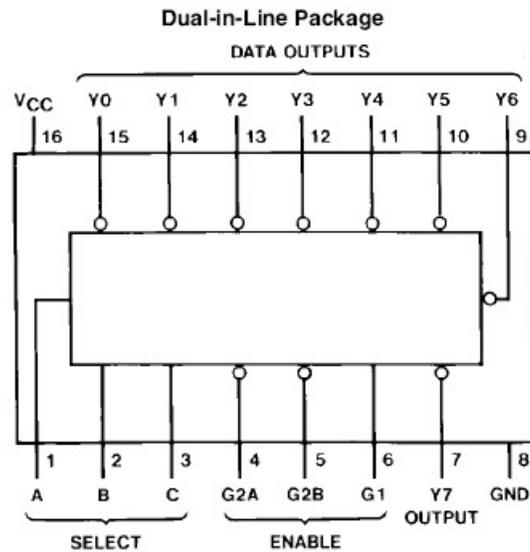
Notes:

- EI is the output-enable input and should be set to "L" for normal operation.
- Remember that:
  - "L" is the same as "0", Gnd or 0 volts.
  - "H" is the same as "1", Vcc or +5 volts.
  - "X" means don't care, it can be high or low.

'148, 'LS148



- ❖ Decoder, also called minterm generator  
Function:  $n$  input  $\rightarrow 2^n$  output  
Example: 74LS138 "3 to 8 Decoder/Demux"



## Function Tables

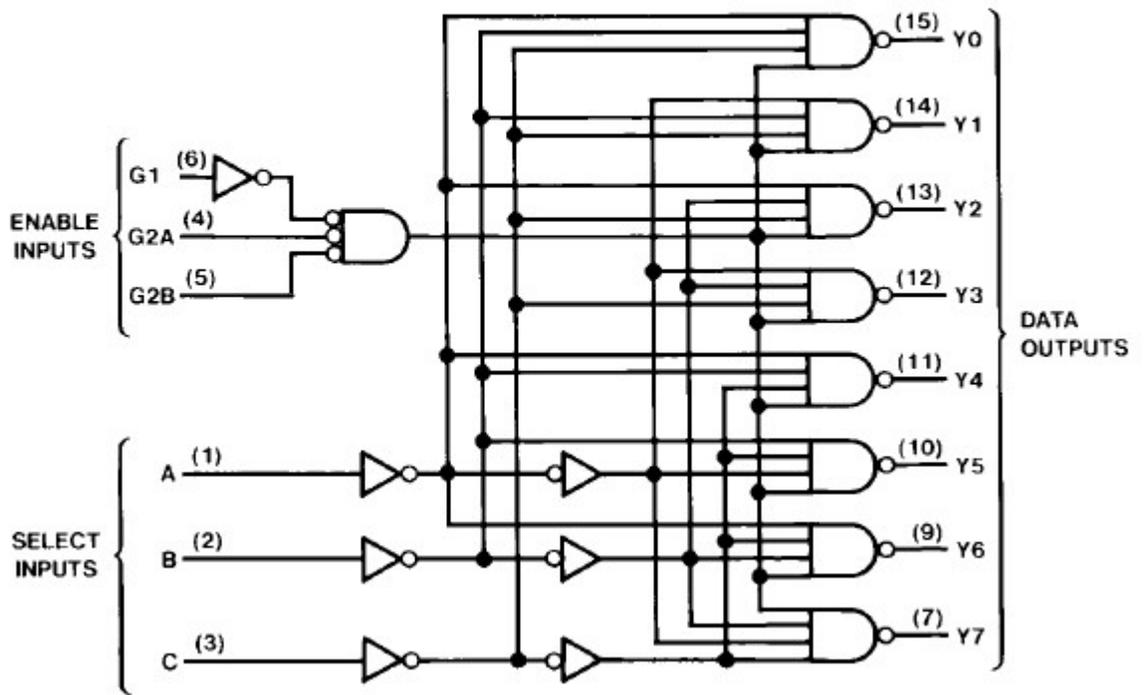
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Inputs					Outputs							
Enable		Select										
G1	G2*	C	B	A	Y0	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Y7
X	H	X	X	X	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
L	X	X	X	X	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
H	L	L	L	L	L	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
H	L	L	L	H	H	L	H	H	H	H	H	H
H	L	L	H	L	H	H	L	H	H	H	H	H
H	L	L	H	H	H	H	H	L	H	H	H	H
H	L	H	L	L	H	H	H	H	L	H	H	H
H	L	H	L	H	H	H	H	H	H	L	H	H
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H	L	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	L

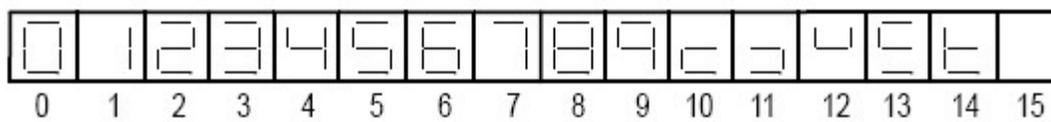
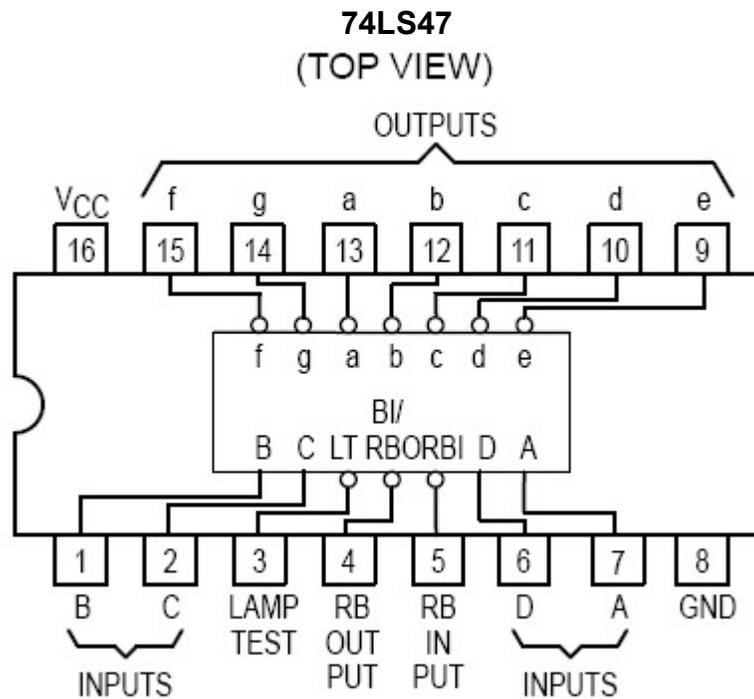
\*  $G2 = G2A + G2B$

H = High Level, L = Low Level, X = Don't Care

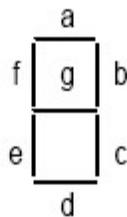
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- ❖ BCD to 7-segment display driver  
Function: Binary Coded Decimal Digits (4 inputs "0-9") → 7 output "one per segment"  
Example: 74LS47



**NUMERICAL DESIGNATIONS AND RESULTANT DISPLAYS**



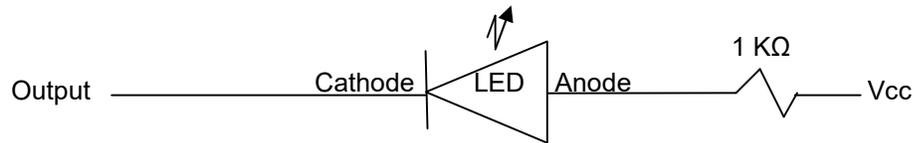
**SEGMENT  
IDENTIFICATION**

**74LS47**  
**FUNCTION TABLE**

DECIMAL OR FUNCTION	INPUTS						BI/RBO <sup>†</sup>	OUTPUTS						
	LT	RBI	D	C	B	A		a	b	c	d	e	f	g
0	H	H	L	L	L	L	H	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF
1	H	X	L	L	L	H	H	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
2	H	X	L	L	H	L	H	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON
3	H	X	L	L	H	H	H	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
4	H	X	L	H	L	L	H	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
5	H	X	L	H	L	H	H	ON	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON
6	H	X	L	H	H	L	H	ON	OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON
7	H	X	L	H	H	H	H	ON	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
8	H	X	H	L	L	L	H	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON
9	H	X	H	L	L	H	H	ON	ON	ON	ON	OFF	ON	ON
10	H	X	H	L	H	L	H	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	ON
11	H	X	H	L	H	H	H	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	ON
12	H	X	H	H	L	L	H	OFF	ON	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON
13	H	X	H	H	L	H	H	ON	OFF	OFF	ON	OFF	ON	ON
14	H	X	H	H	H	L	H	OFF	OFF	OFF	ON	ON	ON	ON
15	H	X	H	H	H	H	H	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
BI	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
RBI	H	L	L	L	L	L	L	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF	OFF
LT	L	X	X	X	X	X	H	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON

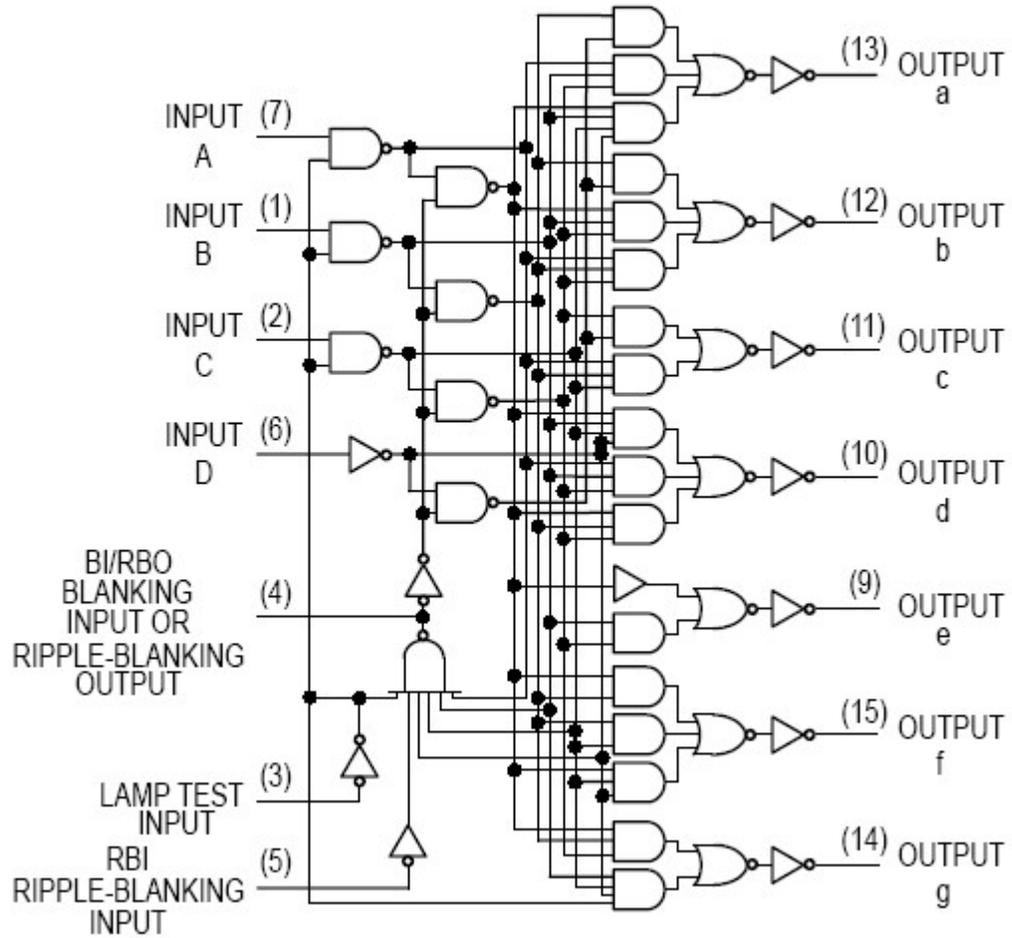
Note: The output is active low and open collector:

- H, Inactive and OFF are same
- Active, L and ON are the same.
- In order to light up LEDs, each LED in the 7-segment display should be wired as shown below.



The 1 KΩ resistors limits the current through the LED to 5 mA.

74LS47



### 3.9. Programmable Logic Devices (PLDs)

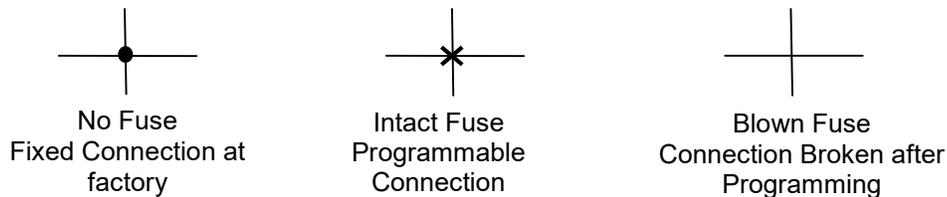
PLDs allow a designer to implement his/her design on a single chip. The main advantages of PLDs are speed of implementation, ease of implementation and low overall cost at low quantities. Most projects use PLDs during the design phase because of the stated reasons. During production when the quantities are higher, the design is typically implemented with one-time factory-programmed devices that are able to implement the design.

A summary of PLD's is shown below – the size in-terms of input/output and function, is growing on a daily basis. Most designs will prototype using one of these devices until they have enough quantity to justify a custom chip.

Device Type	AND Array Connection	OR Array Connections
PROM -Programmable Read Only Memory	Fixed at the Factory	Customer programmable with Fuses
PLA - Programmable Logic Array	Customer programmable with Fuses	Customer programmable with Fuses
PAL – Programmable Array Logic, also called GAL - Generic Array Logic	Customer programmable with Fuses	Fixed at the Factory

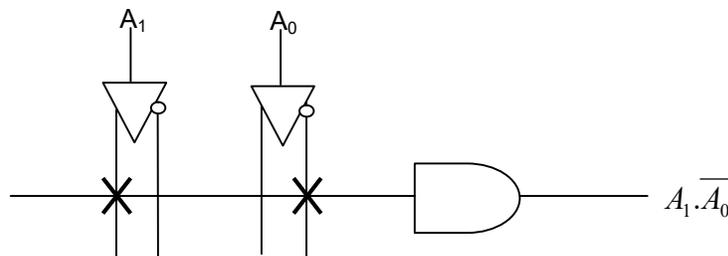
#### ➤ Introducing Key Symbols used in PLD Design

- Fuse Types Symbols



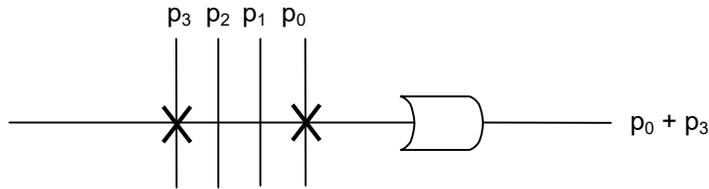
#### (1) Product Terms (Example)

- The output has a pull-up resistor that is not shown, and if all fuses are blown then the output will be H.
- If all fuses are intact, then they may place an X in the And symbol.



#### (2) Sum Terms (Example)

- The output has a pull-down resistor (not shown), and if all fuses are blown, then the output will be L.
- If all fuses are intact, then they may place an X in the OR Symbol.



(3) Erase ability

Some devices allow the blown fuses to be re-fused by:

- (a) Ultraviolet Light (through a small window on the top)
  - (b) Electrically (typically at much higher voltage and current than normal operation)
- "This type is referred to as EE-type."

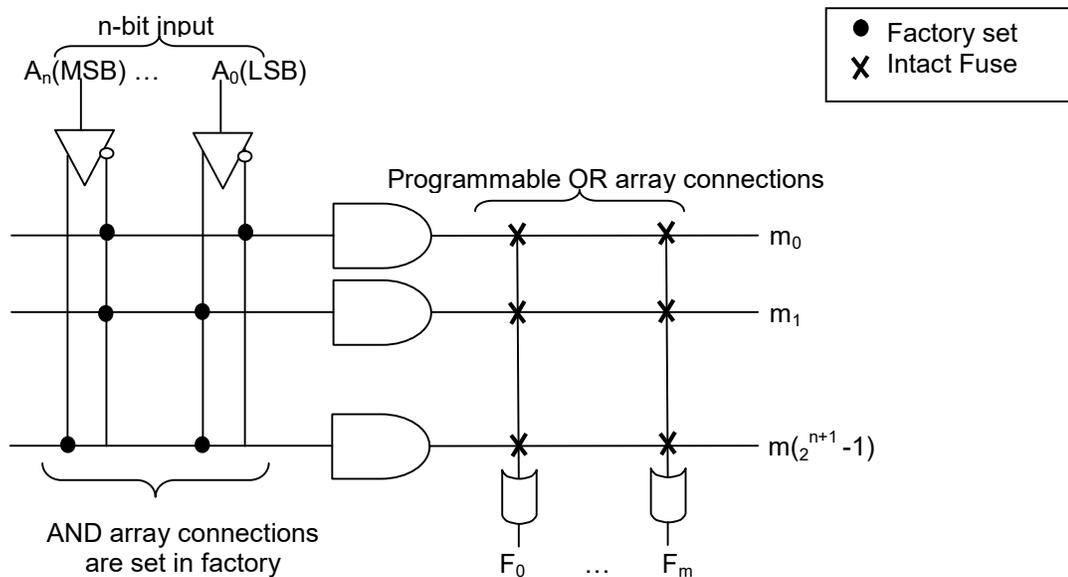
There are also universal programming units available that allow for fuse map input/output which adheres to the Joint Electronic Device Engineering Council (JEDEC) Standard.

➤ Programmable Read Only Memory (PROM)

A typical PROM may have 16 inputs with  $2^{16}$  outputs. This device would be called a 64K PROM. PROM is typically used during development and once the product is in production, Read Only Memory (ROM) will be used.

ROM is a one-time factory-only programmable device which is the reason why it is called Read Only Memory. The initial ROM set up is costly but the cost per part is significantly lower than that of PROM.

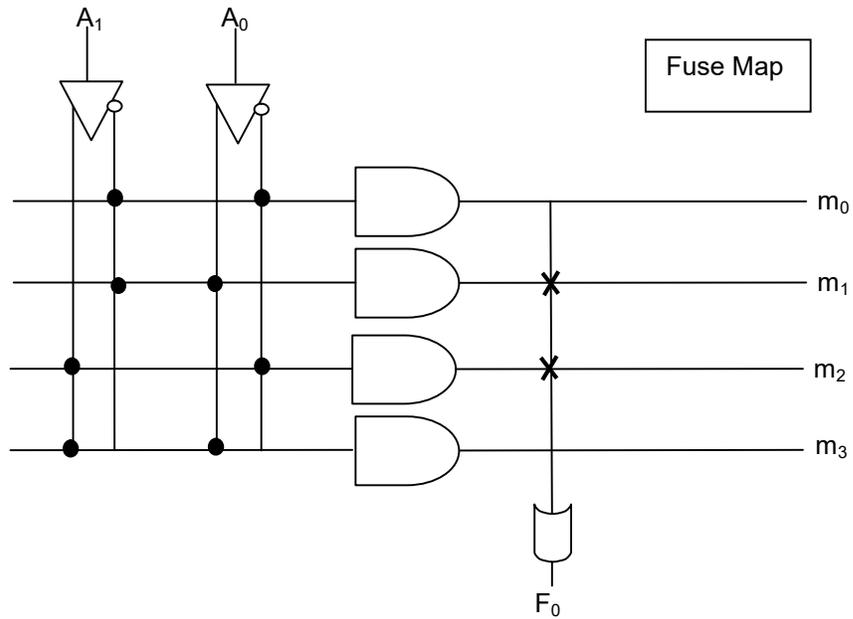
The following diagram shows the PROM internal diagram:



➤ PROM Example: Implement  $F(A_0, A_1) = \overline{A_0} \cdot A_1 + A_0 \cdot \overline{A_1}$

Since all the minterms are available, all we have to do to get the desired output is to OR the appropriate minterms and then blow fuses for all the minterms not needed for the function.

$F(A_0, A_1) = \sum(1, 2)$ , which means fuses 0 and 3 need to be blown.



➤ Example

Draw the fuse map for the smallest PROM that implements the function:

$$f(a_2, a_1, a_0) = a_2' \cdot a_1 \cdot a_0 + a_2' \cdot a_1 \cdot a_0' + a_2 \cdot a_1$$

*Note: Only draw the minterms that are used*

Solution:

➤ Example

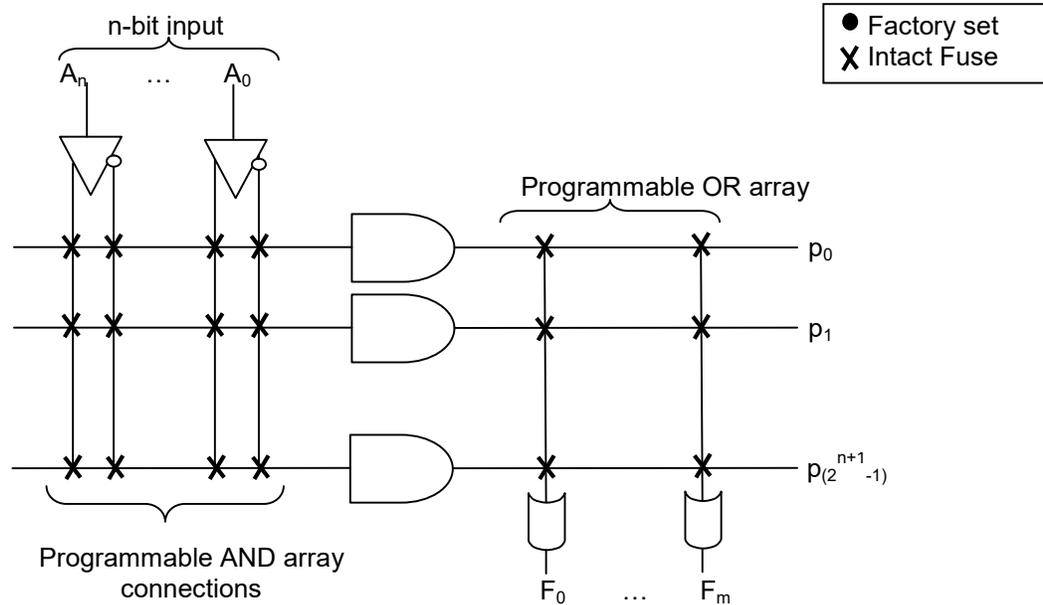
Use a PROM to design a 4-byte memory that contain 10, 50, 90 and 20 in location 0 to 3.  
Show the system diagram and PROM fuse map.

*Note: Only draw the minterms that are used*

Solution:

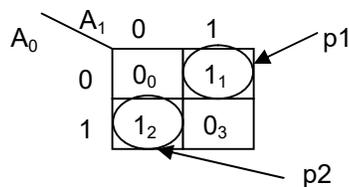
- Programmable Logic Arrays (PLA)
 

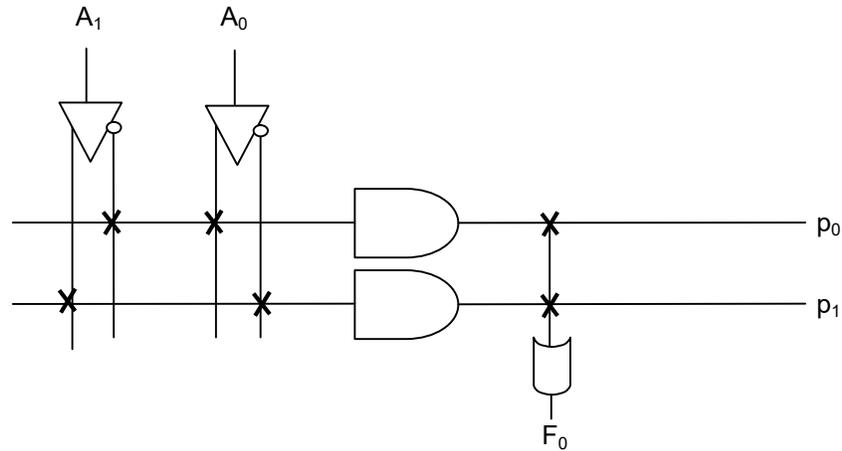
PLAs are similar to PROMs with the added flexibility of programmable AND array connections. PLAs are the most flexible of the Program Logic Devices since both the AND and OR array connections are field programmable. The drawbacks of the PLA technology are that they have the highest cost per unit and the longest propagation delays.



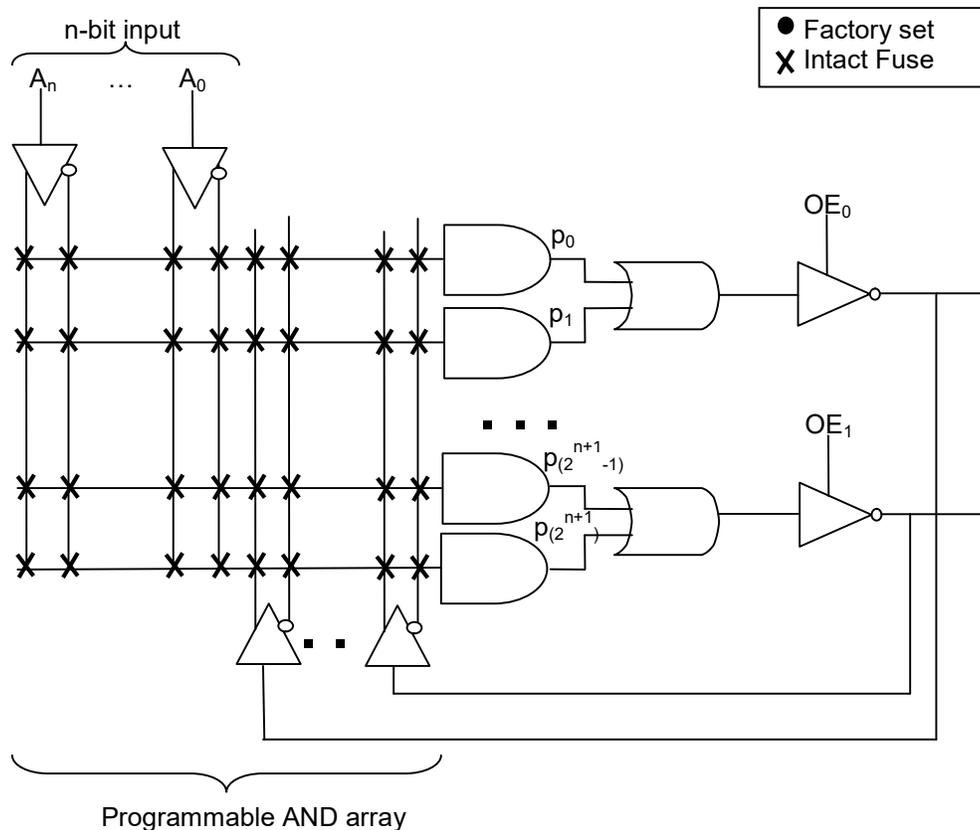
- PLA Example: Implement  $F(A_0, A_1) = \overline{A_0} \cdot A_1 + A_0 \cdot \overline{A_1}$ 

PLAs allow both the AND and OR array connections to be programmed. The complete fuse map shows both the AND and the OR fuses. There may be opportunities to share product terms between the outputs to improve efficiency.





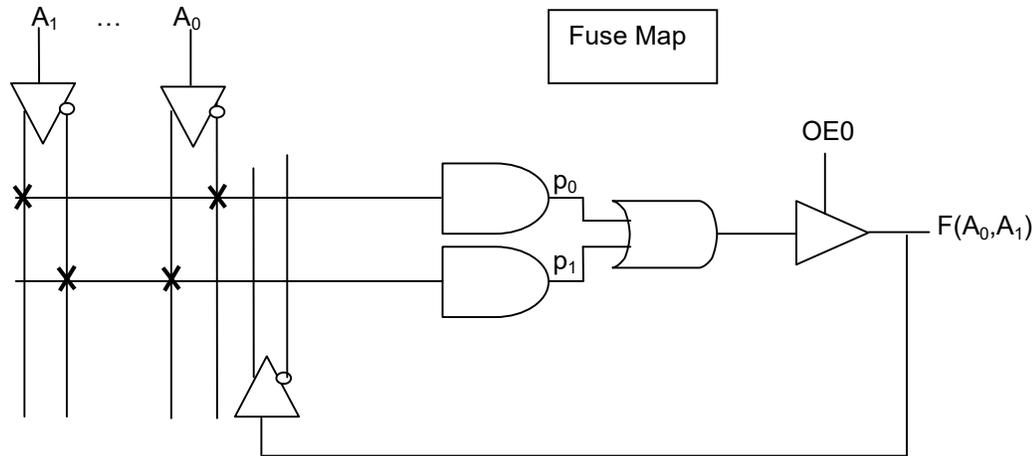
- Programmable Array Logic (PAL) or Generic Array Logic (GAL)  
 PAL and GAL are two different way to refer to this technology. PALs are:
- Easiest to use, since only the AND array connection is programmable.
  - Best suited for non-standard complex combination logic implementation.
  - Available in variety of sizes. The larger versions are called Field Programmable Gate Array (FPGA). The version that can be configured at the factory for larger volume design is called Gate Arrays.
  - Able to implement feeding back the outputs to and array for improved functionality.
  - Available with 3-state outputs (1, 0, high impedance) which are controlled by input, OE.
- (1)  $OE=0 \rightarrow$  output = open (which can be used to drive the pin as an input which is why sometime 3-state pins are referred to as I/O)
- (2)  $OE=1 \rightarrow$  output = *input*



- ❖ PALs or GALs are named based on the number of inputs and outputs (PALxyzz) where:
  - “xx” is the number of maximum AND array inputs
  - “y” represent the type of output
    - Combination output: H is active High, L is active low, P is programmable
    - Registered outputs: R is registered (Contains memory devices), RP is registered with programmable polarity.
    - Versatile: V indicates programmable output macro-cells which can be configured to be either combinational or registered.
  - “zz” represents the maximum number of dedicated outputs.

For example: PAL16L8 is active-Low output with 16 inputs and 8 outputs.

- ❖ PALs and GALs are programmed using Universal programmers which use JEDEC fuse map file format. Some of the other names commonly used to refer to these devices based on their complexity or size are:
  - Simple Programmable Logic Devices (SPLD)
  - Complex Programmable Logic Devices (CPLD)
- ❖ PAL usage example: Implement  $F(A_0, A_1) = \overline{A_0} \cdot A_1 + A_0 \cdot \overline{A_1}$   
 Here again only one Fuse map is needed (AND array connection). Also need to consider if there are any terms that can be shared. In this case we do not have any shared terms.



- Benefits of PLDs over individual gates:
  - Shorter design time (rapid prototype).
  - Allow for rapid design changes.
  - Decreased PC board real estate.
  - Improved reliability since they require fewer packages and interconnections.

❖ Signal Polarity Convention

There are two types of convention: Positive Logic Convention (PLC) and Direct Polarity Indication (DPI). It is recommended that polarity be consistent unless there is a practical reason to change polarity.

- Positive Logic Convention (PLC)
  - Other name for PLC: True Form.
  - PLC has been used so far and we will continue to use it in the rest of the text. It is best suited for working with logic (ones and zeros).
- Direct Polarity Indication (DPI)
  - Other name for DPI: Complemented Form.
  - DPI is also referred to as the mixed signal since each signal can have polarity attached to it  
For example  $W(H)$  is  $W$  in positive logic which is the same as  $\overline{W}(L)$
  - DPI is preferred by engineers who need to be aware of voltage levels correlating with the active levels
  - Here is a comparison of DPI and PLC signal naming

PLC Signal Name	DPI signal Name	Type of Signal
A	A(H) or $\overline{A}(L)$	Active High
$\overline{A}$	$\overline{A}(H)$ or A(L)	Active Low
Use bubble "o" to indicate negation	Use wedge $\blacktriangledown$ to indicate polarity (Low)	
	Write signal name with no over bar and change to Active low with polarity indicator.	

(1) Double complementation can be used to write equivalent signal names in a number of formats

$$(a) A = A(H) = \overline{\overline{A(L)}} = \overline{\overline{A(H)}} = \overline{\overline{A(L)}}$$

$$(b) \overline{A} = \overline{\overline{A(H)}} = \overline{\overline{A(H)}} = A(H) = A(L)$$

(2) To fully specify a circuit, you need to provide a Signal List (SL) in addition to function. If the SL is not provided, then it will be assumed to be positive logic.

$$(a) \text{ PLC} \rightarrow F = A.B + C.D; \mathbf{SL}: F, A, \overline{B}, \overline{C}, D$$

$$(b) \text{ DPI} \rightarrow F = A.B + C.D; \mathbf{SL}: F(H), A(H), B(L), C(L), D(H)$$

### 3.10. Additional Resources

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 6 “Combinational Logic Design Practices”

### **3.11. Problems**

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## **Chapter 4. Introduction to Feedback Circuits and Sequential Logic Analysis**

This is the first section in Sequential Logic Design and Analysis.

### **4.1. Key concepts and Overview**

- ❖ SR flip-flops
- ❖ Asynchronous Sequential Logic Issues
- ❖ Finite State Machines (Sequential Logic Circuits)
- ❖ Additional Flip-Flop Circuits
- ❖ Sequential Circuit Analysis
- ❖ Debouncing Switches
- ❖ Additional Resources
- ❖ Problems

## 4.2. SR Flip-Flops

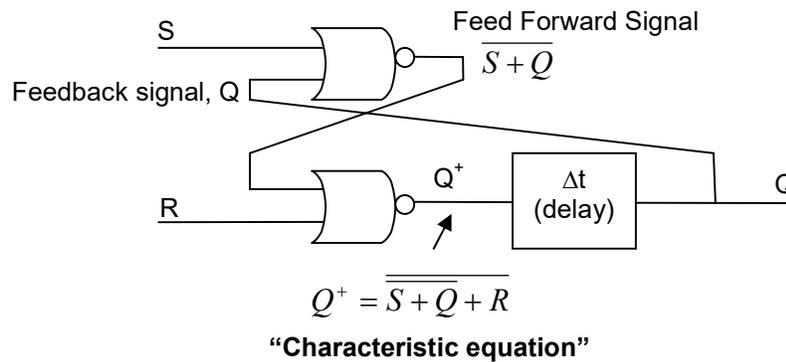
SR flip-flops are the simplest form of single-bit memory (latch). A Latch is also known as a bi-stable memory device. Flip-flop is used to store value of input.

❖ SR flip-flops have set and reset inputs. The circuit for a SR flip-flop is shown below:

- $Q^+$  is used to refer to the next output state when the current output state is  $Q$
- Unlike combinational logic, sequential logic  $Q^+$  is dependent on the value of previous output  $Q$ .

$$Q^+(S, R, Q) = \overline{S + \overline{Q}} + R$$

Note:  $Q^+$  is dependent on inputs  $S$  and  $R$  as well as current state,  $q$ .



❖ Present-State/Next-State (PS/NS) Table

The PS/NS table is the sequential circuit equivalent to combinational circuit's truth table. As it can be seen from the following example, instead of output, PS/NS table has current and next state:

Present State(PS) <b>Q</b>	External Input Signal		Next State (NS) <b>Q<sup>+</sup></b>	Comment	Additional Comment
	<b>S</b>	<b>R</b>			
0	0	0	0	hold 0	Q is stable , $Q_{new} = Q$
0	0	1	0	hold 0	Q is stable , $Q_{new} = Q$
0	1	0	1	set	Q is unstable, $Q_{new} = Q^+$ after $\Delta t = \overline{Q}$
0	1	1	0	normally not allowed	Q is stable , $Q_{new} = Q$ , reset dominant
1	0	0	1	hold 1	Q is stable , $Q_{new} = Q$
1	0	1	0	reset	Q is unstable, $Q_{new} = Q^+$ after $\Delta t = \overline{Q}$
1	1	0	1	hold 1	Q is stable , $Q_{new} = Q$
1	1	1	0	normally not allowed	Q is unstable , $Q_{new} = Q^+$ after $\Delta t = \overline{Q}$ , reset dominant

❖ Compressed Characteristic Table

Compressed Characteristic Table is another way to describe sequential circuit that is simpler to generate than PS/NS table while provide most of the information required. Compressed Characteristic table is commonly used in sequential circuit design and analysis. Below is an example of Compressed Characteristic table for SR flip-flop.

S	R	Q+
0	0	Q
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0 (reset dominant)

- ❖ K-map for flip-flops  
K-maps can be generated based on flip-flops PS/NS table. The following K-map is for a SR flip-flop.

$$Q^+(S,R,Q) = \underline{Q} \cdot \bar{R} + S \cdot \bar{R}$$

SR \ Q	0	1
00	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
01	<u>0</u>	0
11	<u>0</u>	0
10	1	<u>1</u>

- Note:  
Minterms 3, 4 and 7 are unstable and shown on K-map without an underlined. As stated earlier, unstable state will change after the  $\Delta t$  delay.

### 4.3. Asynchronous Sequential Logic Issues

A circuit that uses latches (flip-flops) but does not use a clock to synchronize all signals is called Asynchronous Sequential Logic. Here we will explore the issues that may be present in asynchronous design.

➤ Race Condition

For example (SR flip-flop)

- S R Q = 000
  - S changes to 1 → S R Q = 100 (unstable or transitory state) →  $Q^+ = 1$  (refer to table) → S R Q = 101 (after delay) A stable state. This state will be maintained until the External input changes.

	Q	0	1
SR		0	1
00		<u>0</u> ●	<u>1</u>
01		<u>0</u>	0
11		<u>0</u>	0
10		1 ●	▶ <u>1</u>

If the S and R inputs change quickly (one after another) before the output settles into a new stable state, the input provides a race condition (each trying to change the output first). If the output becomes a predictable stable state, then the race is non-critical.

A critical race occurs if the circuit output ends in an unpredictable stable state.

- Example of a Critical Race
  - S R Q = 110
  - SR are changed simultaneously to 00
  - S may change first S R Q = 010 →  $Q^+ = 0$  Stable state  
next R changes, SRQ = 0 0 0 →  $Q^+ = 0$  Stable state

	Q	0	1
SR		0	1
00		<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
01		● <u>0</u>	0
11		● <u>0</u>	0
10		1	<u>1</u>

- R may change first S R Q = 100 →  $Q^+ = 1$  Unstable state  
next S changes, SRQ = 0 0 1 →  $Q^+ = 1$  Stable state

		Q	
		0	1
SR	00	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
	01	<u>0</u>	0
	11	<u>0</u>	0
	10	1	<u>1</u>

Note that depending on if S changed first (case 1) or R changed the first (Case 2), final state will be different, which means we have a critical race.

- To insure proper operation of well-designed asynchronous sequential logic circuits (no critical race), allow only one external input signal to change at a time. This mode of operation is referred to as “fundamental operating mode”.
- ❖ **Transient, Meta-Stable State or Unstable Equilibrium State Output**  
This is another failure mode of latch circuits which causes the output to oscillate between 1 and 0 and the final state may be unpredictable.
  - The cause may be:
    - Runt pulses  
If two inputs feeding a gate are changed nearly simultaneously, a runt pulse may be produced at the output of the gate.
    - Positive runt pulse  
A positive-going pulse that begins with a value of 0 but doesn't achieve the value of 1
    - Negative runt pulse  
A negative-going pulse that begins with a value of 1 but doesn't achieve the value of 0

#### 4.4. Finite State machine

##### ❖ State Diagram

A state diagram is a graphical method of showing each state and the movement to other steps based on the new values of external inputs. Here are the steps (example for SR flip-flop):

Step 1. Write the Compressed Characteristic Table

S	R	Q+
0	0	Q
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
(reset dominant)		



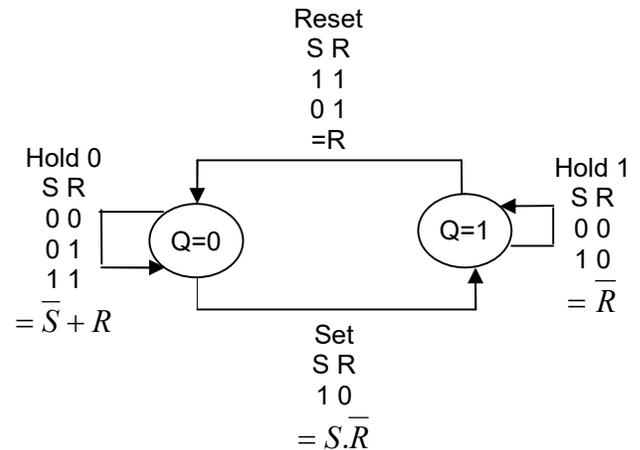
Step 2. Present State /Next State (PS/NS) Table

S	R	Q	Q+
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0



Step 3. Draw a circle for each state (one output, Q, so 2 –state)

Step 4. Draw arrow showing change for each possible input in each state.



##### ❖ Finite State Machine or Simple State Machine is used to describe a sequential logic circuit

- A completely specified state machine is one for which all input conditions are used to specify each next state condition. For a completely specified machine, the “sum = 1 rule” applies which says that all outgoing conditions from a state must sum up to 1.

For example for state 0 of the SR flip-flop, a completely specified state machine, the outgoing conditions sums up to 0

$$\text{Sum of Outgoing Conditions} = (\bar{S} + R) + S \cdot \bar{R} = 1$$

- An incompletely specified state machine is one which is missing some input condition. You may interpret them as “don’t care” conditions.

*Note: For the incompletely specified state machine, the sum of outgoing conditions of all states are not equal to 1.*

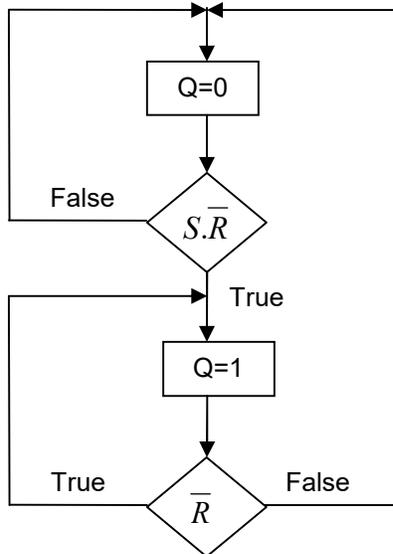
##### ❖ Algorithmic State Machine (ASM) Chart

An ASM chart is similar to the programming flow chart and is an equivalent of the state diagram used to describe a sequential logic circuit (or Finite State Machine).

The chart uses three symbols:

- Rectangle is the state box (equivalent to circles in state diagram)
- Diamond is the decision box (equivalent to inputs next to the lines in state diagram) one of two paths provide the exit from decision box:

- If condition is true, T or "1" path is taken
  - If condition is false, F or "0" path is taken
- Oval shape is used for start, end and output box
- Example - Below is an ASM Chart example for a SR flip-flop derived from the state diagram:
- State exit conditions are the decision conditions in ASM.
  - Emphasis is on state changes. All conditions that do not change the stay are not shown on the ASM chart.



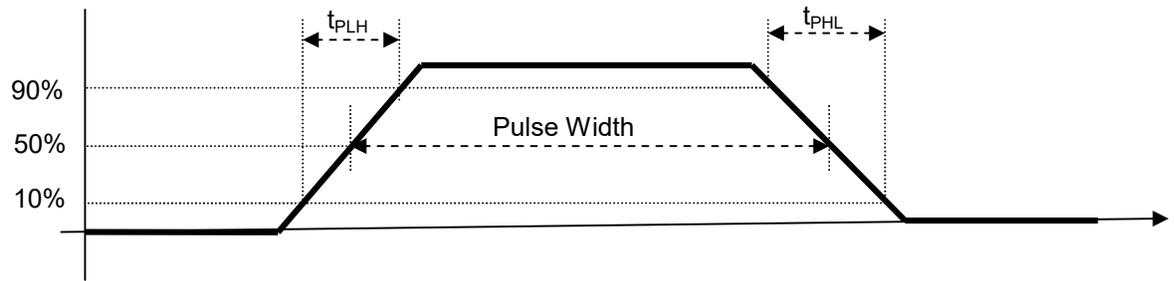
The advantage of ASM is that it has two outputs from each decision so it is clear if both conditions are addressed and therefore the state machine is completely specified.

#### ❖ Timing Diagram

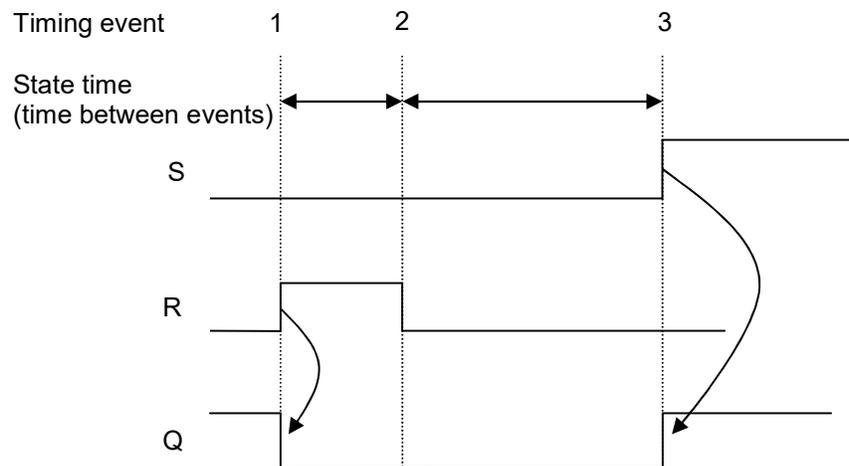
Another tool for describing the functionality of a sequential logic circuit is the timing diagram. Although the timing diagram is not as scalable as State diagrams or ASM chart, it provides the timing relationship between input and out signals.

#### ➤ Basic definitions used in timing diagrams

- **Timing Events**  
External input changes that cause changes in the output of a sequential logic circuit are called timing events.
- **Rise Time ( $t_{PLH}$ )**  
The time it takes for a signal to go from a 10% to 90% value (an ideal timing diagram assumes 0 seconds)
- **Fall Time ( $t_{PHL}$ )**  
The time it takes for a signal to go from a 90% to 10% value (an ideal timing diagram assumes 0 seconds)
- **Pulse Width**  
The time it takes for a signal to go from a 50% value on the rising edge to 50% value on the falling edge.
- **Average Propagation delay**  
In order to simplify a timing diagram, gate delays may be represented by an average propagation delay  $t_p$  where  $t_p = (t_{PHL} + t_{PLH})/2$  (an ideal timing diagram assumes 0 seconds)



- ❖ An ideal timing diagram for an SR flip-flop  
SR flip-flop discussed so far is an asynchronous sequential logic circuit since this latch circuit does not rely on a system clock for synchronization.



*Note: This is an ideal timing diagram where propagation delays are not shown.*

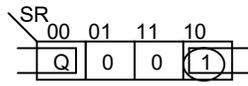
- ❖ Design of Asynchronous Sequential Logic Circuit  
Asynchronous Circuit does not rely on a clock which means that hazards may be a design problem.
  - A couple of rules to avoid logic hazards and critical races:
    - Rule 1 – One external input signal change at a time (fundamental mode)
    - Rule 2 – Before the next external signal is allowed to change, the circuit must be given time to reach a new stable state. (The circuit path with the longest delay dictates the speed of the circuit.)

➤ Applying the Design Steps to an SR flip-flop

Step 1. Write the compressed characteristic table

S	R	Q+
0	0	Q
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0

Step 2. Draw the compressed K-map

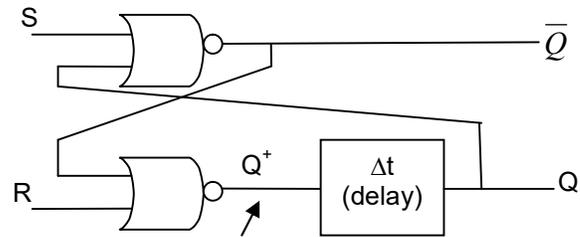


$$Q^+ = Q \cdot \bar{R} + S \cdot \bar{R}$$

$$= \overline{(Q + S)} + R$$

Apply DeMorgan's Theorem twice.

Step 3. Draw the schematic (since Q is used for Q+, we need a delay element)

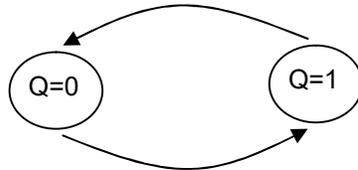


Since Q and  $\bar{Q}$  are provided, it is called a "double-rail output". If Q was the only output, then it would be called a single-rail output.

*Note: This circuit encounters a critical race condition when SR transitions from 11 to 00.*

❖ Designing a Clock Circuit (another simple asynchronous sequential logic circuit)

➤ Start with state diagram

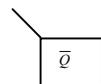


➤ Flow the design process

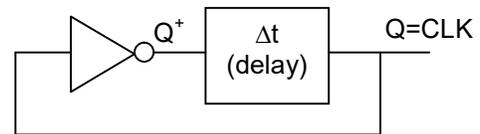
Step 1. Write the Compressed Characteristic Table

$$Q^+ = \bar{Q}$$

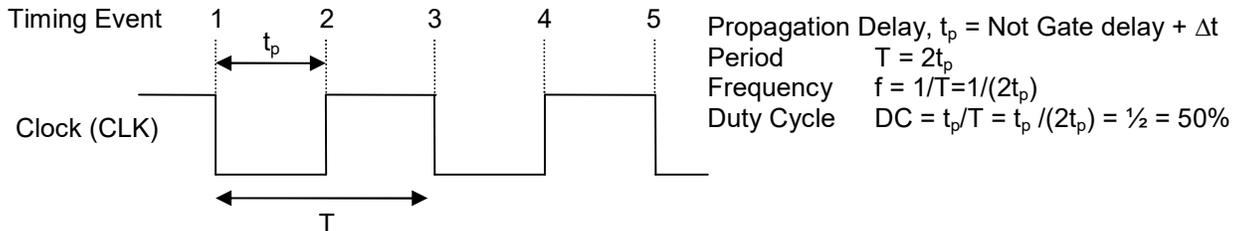
Step 2. Draw Compress K-map



Step 3. Draw the schematic (since Q is used for Q+, we need a delay element)



➤ Timing Diagram



You can increase the period T by one of the following methods:

- Adding to  $\Delta t$  (more buffer)
- Adding more NOT gates (must be an odd number of gates)
- Adding an RC circuit and adjusting the time constant

- In practice, most designs use crystal oscillators which oscillate at a precise frequency, providing more reliable system clock.

❖ Design of Gated Sequential Logic Circuit

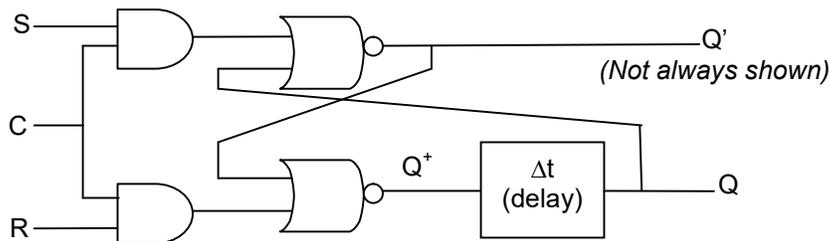
Providing another input which controls when the inputs can affect the outputs (latching the inputs) increases the functionality of the latch circuit. The resulting circuit is called a latched or gated circuit.

➤ Gated Circuit Types

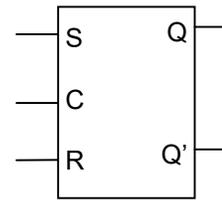
Latches may be classified based on their input control types:

- Level activated: Latches input when the control is at a given logic level (High or Low depending on design)
- Edge Trigger: Latches input when the control changes level (rising- or falling-edge, depending on design)
- Pulse-triggered: Latches input when the control is pulsed (a rising-edge followed by a falling-edge)

➤ Gated S-R flip-flop (latch) Circuit



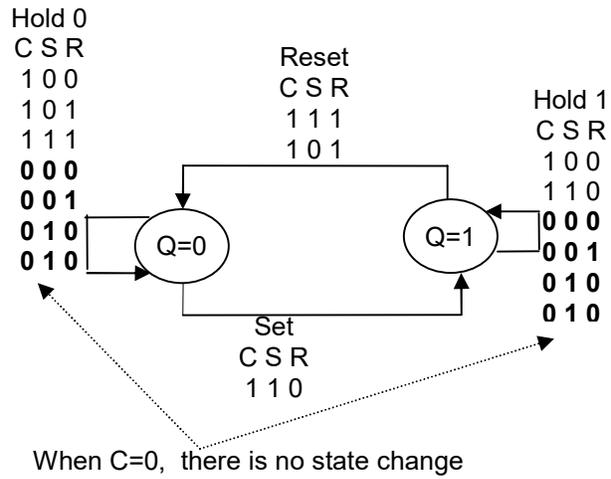
Gated SR Latch Using NOR gates



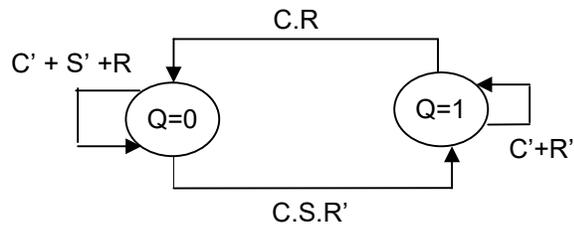
Block Diagram

- This circuit allows inputs to affect the outputs only when  $C=1$ . When  $C=0$ , the latch holds the last state value at its output. This is an example of high-level activated SR flip-flop.

- The state diagram showing the effect of Latch Control (C) on the state change.



\* Another form of State Diagram for the same circuit is shown below:



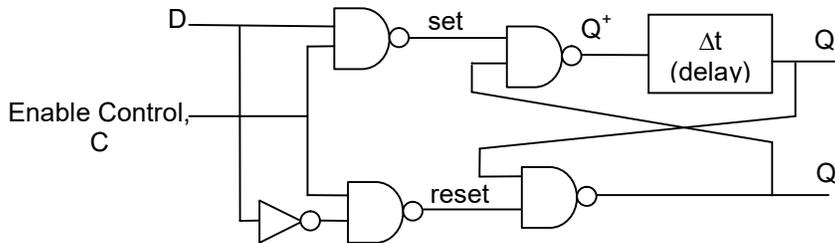
*Note: This circuit, like the SR Latch Circuit, has a critical race when CSR transitions from 111 to CSR=100. To prevent this issue, it is possible not to allow CSR=111.*

## 4.5. Additional Flip Flops

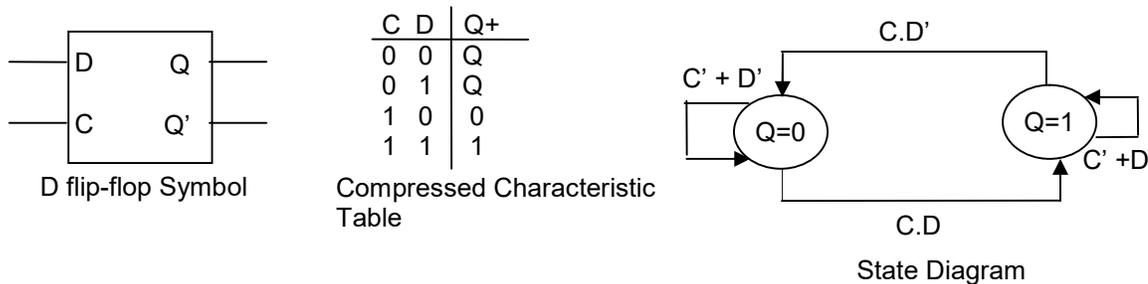
### ❖ D flip-flop (or D-latch)

Although we have talked about SR flip-flop first, there are many other types of flip flops. Each have their own set of advantages and disadvantages. D flip-flop is the most commonly used flip-flops due to its simplicity. Additionally, D flip-flop does not have an inherent critical race.

SR flip-flops can be modified using NAND gates to create a D flip flop as shown in the following diagram:

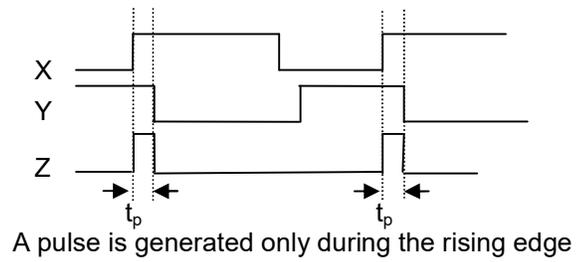
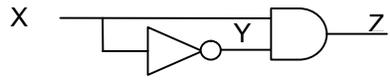


The D flip-flop may be referred to as “gated D Latch”, a transparent D latch, a level sensitive flip-flop or data flip-flop. Symbol and Compressed Characteristic table is shown below:

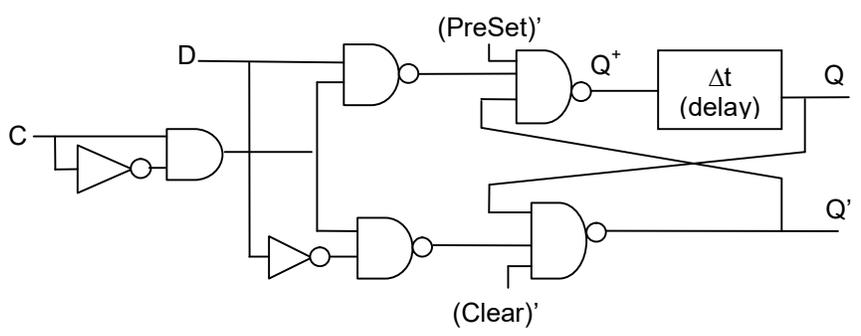


*Note: When  $C=0$  (inactive), the last value of  $D$  is driving the output. Also it can be shown that it does not contain critical race and is logic hazard free.*

- Explore the specifications for 74LS373 “level activated” and 74LS374 “Positive-edge triggered”. Refer to Course Website for the complete specifications including:
  - Set up time ( $t_{su}$ )
  - Hold time ( $t_h$ )
  - Sampling interval,  $t_{si} = (t_{su} + t_h)$   
The Minimum  $t_{si}$  is required for proper operation of the circuit.
  - 3-state output.
- Although there are pulse, level activated flip flop and edge-triggered D latches, it is recommended that new design use edge-triggered flip-flops.
  - Basic edge-triggered flip-flop  
One ways to create a narrow pulse is by using the following circuit:

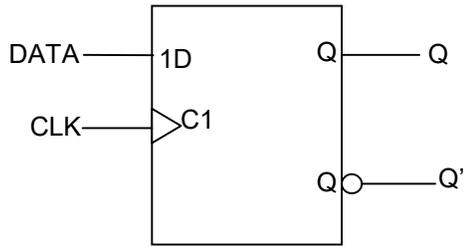


So you can use this design to implement a positive-edge-triggered D flip-flop circuit with preset and clear inputs.

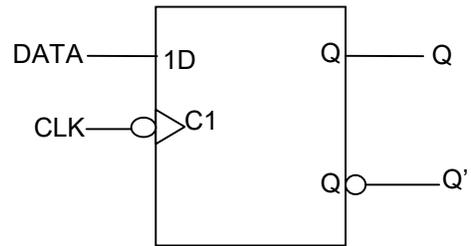


Circuit Diagram

➤ Symbols

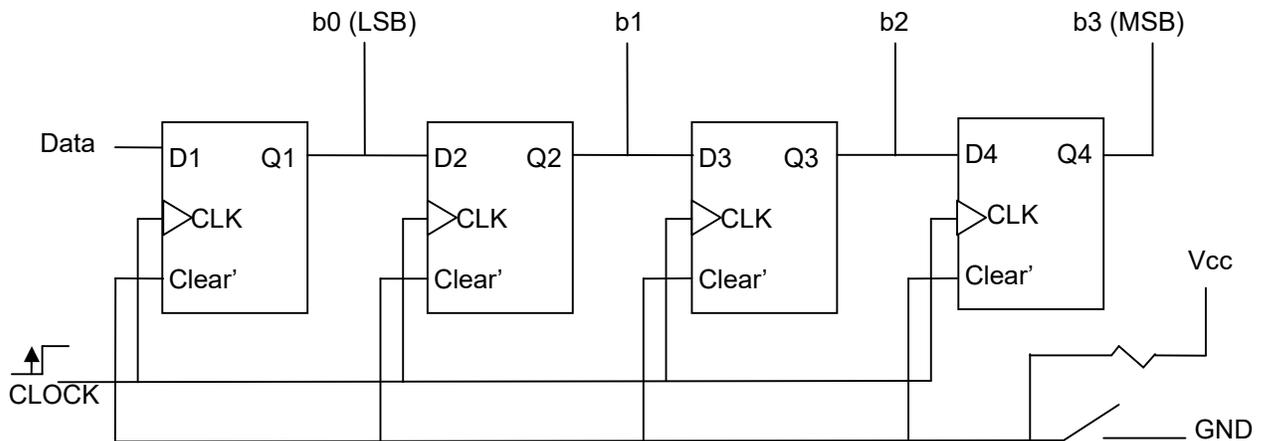


Positive-Edge-Triggered D Flip-Flop  
(triangle called dynamic indicator)



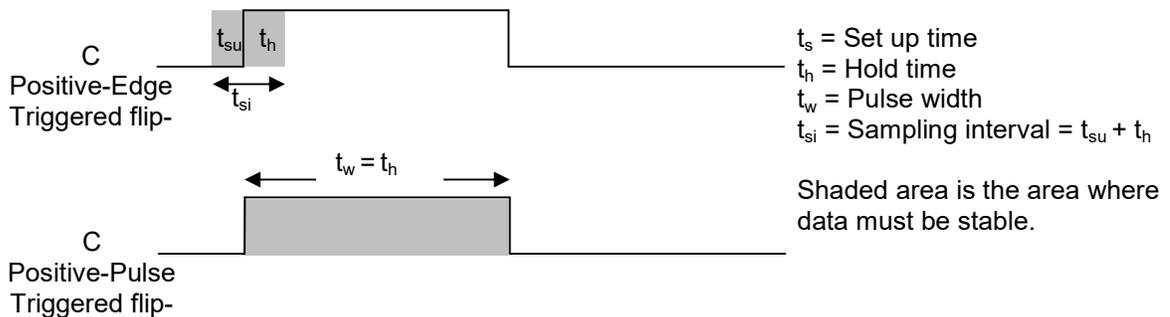
Negative-Edge-Triggered D Flip-Flop  
(Bubbled triangle indicator)

➤ Application: using D flip-flops with clear to build a shift register



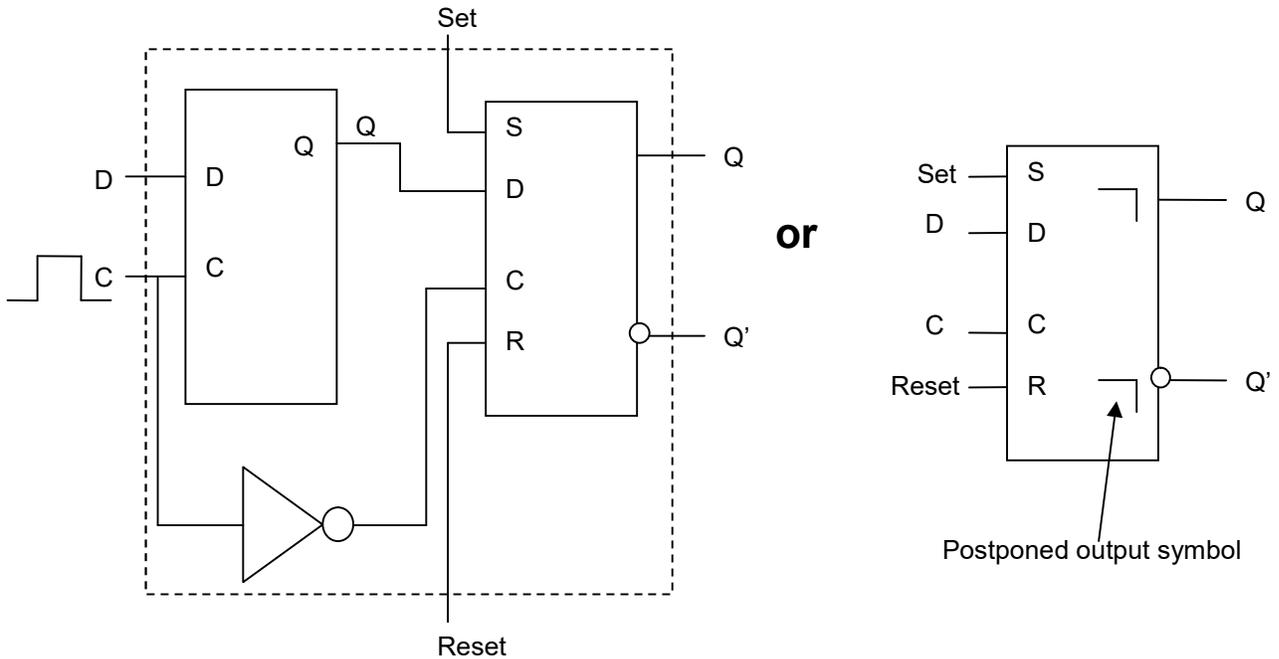
▪ Edge-Triggered and Pulse-Triggered Flip Flop Comparison

A pulse enable the input to change the output. The pulse can be negative or positive depending on the flip-flop design. Here is a comparison of hold time requirement for positive-edge and positive-pulse triggered flip-flop.



- A pulse-triggered flip-flop has much longer sampling interval than an edge-triggered flip-flops; therefore, all new designs use Edge-triggered flip-flops to improve speed.

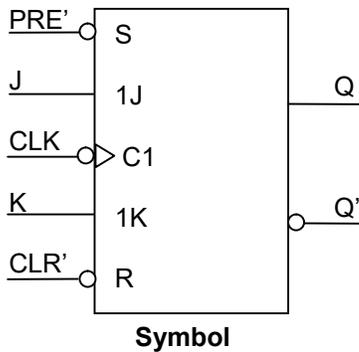
- A pulse-triggered flip-flop is also called “master-slave” due to its implementation which require two D-type flip-flop in a master-slave set up as shown below:



The D flip-flop is the most commonly used bi-stable memory device. The other two kinds used are J-K and T flip-flops.

❖ J-K Flip Flops

Below is a negative-edge triggered JK flip flop. As in other flip-flops, the inputs J and K are called “excitation inputs”.

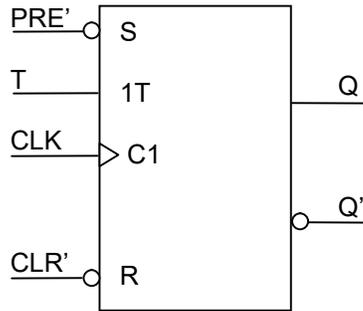


**Characteristic Table**

J	K	Q <sup>+</sup>	Comment
0	0	Q	no change
0	1	0	reset condition
1	0	1	set condition
1	1	Q'	toggle

**Characteristic equation:**  $Q^+ = J \cdot Q' + K' \cdot Q$

❖ Toggle or T Flip Flops



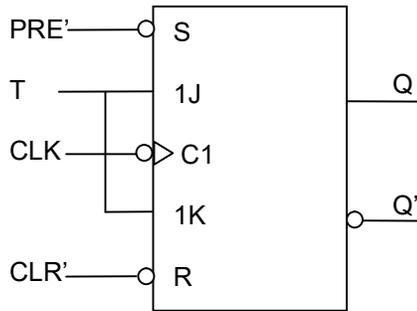
Symbol

Characteristic Table

T	Q <sup>+</sup>	Comment
0	Q	no Change
1	Q'	toggle

Characteristic equation:  $Q^+ = T'.Q + T.Q'$

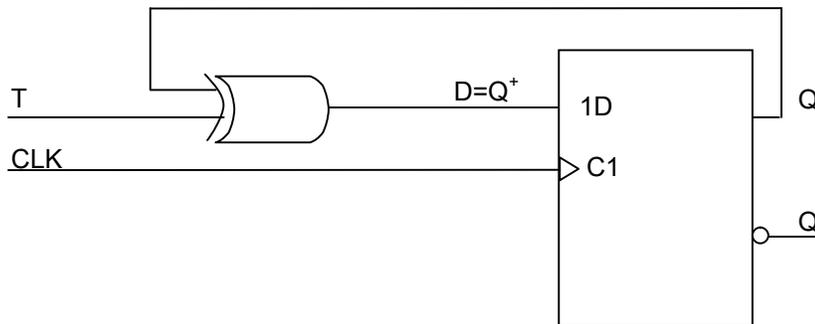
- Using a JK flip-flop to implement a negative-edge-triggered T flip-flop:



Symbol

J=K=T	Q <sup>+</sup>	Comment
0 0 0	Q	no Change
0 1	Invalid	
1 0	Invalid	
1 1 1	Q'	toggle

- Using D flip-flop to implement a positive-edge-triggered T flip-flop:



## 4.6. Sequential Circuit Analysis

Flip-flops may be used to design circuits with feedback, such as counters, shift registers, sequence detectors and controllers.

Feedback systems are classified as synchronous when all changes are synchronized with the system clock. Feedback systems that do not use the system clock and change as the input change are called asynchronous.

Synchronous systems are preferred over asynchronous systems since they will not have hazards and other synchronization issues.

Synchronous systems are also referred to as synchronous finite state machines (FSM).

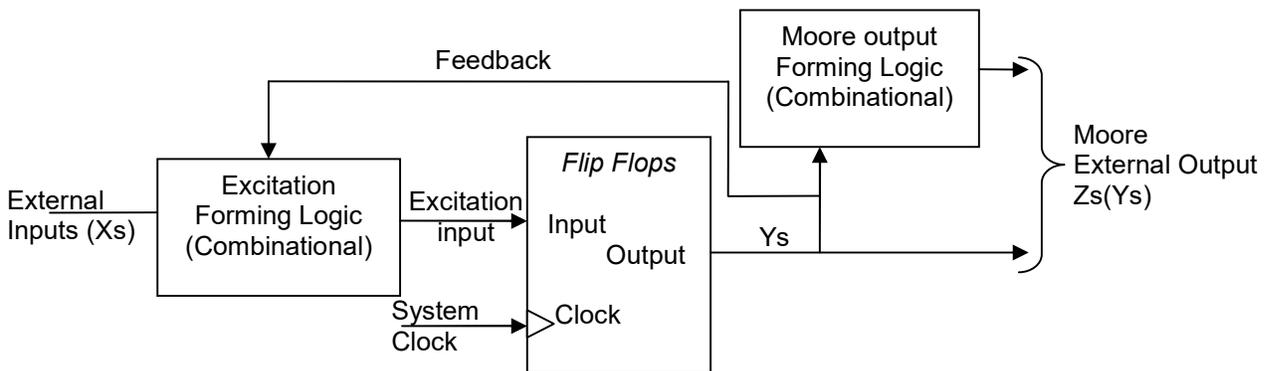
A FSM utilizes a system clock that adheres to the following definitions:

- \* Each period of system clock represents a State-Time
- \* A state represents the state of the flip-flop outputs (value of outputs)
- \* Synchronous external inputs  $\rightarrow X_s$
- \* Current machine state, flip-flop outputs  $\rightarrow Y_s$
- \* Synchronous state machine external outputs  $\rightarrow Z_s$

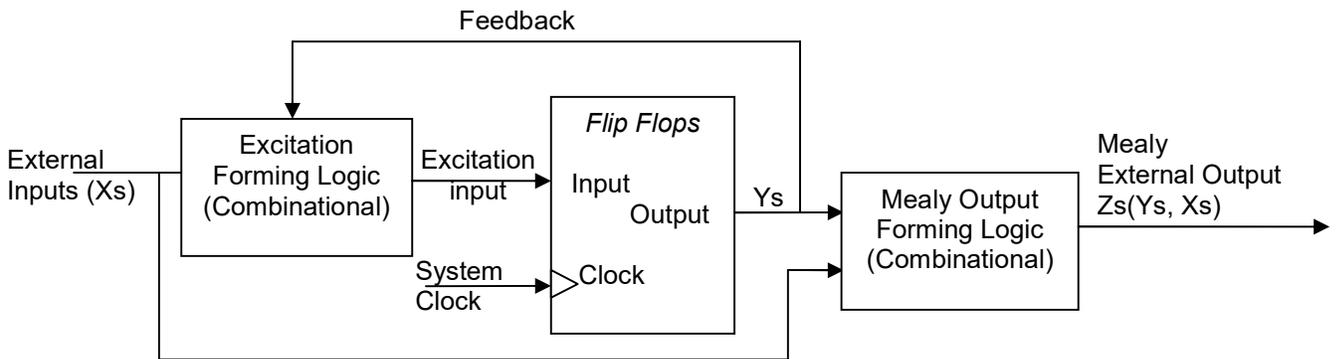
Synchronous state machines may be implemented in one of three models based on the characteristic of its output (Moore, Mealy or mixed-type synchronous state machine):

- Moore-type Synchronous Finite State Machine  
outputs are a function of the state of the machine  $Z_1(Y_1, Y_2, Y_3)$

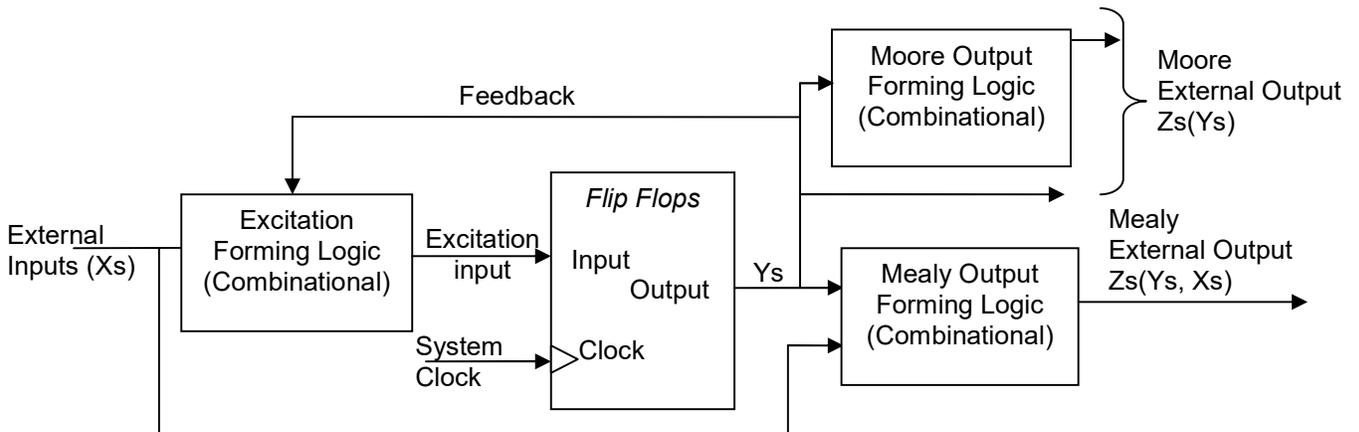
A Binary counter is a good example of Moore machine since the output of the flip-flops can be used to represent the count.



- Mealy-type Synchronous Finite State Machine  
Outputs are a function of the state of the machine and external inputs.  $Z_1(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, X_1, X_2, \dots)$



- Mixed-type Synchronous Finite State Machine  
Some outputs are Mealy-type and others are Moore-type.



- Analyzing Synchronous Systems (General)  
There are five steps in analysis of this type of circuit:

- 1) Assign a present state variable to each flip flop in the synchronous system.  
 $Y_i$  represents flip-flop outputs for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
- 2) Write the excitation-input equation for each of the flip-flops and the external-output (Moore and/or mealy equations). After completing this step,  $D_i, J_i, K_i, T_i$  should be defined where  $i=1, 2, 3 \dots \{\# \text{ of flip-flops used}\}$ .
- 3) Substitute the excitation input equation into the characteristic equations of the flip-flops to obtain the "next state" equations.  
 For D flip-flops  $\rightarrow Y_i^+ = D_i$  for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$   
 For J-K flip-flops  $\rightarrow Y_i^+ = J_i \cdot Y_i + K_i' \cdot Y_i$  for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$   
 For T flip-flops  $\rightarrow Y_i^+ = T_i \text{ <XOR> } Y_i$  for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$
- 4) Obtain a PS/NS table or a composite K-map using the next state and external-out (Mealy and/or Moore) equations. Separate K-maps can be used for the external



PS/NS Table

Y1	Y2	X	Y1 <sup>+</sup>	Y2 <sup>+</sup>	Z
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	1

OR

Composite K-map where:

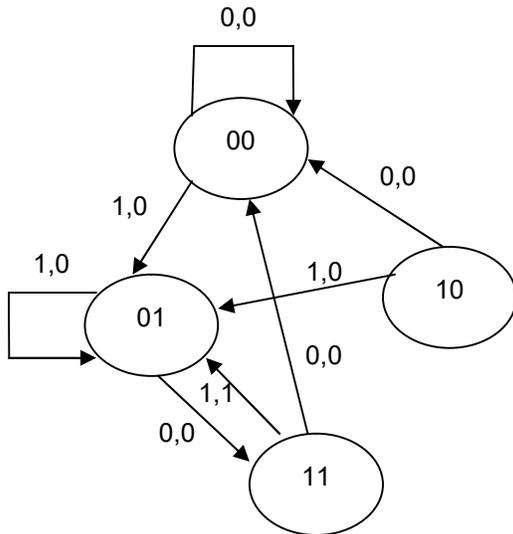
- Ys and Xs are independent variables
- Ys<sup>+</sup> and Zs are Dependent

		X	
		0	1
Y <sub>1</sub> Y <sub>2</sub>	00	00,0	01,0
	01	11,0	01,0
	11	00,0	01,1
	10	00,0	01,0
		Y <sub>1</sub> <sup>+</sup> Y <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> , Z	

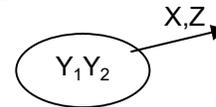
- 5) Use the PS/NS table or the composite K-map to obtain a state diagram, ASM chart or timing diagram to show the behavior of the circuit.

Solutions:

Since there are two flip-flop, the state machine has 4 states.



**Legend**



**Notes**

- 1) State 00 is reset
- 2) Output Z=1 only when the input sequence is 101, so this could be "101" pattern detector.
- 3) State "10" is referred to as "illegal state", "unused state" or an "unreachable state".
- 4) One way to ensure you don't end up in illegal state is to have a power on reset.

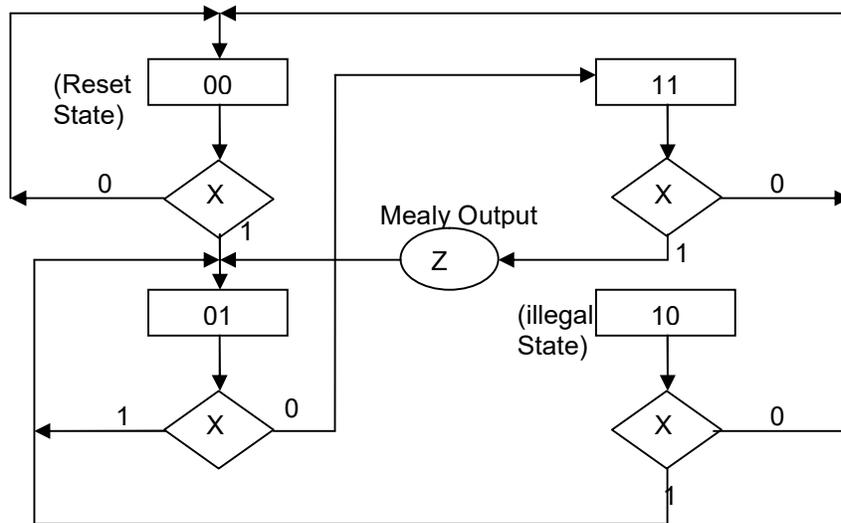
Classic State machine

- \* Links show input, output in 1s and 0s
- \* State is inside the circles

In the case of Moore machines, outputs must be inside the circle because they only depends on the current state.

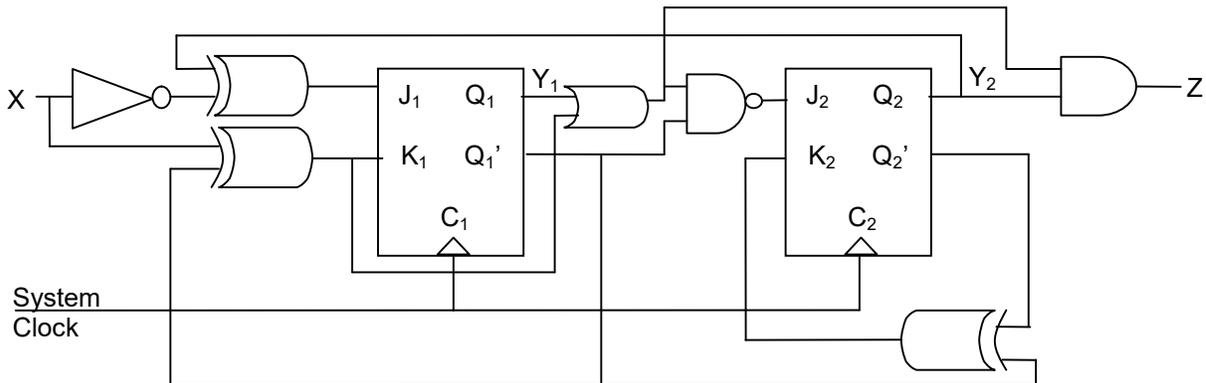
*Note: A simplified State machine shows the links between states in Boolean expressions.*

An alternative method is the use of Algorithmic State Machine (ASM) chart to describe the functionality.



Note: When Z is not shown, it is assumed the output is 0.

- ❖ Analysis of JK Flip-Flop Circuits  
Apply the 5-step FSM analysis to the following circuits:



- 1) Assign a present state variable to each flip flop in the synchronous system.  
Y<sub>i</sub> representing flip-flop outputs for i = 1, 2, 3, ...  
Solution: Refer to the schematics
- 2) Write the Excitation-input equation for JK flip-flop and the equation for the external-output.
- 3) Substitute the excitation-input equation into the characteristic equations for the flip-flops to obtain the "next state" equations.  
For J-K flip-flops  $\rightarrow Y_i^+ = J_i \cdot Y_i' + K_i' \cdot Y_i$  for i=1, 2, 3, ...

$$Y_1^+ =$$

$$Y_2^+ =$$

4) Obtain a PS/NS table.

PS/NS Table

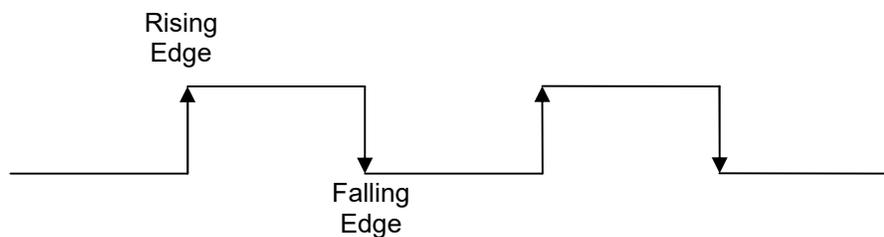
$Y_1$	$Y_2$	$X$	$Y_1^+$	$Y_2^+$	$Z$
0	0	0			
0	0	1			
0	1	0			
0	1	1			
1	0	0			
1	0	1			
1	1	0			
1	1	1			

5) Use the PS/NS table or the composite K-map to obtain a state diagram to show the behavior of the circuit.

❖ **Input Date Synchronization**

Synchronized systems have to accept external-inputs that may not be synchronized with the system clock. Typically, an input is synchronized with the rising or falling edge of the system clock prior to using it in the system:

- In-Phase Synchronization is when the input is synchronized with the rising edge of the system clock.
- Anti-Phase Synchronization is when the input is synchronized with the falling edge of the system clock.



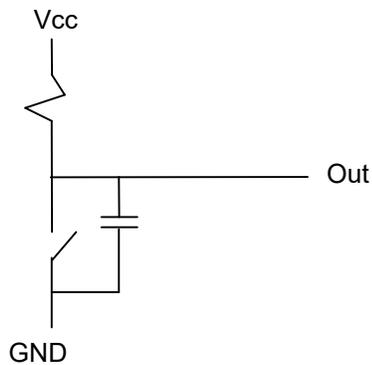
## 4.7. Debouncing Mechanical Switches

Mechanical switches bounce for a few milliseconds before stabilizing in their new position. Meaning, the switch will open and close repeatedly (bounce) when switch is changed to closed position. If the switch is used as an event or an input where each transition is considered a new input then the designer is required to debounce the switch before using the switch value in the rest of the system.

There are numerous approaches to debouncing a switch output. Here are four typical approaches to debouncing:

### ❖ RC Circuit Debounce

The most basic approach is to use a Resistor and Capacitor (RC) circuit to debounce switches. This method uses the time constant ( $\tau = RC$ ) to slow the circuit eliminating the bounce. R and C value will be selected based on duration of switch bounce. Here is the simplest form:

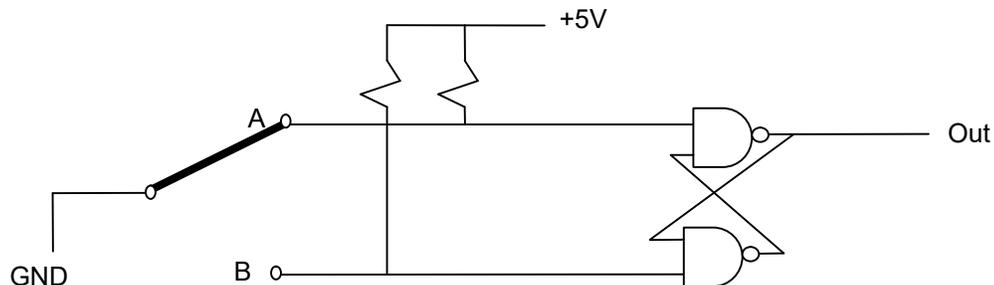


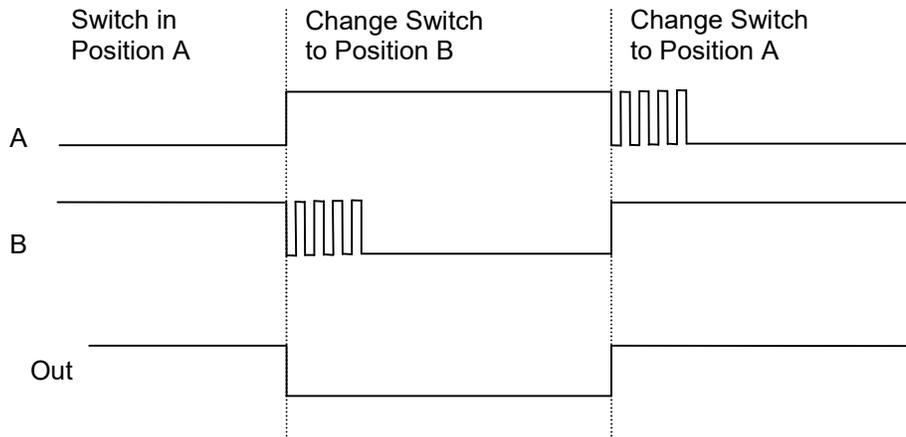
The drawback of this approach is that "Out" transition from low to high may be too slow for use in digital circuits.

### ❖ Flip Flop Design

#### ➤ SR Flip Flop Variation

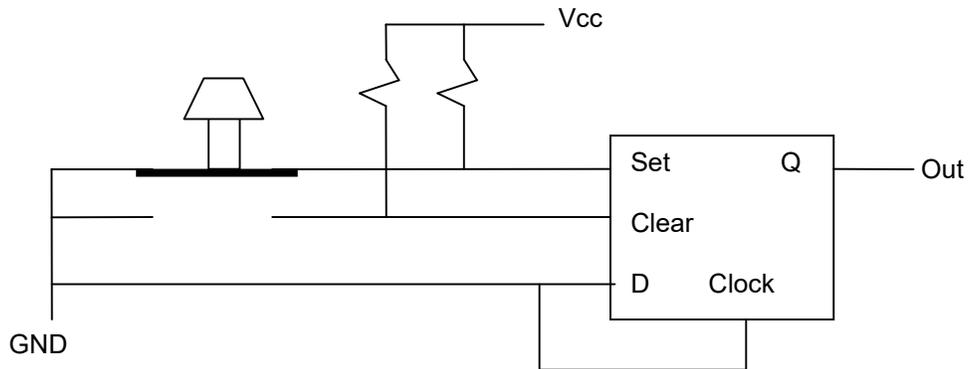
This method uses a variation of SR Flip Flop to debounce a switch output as shown below:





➤ D Flip Flop with Set & Reset

This approach uses a D Flip Flop with Set and Clear to debounce the switch output as shown below



❖ Software Debounce

In systems with microprocessor, it may be advantages to programmatically debounce the switch. This is done by reading the value of switch over a period of time that is longer than debounce time for the switch. The read value will be accepted only if the value is the same across two or more reading.

#### **4.8. Additional Resources**

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 7 “Sequential Logic Design Principles”

#### **4.9. Problems**

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## **Chapter 5. Sequential Circuit Design & Techniques**

### **5.1. Key concepts and Overview**

- ❖ Synchronous Finite State Machine Design (Classical Technique and Examples)
- ❖ State Assignment Encoding, Shift Register Counters, and Enable Inputs
- ❖ Inspection Design Methods for Finite State Machines (Inspection Techniques)
- ❖ Additional Resources
- ❖ Problems

## 5.2. Synchronous Finite State Machine Design (Classical Design)

### ❖ Common Examples of Synchronous FSM

- Up and Down Binary Counters
- Shift Registers
- Sequence Detectors
- Controllers

### ❖ The Seven-Step Design Process for Synchronous Sequential Design (Classical Design)

- 1) Organizing the Design Specifications –Use one or more of the following tools: System Diagram, Timing Diagram, State Diagram or ASM Chart.
- 2) Determine the number of flip-flops based on the number of states  
At this point, designer may choose to design a full encoding or one-hot encoding. Full encoding utilize all possible combinations of the flip-flops and the following inequality is used to decide the number of flip-flops:  
$$2^{\# \text{flip-flop}} \geq \# \text{ States}$$

The other encoding option is one-hot encoding where state is defined by which flip-flop's output is 1. So the number of flip-flop is equal to the number of States.

Once the number of flip-flops is determined, assign one variable for each of the flip-flop output.

- 3) Assign a unique code to each state (a specific value for present state variables)
- 4) Select the flip-flop type to be used, draw the Present State/Next State (PS/NS) table, determine the excitation input equations and the Moore and/or Mealy output equations.

Remember the excitation input and next state relationship flip-flops:

$$D \text{ Flip Flop} \Rightarrow D = Y^+ \text{ or } Y^+ = D$$

$$T \text{ Flip Flop} \Rightarrow T = Y^+ \oplus Y \text{ or } Y^+ = T \oplus Y$$

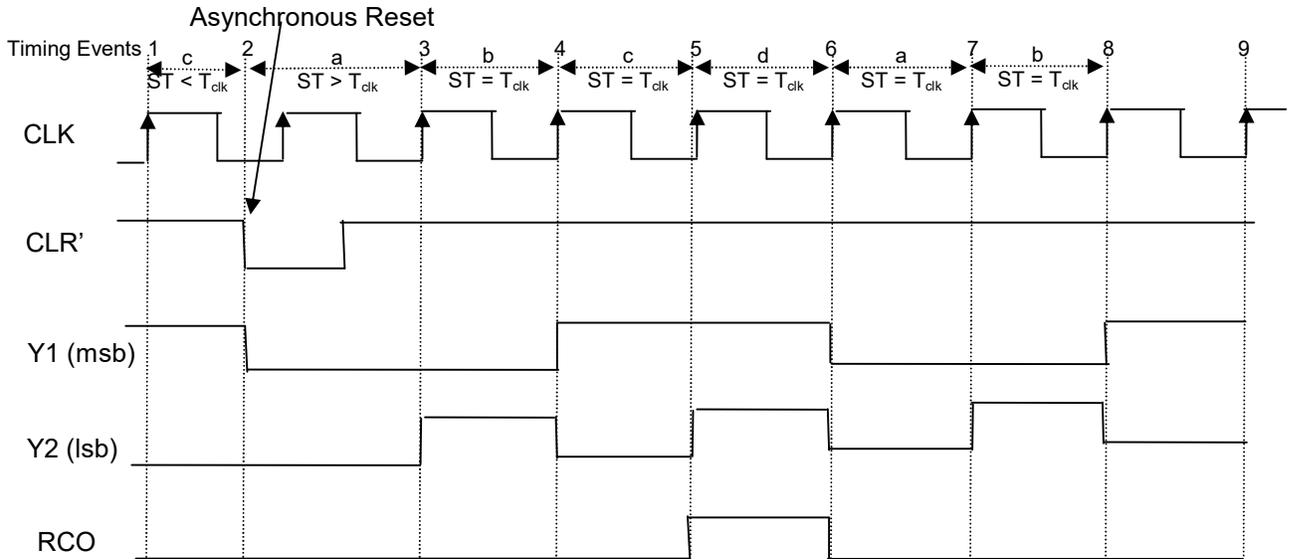
$$JK \text{ Flip Flop} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} J = Y^+ \\ K = \overline{Y^+} \end{matrix} \text{ or } Y^+ = J \cdot \overline{Y} + \overline{K} \cdot Y$$

*Note: D flip-flops are generally preferred for most synchronous sequential designs.*

- 5) Draw the circuit schematic (paper or CAD tool).
- 6) Perform a simulation to test the functionality of the design.
- 7) Implement the design with hardware.

- ❖ EXAMPLE - Design a 2-bit binary up-counter with a ripple carry output (RCO) using D flip-flops. The input CLR' is an asynchronous input that overrides the clock.

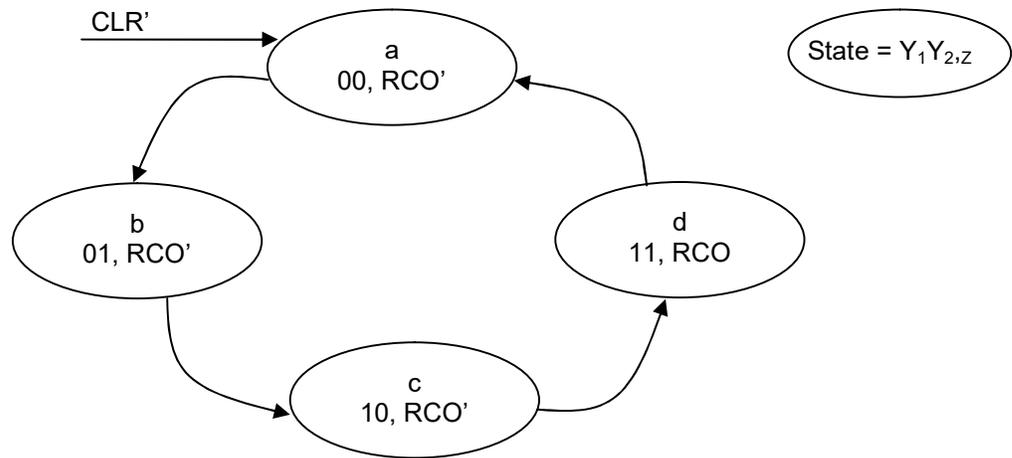
Step1) Design specifications using a timing diagram



\*\*Notes:

- 1)  $T_{clk}$  is the clock period and ST is the state time.
- 2) The first two events are less and then more than  $T_{clk}$ .
- 3) Y1Y2 are the states (counts).
- 4) RCO is a Moore output indicating when the maximum count has been reached.

For completeness, we can also show the state diagrams. Although a timing diagram is more complete, the state diagram is simpler to understand, since it does not contain the clock timing information.



Another way to show the functionality of this circuit is to use a PS/NS table.

Note: The "Next state, NS" is the estate of the machine during the next clock cycle.

Asynchronous Clear Input CLR'	Present State Y1 Y2		Next State Y1 <sup>+</sup> Y2 <sup>+</sup>		Present Output RCO
1	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	0	0	1
0	X	X	0	0	0

**Present State / Next State (PS/NS) Table**

Present State Y1 Y2		Next State Y1 <sup>+</sup> Y2 <sup>+</sup>		Present Output RCO
0	0	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1

**Simplified PS/NS Table**  
(Note: CLR'=0 → Y1Y2=00)

Step 2) Determine the number of flip-flop based on the number of states.  
For full encoding (#states = 4) ≤ 2<sup>(#flip-flop = 2)</sup>.

Step 3) Assign Unique code to each state.  
Already done in the state diagram.

Step 4) Write the excitation-input equations  
The D flip-flop excitation equation is D = Y<sup>+</sup>.  
All we need is the K-map for each of the desired outputs Y<sub>1</sub><sup>+</sup>, Y<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, RCO:

Y1Y2	
00	0
01	1
11	0
10	1

$$D1 = Y1^+$$

$$D1 = Y1'.Y2 + Y1.Y2'$$

$$D1 = Y1 \text{ XOR } Y2$$

Y1Y2	
00	1
01	0
11	0
10	1

$$D2 = Y2^+$$

$$D2 = Y2'$$

Y1Y2	
00	0
01	0
11	1
10	0

$$RCO$$

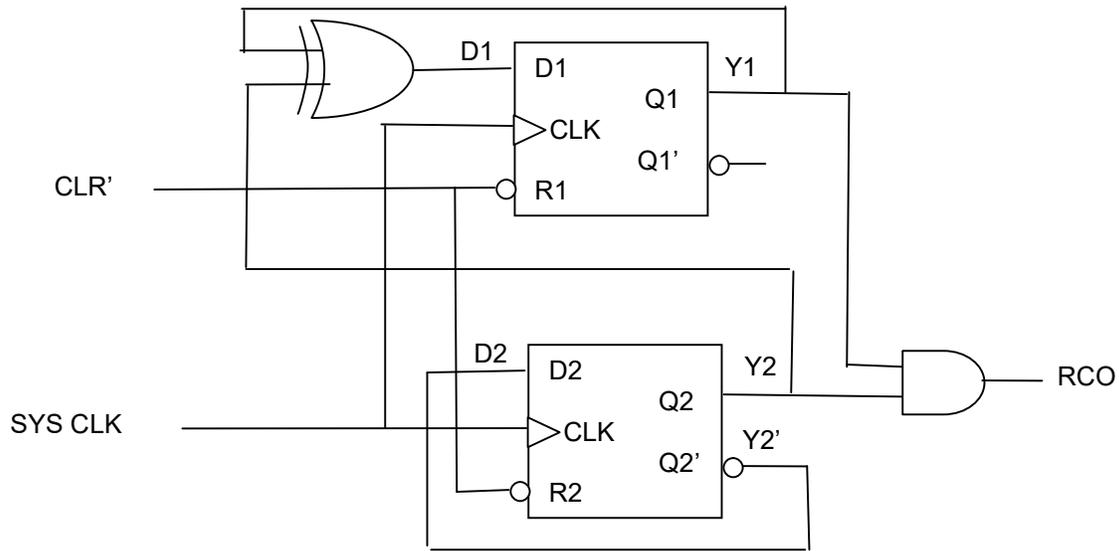
$$D2 = Y1.Y2$$

Y1Y2	Y1 <sup>+</sup>	Y2 <sup>+</sup>	RCO
00	0	1	0
01	1	0	0
11	0	0	1
10	1	1	0

A composite K-map is a short hand for multiple K-maps.

Excitation-inputs and output RCO equations  
derived from separate K maps  
(These equations are also called design equations)

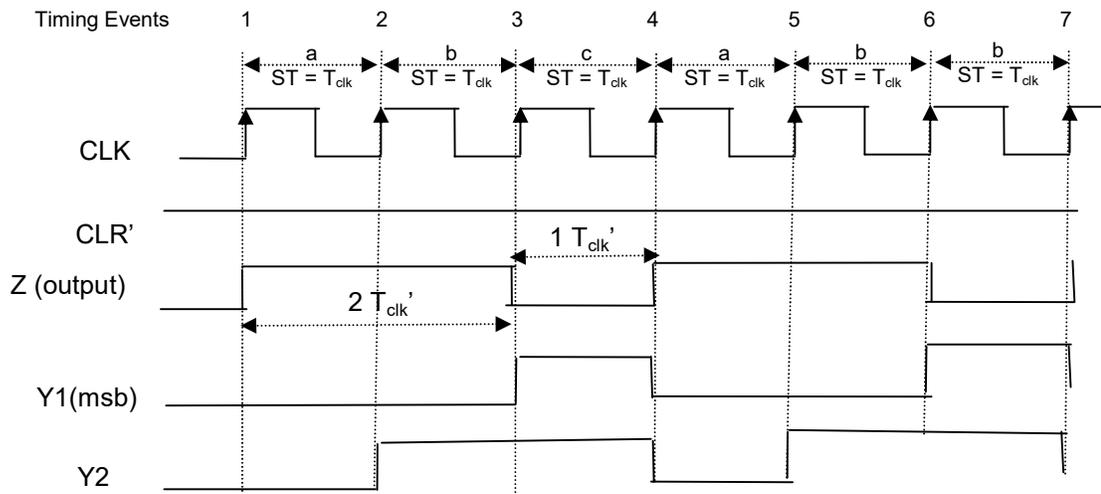
Step 5) Draw the Circuit Schematic.



Steps 6 & 7) Testing and hardware implementation will be skipped for this example.

- ❖ A Second Application of the Classical Design Process:  
Design a synchronous sequential circuit called “Div-by-3”, having an output Z that divides the system clock frequency  $f_{CLK}$  by 3. The output duty cycle of two-thirds (2 CLK cycle high, 1 cycle low). Design the circuit using positive-edge-triggered flip-flops.

Step1) Design Specifications Using a Timing Diagram



Step 2) Determine the number of flip-flop based on the number of State  
 $(\# \text{ state} = 3) \leq 2^{(\# \text{ flip-flop} = 2)}$  Assuming Full Coding

Step 3) Assign a unique code to each state  
 a: 00, b:01; C:11

Step 4) Write the excitation-input equations  
 The D flip flop excitation equation is  $D = Y^+$

All we need is the composite K-map for each of the desired outputs  $Y1^+$ ,  $Y2^+$ ,  $Z$ :

$Y1Y2$	$Y1^+$	$Y2^+$	$Z$
00	0	1	1
01	1	1	1
11	0	0	0
10	-	-	-

$$D1 = Y1^+ = Y1' \cdot Y2$$

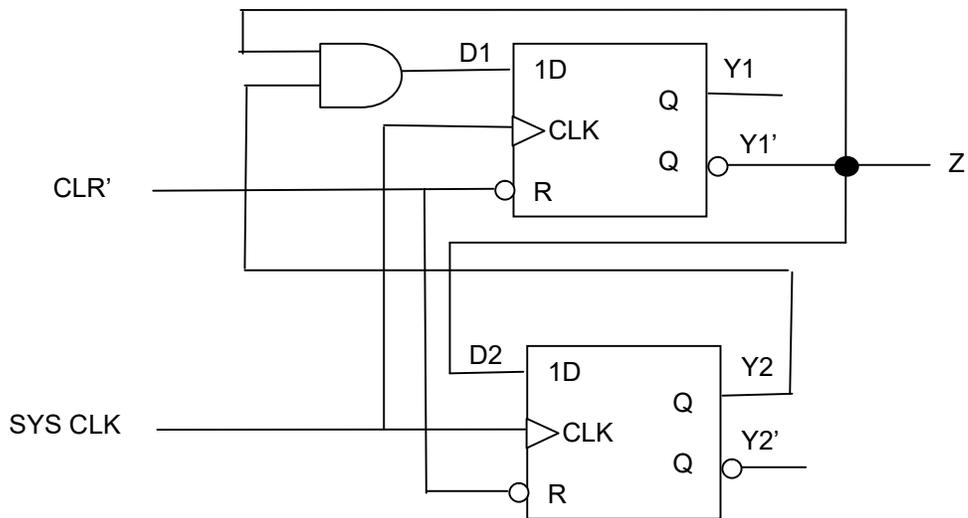
$$D2 = Y2^+ = Y1'$$

$$Z = Y1'$$

10 State is never reached.

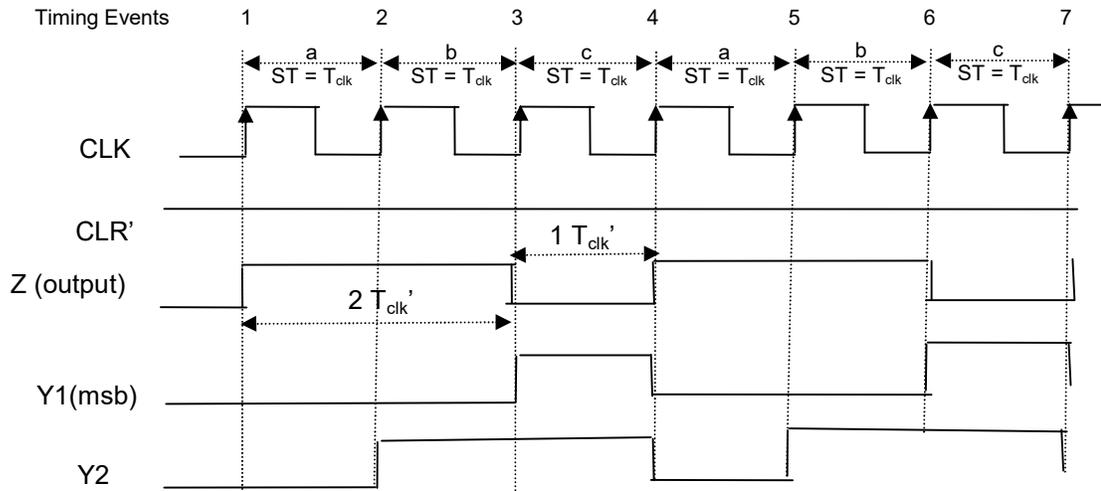
"-" means don't care

Step 5) Draw the Circuit Schematic



- ❖ A third application of the classical design process (using T flip-flop): Design a synchronous sequential circuit identical to the previous example, except implement the design using T flip-flops instead of D flip-flops.

Step1) Design Specifications using a Timing Diagram

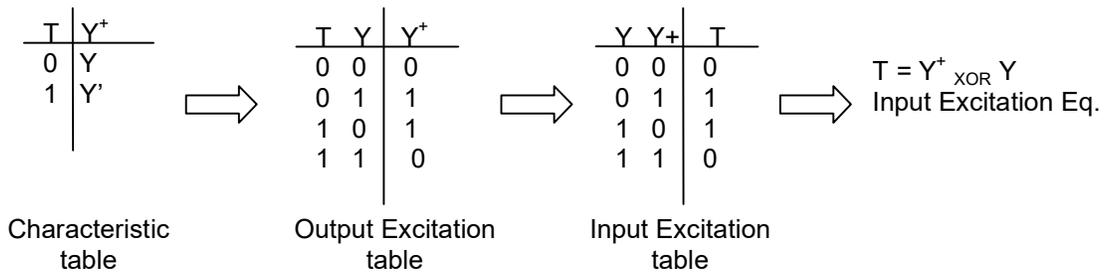


Step 2) Determine the number of flip-flop based on the number of State  
 (#state = 3)  $\leq 2^{(\#flip-flop = 2)}$  Assuming Full Coding

Step 3) Assign a Unique code to each state  
 a: 00, b:01; C:11

Step 4) Write the excitation-input equations:

- The T flip-flop excitation and characteristic equations are  $Y^+ = T \text{ XOR } Y$  and  $T = Y^+ \text{ XOR } Y$   
 Note: You may derive general excitation equation from re-arranging the characteristic table for the T flip flop to obtain the excitation table for the T flip flop as shown below:



- Write the PS/NS table (for T & JK, this intermediate step is helpful)

Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub> <sup>+</sup>	Y <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>	T <sub>1</sub>	T <sub>2</sub>	Z
0	0	0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	-	-	-	-	0

Unused States

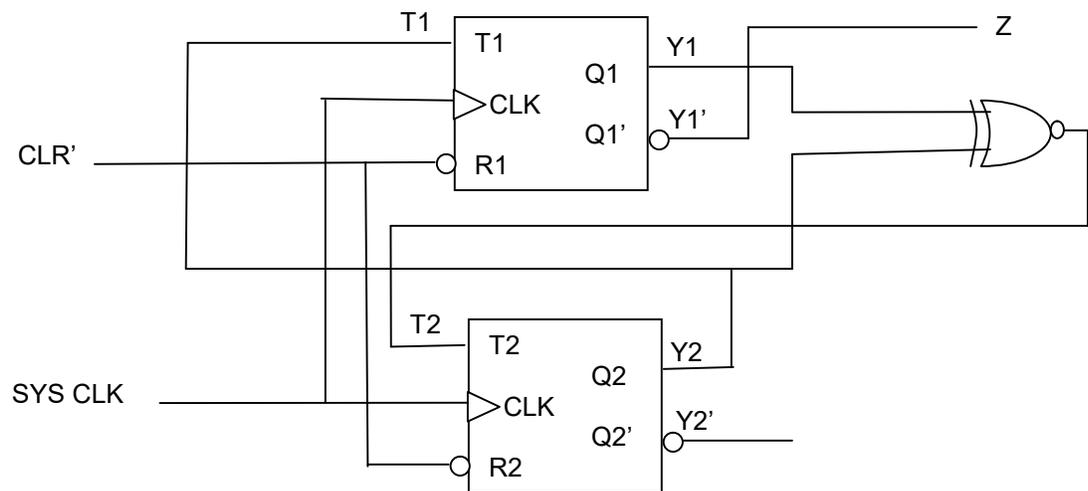
- Draw the composite K-map for each of the desired outputs  $Y1^+$ ,  $Y2^+$ ,  $Z$ :

Y1Y2 \	T1	T2	Z
00	0	1	1
01	1	0	1
11	1	1	0
10	-	-	-

$T1 = Y2$   
 $T2 = Y1' Y2' + Y1 Y2 = Y1 \text{ XNOR } Y2$   
 $Z = Y1'$

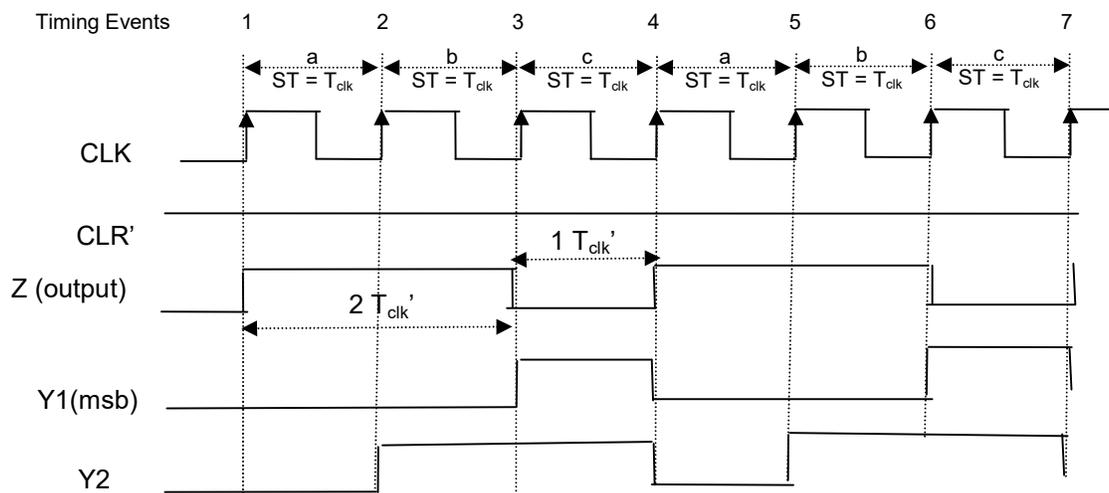
Note: "-" means don't care

Step 5) Draw the Circuit Schematic



- Another Application of the Classical Design Process (using JK flip-flops)  
Design a synchronous sequential circuit identical to the previous example, except implement the design using JK flip-flops.

Step1) Design Specifications Using a Timing Diagram



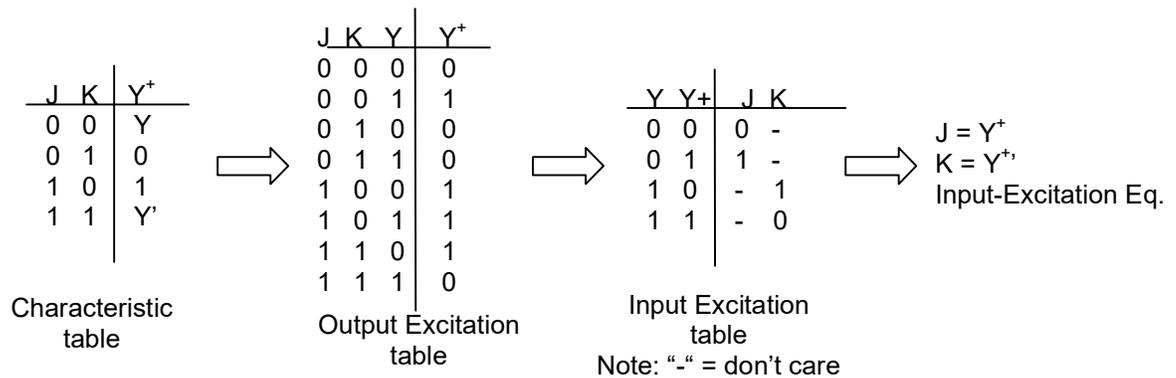
Step 2) Determine the number of flip-flop based on the number of states  
 (#states = 3)  $\leq 2^{(\#\text{flip-flop} = 2)}$  assuming full encoding.

Step 3) Assign Unique code to each state  
 a: 00, b:01; C:11

Step 4) Write the excitation-input equations

The JK flip-flop excitation equation is  $JK \rightarrow Y^+ = J.Y' + K'.Y$

You may derive the general excitation equation from the characteristic table for the JK flip-flop to obtain the excitation table for the JK flip-flop, as shown below:



Write the PS/NS table for JK, flip-flops (this intermediate step is helpful)

Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub> <sup>+</sup>	Y <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>	J <sub>1</sub>	K <sub>1</sub>	J <sub>2</sub>	K <sub>2</sub>	Z
0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

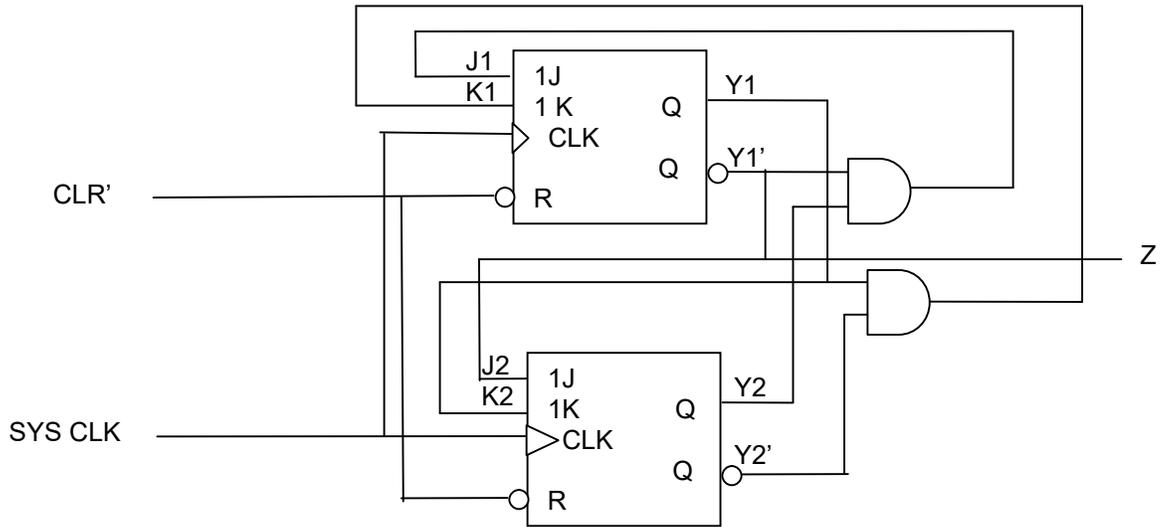
Unused State →

Draw the Composite K-map for each of the desired outputs Y<sub>1</sub><sup>+</sup>, Y<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, Z:

Y <sub>1</sub> Y <sub>2</sub>	J <sub>1</sub>	K <sub>1</sub>	J <sub>2</sub>	K <sub>2</sub>	Z
00	0	1	1	0	1
01	1	0	1	0	1
11	0	1	0	1	0
10	-	-	-	-	-

$J_1 = Y_1'.Y_2$   
 $K_1 = Y_1 + Y_2'$   
 $J_2 = Y_1'$   
 $K_2 = Y_1$   
 $Z = Y_1'$   
 Note: "-" means don't care

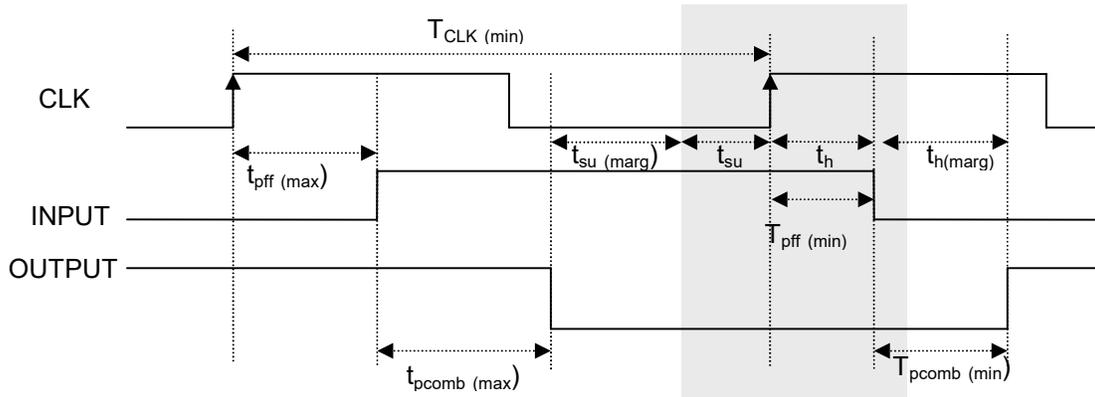
Step 5) Draw the Circuit Schematic



Step 6) Test (with a test plan)

Step 7) Implement

- ❖ Determining the Maximum Clock Frequency of a Synchronous State Machine  
The maximum clock frequency that a system can handle is driven by the set-up, hold and margin times required by the flip flops in the synchronous system.



We can see that the clock frequency is limited by  $f_{\max} = 1/T_{\text{CLK}(\min)}$  as shown below:

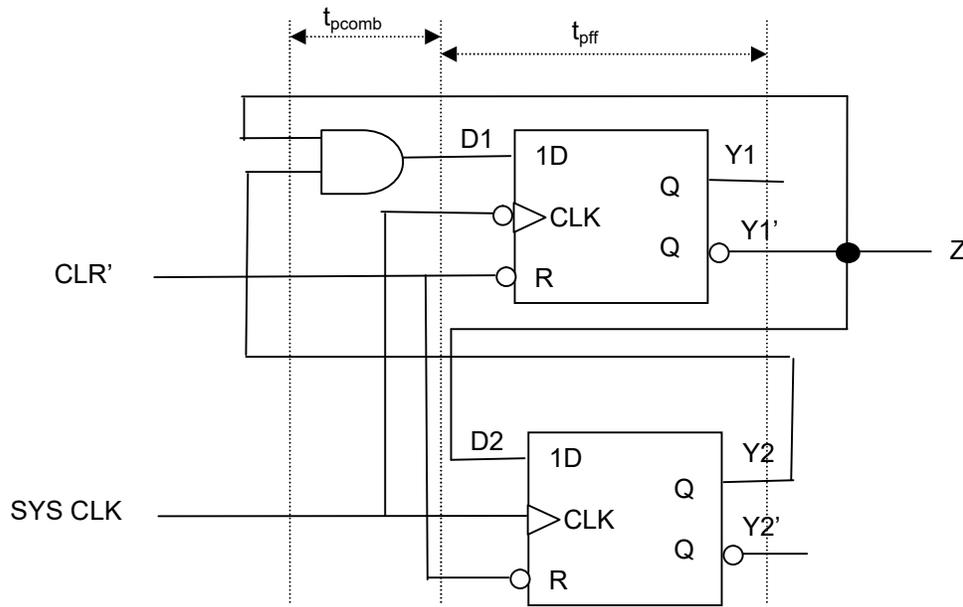
$$T_{\text{CLK}(\min)} = t_{\text{pff}(\max)} + t_{\text{pcomb}(\max)} + t_{\text{marg}} + t_{\text{su}} + t_{\text{h}}$$

where

- $t_{\text{pff}(\max)}$  = Maximum propagation delay time through flip-flop from the clock tick to Q output
- $t_{\text{pcomb}(\max)}$  = Maximum propagation delay time through combinational logic
- $t_{\text{marg}}$  = Margin time, it is always a good design practice to allow for tolerances.
- $t_{\text{su}}$  = Set-up time requirement
- $t_{\text{h}}$  = Hold time requirement

*Note: We assume that  $t_{\text{h}} + t_{\text{h}(\text{marg})} < t_{\text{pff}(\min)} + t_{\text{pcomb}(\min)}$*

- EXAMPLE - Timing  
Determine the absolute maximum clock frequency for the divide-by-3 synchronous machine

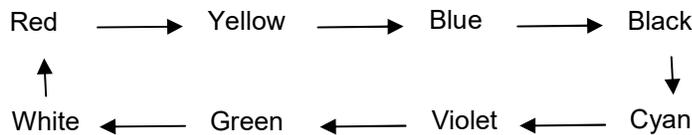


- 74LS08 AND gate  
 $t_{pcomb}$ : Min at 3 ns and Max. at 18 ns
- 75LS175 D-flip-flop  
 $t_{pff}$ : Min at 0 ns and Max. at 42 ns  
 $t_{su}$ : Min at 20 ns  
 $t_h$ : Min at 0 ns
- The fastest clock speed  
 $T_{CLK(min)} = t_{pff(max)} + t_{pcomb(max)} + t_{marg} + t_{su} = 42 + 18 + 0 + 20 = 80$  ns  
 $F_{CLK(max)} = 1/T_{CLK(min)} = 1/80 * 10^{-9} = 12.5$  MHz

12.5 MHz is significantly slower than today's technology, where the average personal computer clock frequency is many GHz.

➤ Example – Design

Design a system (Finite State Machine, FSM) that cycles through the following colors as shown below:



### 5.3. State Assignment Encoding, Shift Register Counters, and Adding an Enable Input

#### ❖ Full-encoding compared to one-hot encoding

- Full encoding uses all possible combinations of flip flop outputs to represent states, so the equation  $2^{\#flip-flop} \geq \#states$  is used to determine the number of flip-flops required. Full encoding:
  - leads to minimum number of Flip Flops.
  - best used with Simple Programmable Logic Devices (SPLDs) and Complex Programmable Logic Devices (CPLDs).
- One-hot encoding, on the other hand, allows only one flip-flop outputs to be active (or “hot”) at any one time. So the equation  $\#flip-flop = \#states$  is used to determine the number of flip-flops required. One-hot encoding:
  - leads to larger number of flip-flops.
  - best used with Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs). FPGAs, which are sometime referred to as “a sea of flip-flops”, has made the use of one-hot encoding a viable approach due its overabundance of flip-flops.

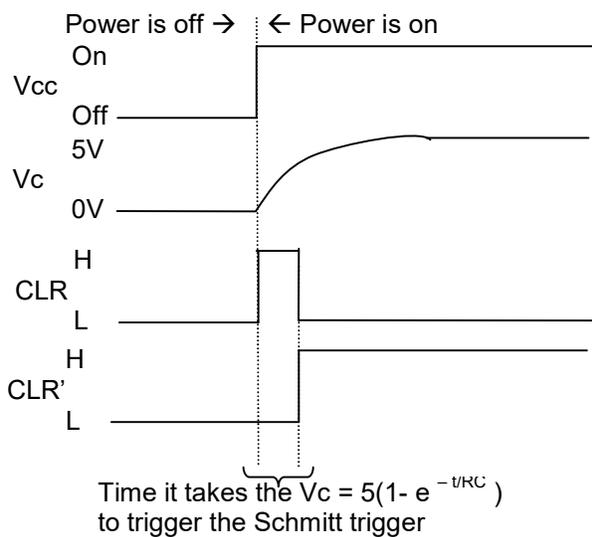
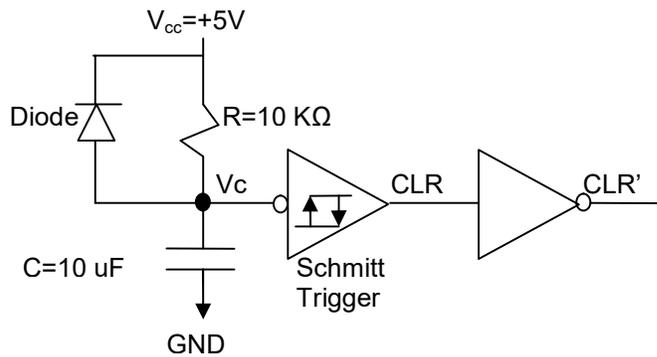
#### ❖ Power-on Reset Circuit

With either type of encoding there may be illegal and/or unreachable states. Additionally, when your system is turned on initially or regains power after an interruption, it is important for it to recover in a predefined state.

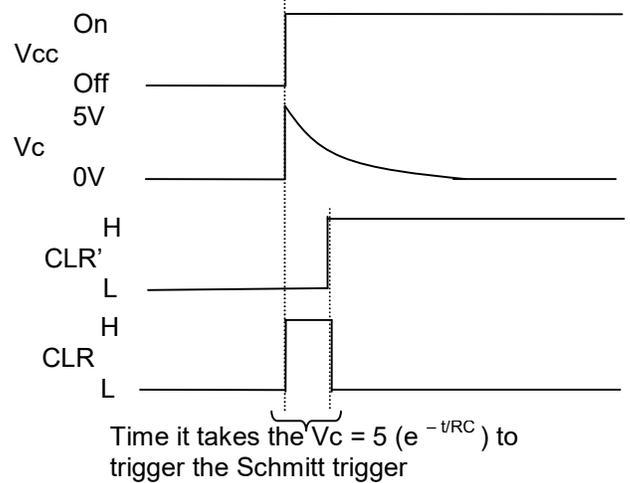
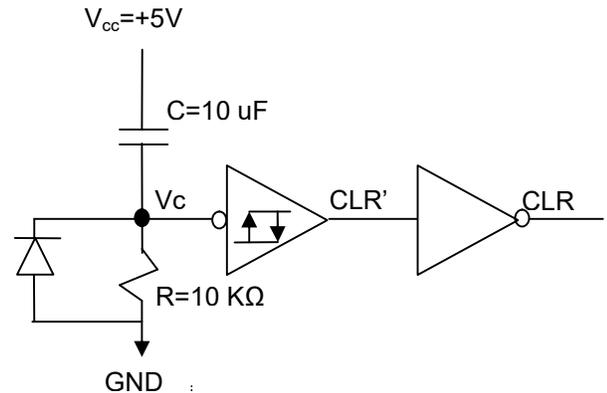
A power-on reset circuit ensures that a reset is generated immediately after a power up condition. This could be used to preset or reset flip flops into the desired state.

Using RC circuits, we can design circuits that generate active high or low signals, depending on our needs, as shown below:

### RC with C grounded



### RC with R grounded



#### ❖ Additional Types of Shift Registers:

- Parallel in/Parallel out
- Parallel in/Serial out
- Serial in/Parallel out
- Serial in/Serial out

#### ❖ Additional Types of Counters:

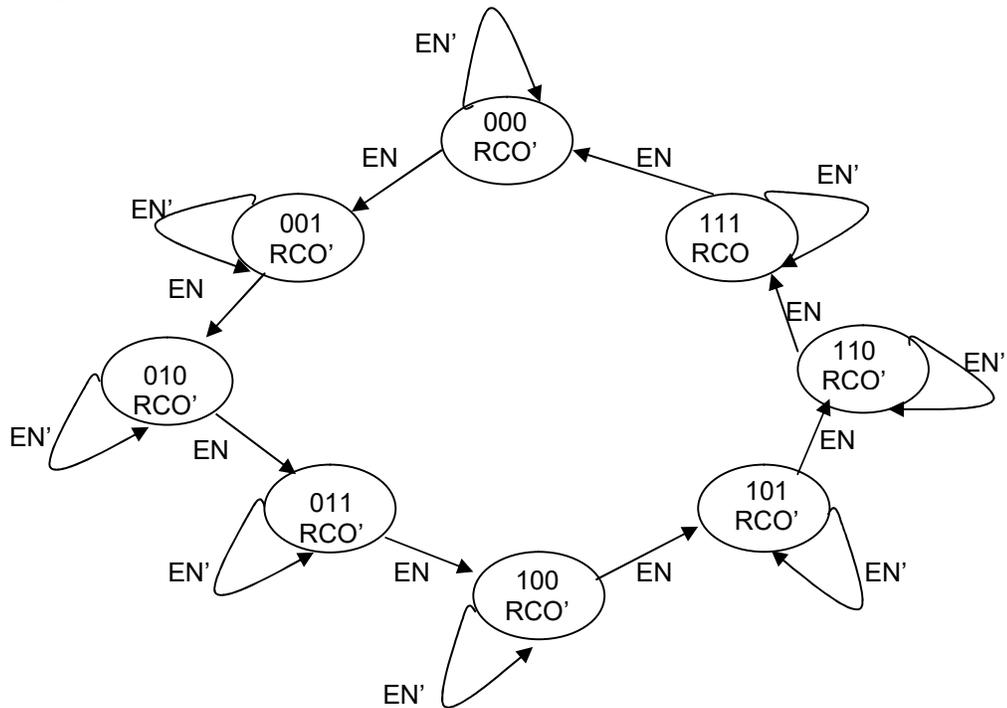
- Ring Counters; a 1 is shifted through each flip-flop while all the other flip-flop outputs are 0. (one hot encoding is a recommended design)
- Twisted Ring Counters (or switch tail ring counter, Johnson counter, mobius counter)
- Linear Feedback Shift Register Counter (or maximum length shift counters)  
Depending on design it will count all possible states, but skips all 0s and 1s states.

*Recommendation: Reader is encouraged to explore full definition of these counters and others through independent research.*

#### ❖ Adding an Enable Input

It may be necessary to stop the count at times and then continue counting. In this section we will design a "Full-Encoded Stoppable Counter". This counter will count up as long as EN is asserted; otherwise it will stop the counting.

➤ State Diagram for a three-bit ( $Y_1Y_2Y_3$ ) Full-Encoded Stoppable Counter



- Most standard counters such as 74XX160, 74XX161, 74XX162, 74XX163 have similar designs.
- RCO can be used to enable the next counter in the cascade (if one exists) to start counting.

❖ Below is a composite K-map for a 3-bit binary up stoppable counter with enable input EN, asynchronous clear input CLR, and ripple-carry out RCO.

$Y_1Y_2Y_3$		$Y_1Y_2Y_3$								
		000	001	011	010	100	101	111	110	
EN	0	000	001	011	010	100	101	111	110	} $Y_1^+ Y_2^+ Y_3^+$
	1	001	010	100	011	101	110	000	111	
		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	} RCO

Note: CLR=1  $\rightarrow$   $Y_1Y_2Y_3 = 000$

The flip-flop input excitation equation and RCO output equation can be derived from the composite K-map or (need 3 flip-flops):

$$D1=Y1^+ = EN.Y1'.Y2.Y3 + Y1.Y2'+Y1.Y3'+EN'.Y1$$

$$D2=Y2^+ = EN.Y2'.Y3 + Y2.Y3'+ EN'.Y2$$

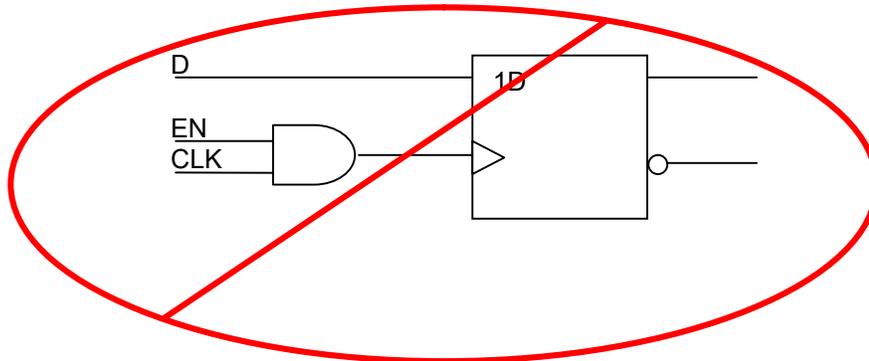
$$D3=Y3^+ = EN.Y3' + EN'.Y3$$

$$RCO = Y1.Y2.Y3$$

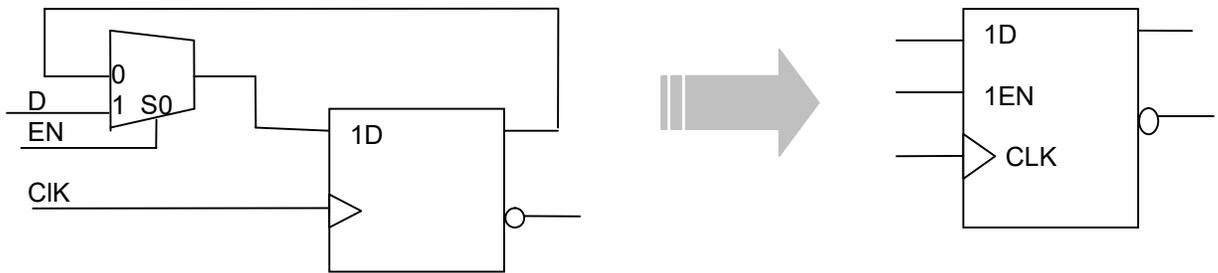
➤ This counter can be designed with one-hot encoding using 8 flip flops.

❖ Using Enable in Synchronous circuits

In order to maintain the benefits of a synchronous system (avoiding clock glitches), it is important that the clock to all of the components be the same (uninterrupted). Here is what NOT TO DO:



Instead, if you need to enable a flip-flop, use one with enable capability designed in or use the MUX as shown:



Flip-flops with enable allows the designers to focus on the input/output synchronization. Enabled flip-flops simply require a connection to the enable pin, similar to the Clear and Preset signals.

## 5.4. Inspection Design Methods for Finite State Machines

The classical design methods are limited to a small number of inputs, states and outputs since the K-maps required become too difficult to draw and work with.

The Inspection Design Method provides ways to write the excitation equation for flip-flops by inspection from a timing diagram, a state diagram, or ASM chart of a synchronous Finite State Machine. By observing or inspecting the present state (PS) and next state (NS) for each state variable, the D, T and J-K excitation equations can be written.

The equations derived using inspections are not typically minimum equations. There are two inspection methods:

- Set-Hold 1 Method  
or
- Clear-Hold 0 Method

❖ **Set - Hold 1 Method for obtaining D excitation-input equations**

We use the following table to write D excitation equations directly from a state diagram, ASM chart or timing diagram.

Present State (PS/NS) Yi Yi'		Di	Comment	User for 1s (Set-Hold 1)	Use for 0s (Clear-Hold 0)
0	0	0	Hold 0 transition		Di'
0	1	1	Set transition	Di	
1	0	0	Clear transition		Di'
1	1	1	Hold 1 transition	Di	

- The "Set-Hold 1 Method" can be used to obtain the D excitation equations for the 1s of each state variable (flip-flop outputs)  

$$D_i = \sum (\text{PS.external input conditions for set}) + \sum (\text{PS.external input conditions for hold 1})$$
 for  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots$

*Note: This method solves for the 1's of the function.*

- We could also apply the "Clear-Hold 0 Method" to obtain the D excitation equations for the 0s of each state variable (flip-flop outputs)  

$$D_i' = \sum (\text{PS.external input conditions for clear}) + \sum (\text{PS.external input conditions for hold 0})$$
 for  $i=1,2,3, \dots$

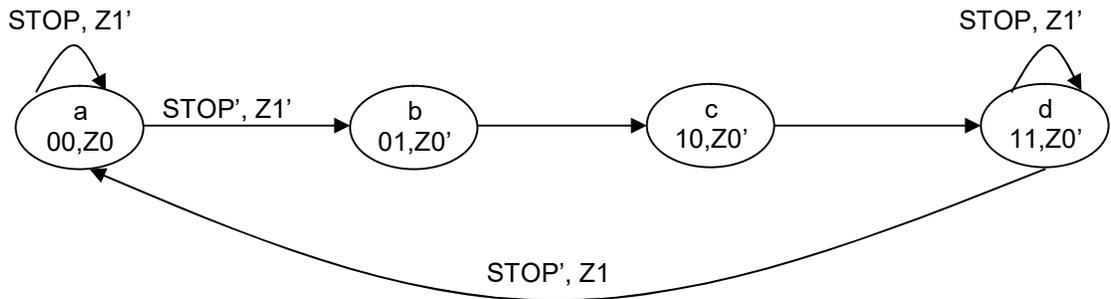
*Note: This method solves for the 0's of the function and it is equivalent to the first method.*

For both of the methods, if we have not completely specified FSM meaning and some state values are don't care, enter them as such so that we can use them in later reduction processes.

- Example - Obtaining the D excitation-input equations from a state diagram  
 Obtain the excitation equations for the following state diagram of a mixed (Mealy-Moore) machine.

State → Y1Y2  
 Input → STOP

Output → Z0 Z1



- By observing (or inspecting) all set transitions ( $Y1 = 0 \rightarrow Y1^+ = 1$ ) and all Hold 1 transitions ( $Y1 = 1 \rightarrow Y1^+ = 1$ ) we can write the D1 excitation equation from the state diagram:  
 $D1 = Y1'.Y2 + Y1.Y2' + Y1.Y2.STOP$

- Repeat the previous step for D2 using Y2 transitions  
 By observing (or inspecting) all transitions ( $Y2 = 0 \rightarrow Y2^+ = 1$ ) and all Hold 1 transitions ( $Y2 = 1 \rightarrow Y2^+ = 1$ ) we can write the D1 excitation equation, from the state diagram:  
 $D2 = Y1'.Y2'.STOP' + Y1.Y2' + Y1.Y2.STOP$

Note: We could also look for the 0's function using Clear-hold 0 method to find D1' and D2'

- Based on the state diagram Z0 is a Moore-type output since it only depends on the state variables (flip-flop outputs).

We will use a K-map with state variables to find minimized the Z0 equation.

	Y2	
	0	1
Y1		
0	1	0
1	0	0

$$Z0 = Y1'.Y2'$$

Z1 is a Mealy-type output since it depends on both the state variables and external input  
 We will use a K-map with state variables plus external input to find minimize Z1 equation

	Y1Y2			
	00	01	11	10
STOP				
0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	0

$$Z0 = Y1.Y2.STOP'$$

- Example - Design a 2-bit up-and-down counter using the inspection design Method.
  - Draw system diagram

- Draw the Present/Next State Table

- Write the Excitation-Input Equations  
 $D_i = \Sigma(\text{PS.external input for set}) + \Sigma(\text{PS.external input for hold 1})$

- Draw the schematics

- Set-Clear Method for obtaining T Excitation-Input Equations  
 The following table will be used to write T excitation equations directly from a state diagram, ASM chart, or a timing diagram.

Present State (PS/NS) Y <sub>i</sub> Y <sub>i</sub> <sup>+</sup>		T <sub>i</sub>	Comment	User for 1s (Set-Hold 1)	Use for 0s (Clear-Hold 0)
0	0	0	Hold 0 transition		T <sub>i</sub> '
0	1	1	Set transition	T <sub>i</sub>	
1	0	1	Clear transition	T <sub>i</sub>	
1	1	0	Hold 1 transition		T <sub>i</sub> '

- The “Set – Clear Method” can be used to obtain the T excitation equations for the 1s of each state variable (flip flop outputs)  
 $T_i = \Sigma(\text{PS.external input conditions for set}) + \Sigma(\text{PS.external input conditions for clear})$   
 for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

*Note: This method solves for the 1's of the function.*

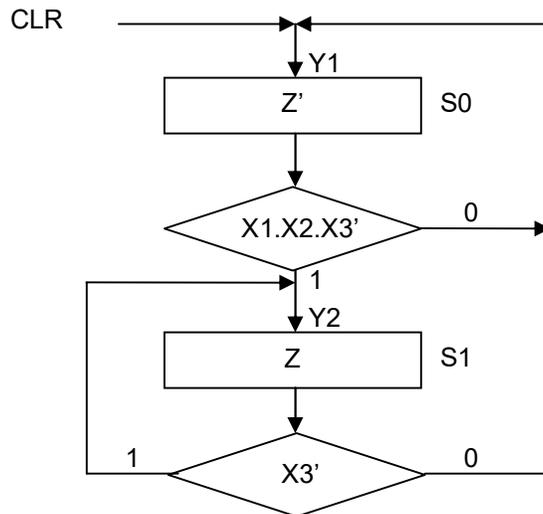
- We could also apply the “Hold 0 - Hold 1 Method” to obtain the T excitation equations for the 0s of each state variable (flip flop outputs)

$$T_i' = \sum (\text{PS. external input conditions for Hold } 0) + \sum (\text{PS. external input conditions for hold } 1) \\ \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

*Note: This method solves for the 0's of the function and it is equivalent to the first method.*

- Example - T Excitation-Input Equations from an ASM Chart  
Obtain the excitation equations for the one-hot encoded synchronous Moore-type state machine from the following ASM Chart.

State → Y1Y2 (S0=10 and S1=01 are used and all others are unreachable)  
Input → X1 X2 X3  
Output → Z



- By observing all the sets ( $Y1 = 0 \rightarrow Y1^+ = 1$ ) and all clears ( $Y1 = 1 \rightarrow Y1^+ = 0$ ), we can write the T1 excitation equation, from the state diagram:

$$T1 = Y2.X3 + Y1.(X1.X2.X3')$$

- Repeat the previous step for T2 using Y2 transitions  
By observing all the sets ( $Y2 = 0 \rightarrow Y2^+ = 1$ ) and all clears ( $Y2 = 1 \rightarrow Y2^+ = 0$ ), we can write the T2 excitation equation, from the state diagram:

$$T2 = Y2.X3 + Y1.(X1.X2.X3')$$

Note that T1 and T2 were the same. This is not the norm, and just occurred for this machine.

- Based on the ASM Chart, this is a Moore machine because the output depends only on the state variables (flip-flop output)  
 $Z = Y2$

- Set – Clear method for obtaining **J-K** Excitation-Input Equations  
The following table will be used to write the JK excitation equations directly from state diagram, ASM chart, or a timing diagram.

Present State (PS/NS) Yi Yi <sup>+</sup>		Ji Ki	Comment	User for 1s (Set-Hold 1)	Use for 0s (Clear-Hold 0)
0	0	0 -	Hold 0 transition		Ji'
0	1	1 -	Set transition	Ji	
1	0	- 1	Clear transition	Ki	
1	1	- 0	Hold 1 transition		Ki'

\*\*Note: "-" indicates don't care

- The "Set - Clear Method" can be used to obtain the J-K excitation equations for the 1s of each state variable (flip-flop outputs)
 
$$J_i = \sum (\text{PS. external input conditions for set}) \quad \text{when } Y_i = 0 \text{ for } i=1,2,3,\dots$$

$$K_i = \sum (\text{PS. external input conditions for clear}) \quad \text{when } Y_i = 1 \text{ for } i=1,2,3,\dots$$

Note: This method solves for 1's of the function.

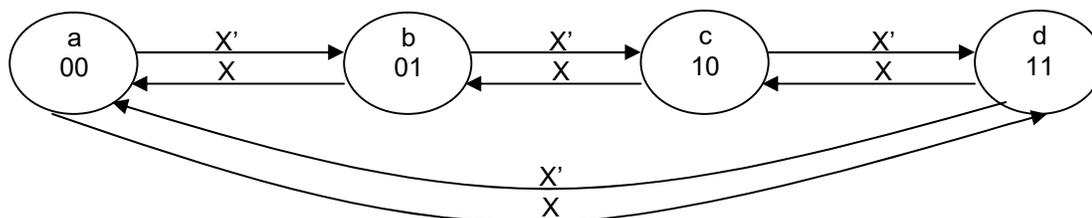
- We could also apply the "Hold 0 - Hold 1 Method" to obtain the T excitation equations for the 0s of each state variable (flip-flop outputs)
 
$$J_i' = \sum (\text{PS. external input conditions for hold 0}) \quad \text{when } Y_i = 0 \text{ for } i=1,2,3,\dots$$

$$K_i' = \sum (\text{PS. external input conditions for hold 1}) \quad \text{when } Y_i = 1 \text{ for } i=1,2,3,\dots$$

Note: This method solves for 0's of the function and it is equivalent to first method.

- Example - J-K excitation Equation from state diagram  
Design a synchronous 2-bit Binary up down counter that counts up when input signal X=0 and counts down when input signal X=1

State → Y1Y2  
Input → X



- Use the "Set - Clear Method" to obtain the J-K excitation equations for the 1s of each state variable (flip-flop outputs)
  - By observing all the sets ( $Y_1 = 0 \rightarrow Y_1^+ = 1$ ), we can write the J1 excitation equation, from the state diagram:
 
$$J_1 = Y_1' \cdot Y_2 \cdot X' + Y_1' \cdot Y_2' \cdot X = Y_2' \cdot X + Y_2 \cdot X'$$
  - By observing all the clears ( $Y_1 = 1 \rightarrow Y_1^+ = 0$ ), we can write the K1 excitation equation, from the state diagram:
 
$$K_1 = Y_1 \cdot Y_2' \cdot X + Y_1 \cdot Y_2 \cdot X' = Y_2' \cdot X + Y_2 \cdot X'$$
- Repeat Step 1 for the second Flip Flop  
Use the "Set - Clear Method" to obtain the J-K excitation equations for the 1s of each state variable (flip flop outputs)
  - By observing all the sets ( $Y_2 = 0 \rightarrow Y_2^+ = 1$ ), we can write the J2 excitation equation, from the state diagram:

$$J_2 = Y_1' \cdot Y_2' \cdot X' + Y_1' \cdot Y_2' \cdot X + Y_1 \cdot Y_2' \cdot X' + Y_1 \cdot Y_2' \cdot X = Y_1' \cdot Y_2' + Y_1 \cdot Y_2' = Y_2'$$

- By observing all the clears ( $Y_2 = 1 \rightarrow Y_2^+ = 0$ ), we can write the K2 excitation equation, from the state diagram:

$$K_2 = Y_1' Y_2 X' + Y_1' Y_2 X + Y_1 Y_2 X' + Y_1 Y_2 X = Y_1' \cdot Y_2 + Y_1 \cdot Y_2 = Y_2$$

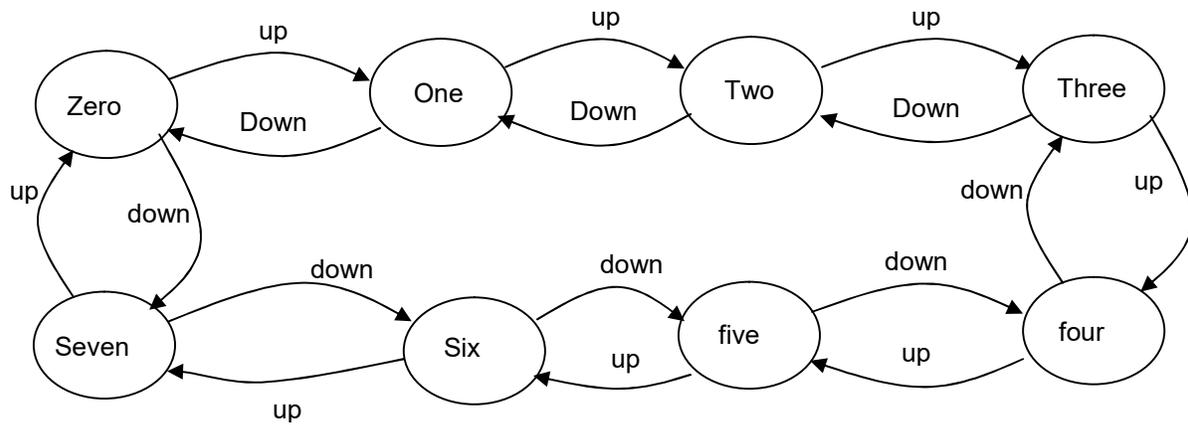
## 5.6. FSM Design Examples

- ❖ Design a 3-bit up/down binary counter.

Solution:



Step 1 – State Diagram Describing the system



*Note:*

*Counter changes with each clock which is not shown on state diagram.*

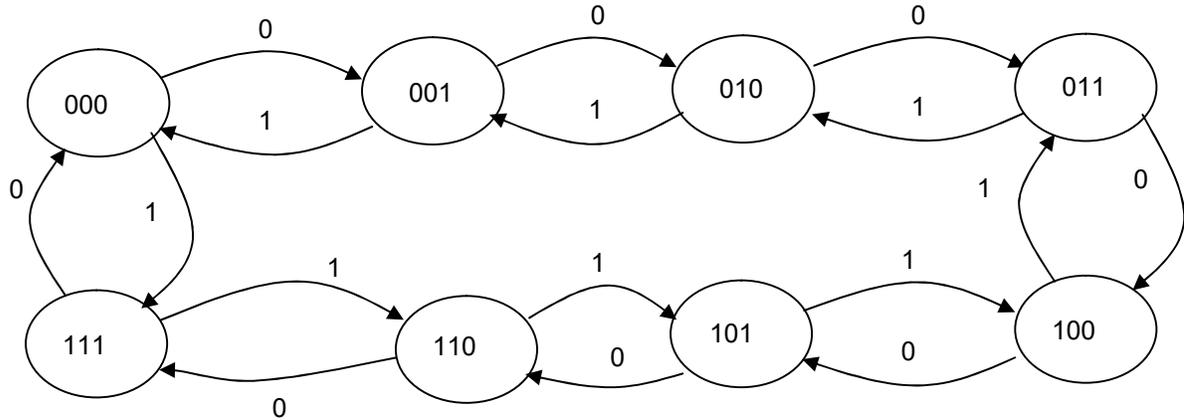
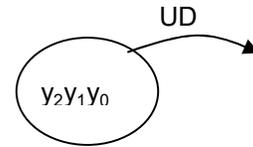
Step 2 - 8 possible state → 3 Flip Flops required  
Use D flip flop since not specified.

Step 3 – Assign State variables and redraw state diagram

**Notes:**

1) **State Assignment:** Binary value ( $y_2y_1y_0$ ) Equivalent to the count.

2) **Output:** same as state variables ( $y_2y_1y_0$ ).



Step 4 – Excitation Input and Output Equation

Note:  $T = y \text{ (xor) } y^+$

Present State			Ext. Input	Next State		
$y_2$	$y_1$	$y_0$		$UD$	$D_2=y_2^+$	$D_1=y_1^+$
0	0	0	0			
0	0	0	1			
0	0	1	0			
0	0	1	1			
0	1	0	0			
0	1	0	1			
0	1	1	0			
0	1	1	1			
1	0	0	0			
1	0	0	1			
1	0	1	0			
1	0	1	1			
1	1	0	0			
1	1	0	1			
1	1	1	0			
1	1	1	1			

$y_1y_0 \backslash k_1k_0$	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11				
10				

$$z_0 = y_0^+ = D_0 =$$

$y_1y_0 \backslash k_1k_0$	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11				
10				

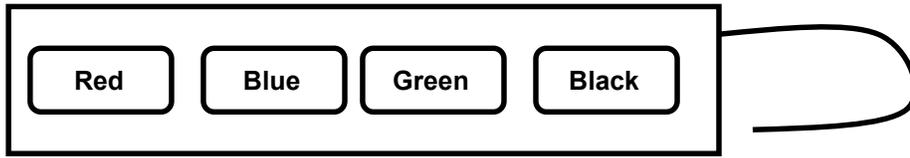
$$z_1 = y_1^+ = D_1 =$$

$y_1y_0 \backslash k_1k_0$	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11				
10				

$$z_2 = y_2^+ = D_2 =$$

Step 5 – Schematics

- ❖ Design a 4-button lock (red, blue, green and black) using T flip flop. The lock will open only when Red, Green, Black and Red buttons are pressed in sequence.



Note: Assigning 2-bit value to each button will reduce the complexity of design.

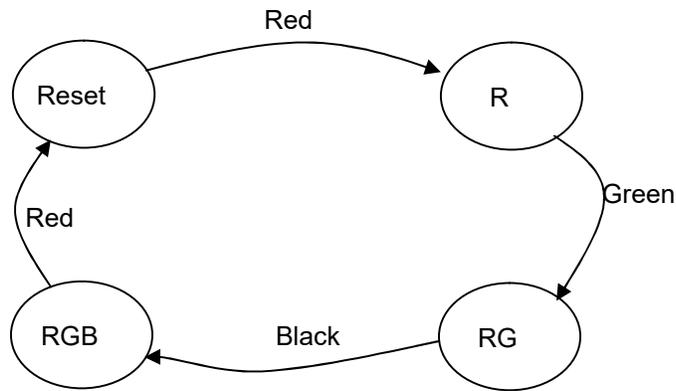
Solution:

**Key Code**

<u>k1</u>	<u>k0</u>	<u>Color</u>
0	0	Red
0	1	Blue
1	0	Green
1	1	Black



Step 1 – State Diagram Describing the system



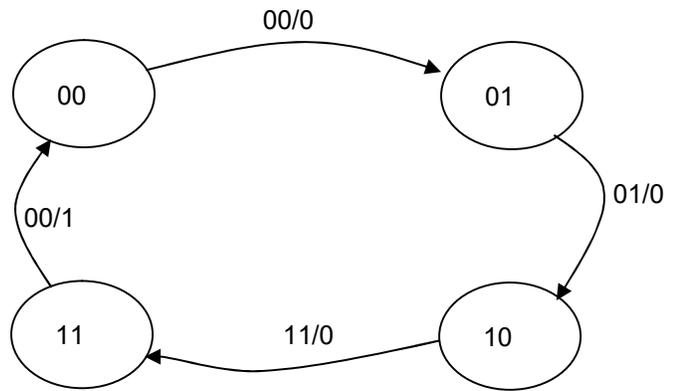
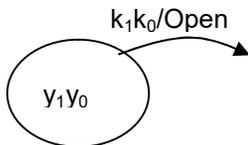
Note:  
All input not shown will move the FSM to Reset State.

Step 2 - 4 possible state → 2 Flip Flops required  
Use D flip flop since not specified.

Step 3 – Assign State variables and redraw state diagram

**State Assignment**

$y_1$	$y_0$	State Name
0	0	Reset
0	1	R
1	0	RG
1	1	RGB



Note:  
All input not shown will move the FSM to Reset State.

Step 4 – Excitation Input and Output Equation

Note:  $T = y \text{ (xor) } y^+$

Present State		Input		Next State		Excitation Input		Output
$y_1$	$y_0$	$k_1$	$k_0$	$y_1^+$	$y_0^+$	$T_1$	$T_0$	Open
0	0	0	0	0	1			
0	0	0	1	0	0			
0	0	1	0	0	0			
0	0	1	1	0	0			
0	1	0	0	0	0			
0	1	0	1	1	0			
0	1	1	0	0	0			
0	1	1	1	0	0			
1	0	0	0	0	0			
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1	1	0	0	0	0			
1	1	0	1	0	0			
1	1	1	0	0	0			
1	1	1	1	0	0			

$y_1y_0 \backslash k_1k_0$	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11				
10				

$T_0 =$

$y_1y_0 \backslash k_1k_0$	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11				
10				

$T_1 =$

$y_1y_0 \backslash k_1k_0$	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11				
10				

Open =

Step 5 – Schematics

- ❖ Design the control for a video arcade game that cost \$0.50 to play. Your design should accept quarter and nickel coins and have a return coin button.

Solution:

Step 0 – System Diagram & modularization

Step 1 – State Diagram Describing the system

Step 2 - ..... possible state → ..... Flip Flops required

Step 3 – Assign State variables and redraw state diagram

Step 4 – Excitation Input and Output Equation

Step 5 – Schematics

- ❖ Design a vending machine control that accepts nickels, quarters and dollar bills. All products are priced at \$1.00. User may select one of 25 products that will be delivered once user has deposited sufficient funds..  
*Note: Use modularization to breakdown the design to modules to reduce the design complexity of each design.*

Solution:

Step 0 – System Diagram & modularization

Step 1 – State Diagram Describing the system

Step 2 - ..... possible state → ..... Flip Flops required

Step 3 – Assign State variables and redraw state diagram

Step 4 – Excitation Input and Output Equation

Step 5 – Schematics

## 5.7. Additional Resources

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 8 “Sequential Logic Design Practices”

## 5.8. Problems

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## **Chapter 6. Finite State Machine Optimization & Testing**

### **6.1. Key concepts and Overview**

- ❖ State Minimization and FSM Design Process
- ❖ State Minimization/Reduction Using Implication Chart (or Table)
- ❖ Design for Testability (Scan test, Linear Feedback Shift Register and primitive Polynomials)
- ❖ Additional Resources
- ❖ Problems

## 6.2. State Minimization and FSM Design Process

The state minimization is done after the fourth step of the seven steps of Finite State Machine (FSM) classical design:

- 1) Organize the Design Specifications –Using one or more of the following:  
Timing Diagram, State Diagram, ASM Chart or Present State/Next State (PS/NS) table
- 2) Determine the number of flip-flops based on the number of states.  
Full encoding  $\rightarrow 2^{\#\text{flip-flop}} \geq \# \text{ states}$   
or  
one-hot encoding  $\rightarrow \#\text{flip-flop} = \# \text{ States}$

Next assign one present state variable to each flip-flop output.

- 3) Assign a unique code to each state (a specific value for present-state variables).
- 4) Select the flip-flop type to be used, then determine the excitation input equations and the Moore and/or Mealy output equations.

The excitation-input equations for common flip-flops are shown below:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{JK} &\rightarrow Y^+ = J.Y' + K'.Y \\ \text{T} &\rightarrow Y^+ = T_{\text{XOR}} Y \\ \dots\text{D} &\rightarrow Y^+ = D \end{aligned}$$



- 5) Draw the circuit schematic (pencil/paper or CAD tools).
- 6) Perform a simulation to test the functionality of the design.
- 7) Implement the design in hardware.

### 6.3. State Minimization Using an Implication Chart (or Table)

The Implication Chart Method is a systematic approach to find the states that can be combined into a single reduced state. This method is cumbersome to do by pencil and paper, but it is well-suited for automation because it is a systematic approach.

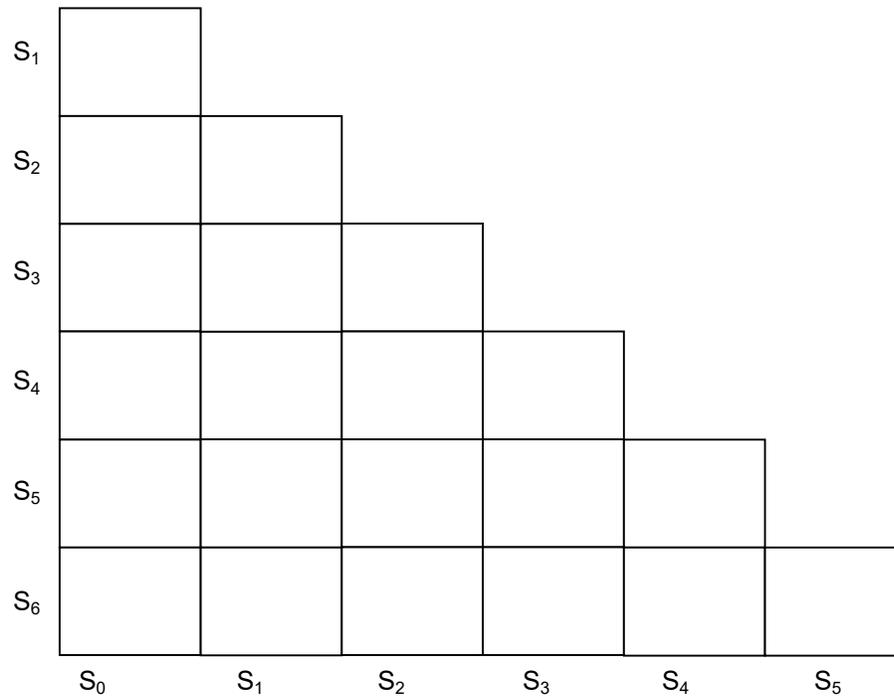
❖ Minimization procedure with an Implication Chart

A 3-bit sequence detector example is used here to demonstrate the Implication Chart use in state minimization.

- **Problem Statement**  
Design a binary sequence detector with the minimum number of states that outputs a 1 whenever the machine has observed the serial input sequence 010 or 110.
- **Step 1) Use the problem statement to write the Present/Next State Table**  
(It may help to first do a state diagram.)

Input Sequence	Present State	Next State		Output	
		X=0	X=1	X=0	X=1
Reset	S <sub>0</sub>	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>2</sub>	0	0
0	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>4</sub>	0	0
1	S <sub>2</sub>	S <sub>5</sub>	S <sub>6</sub>	0	0
00	S <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>4</sub>	0	0
01	S <sub>4</sub>	S <sub>5</sub>	S <sub>6</sub>	1	0
10	S <sub>5</sub>	S <sub>3</sub>	S <sub>4</sub>	0	0
11	S <sub>6</sub>	S <sub>5</sub>	S <sub>6</sub>	1	0

- **Step 2) Draw an implication Chart which allows entries relating every state with every other state as shown below:**
  - Label vertically from last state (S<sub>6</sub>) to second state (S<sub>1</sub>)
  - Label horizontally from first state (S<sub>0</sub>) to next to the last state (S<sub>6</sub>)



In general for an  $n$ -state machine, we will have  $(n^2 - n)/2$  cells. Each of the cells in the implication chart relates State  $S_j$  with State  $S_i$ .

*Note: The order is not important.*

- Step 3) Fill-in each cell ( $X_{ij}$ ) in the implication table with one of the following two options:
  - **X** if the  $S_i$  and  $S_j$  have different outputs.  
(state output for Moore machine and transition output for the Mealy machine)
  - Transition states for  $S_j$  and  $S_i$  for each of the inputs  
This means that the next states for all possible inputs must be equivalent for these states to be equivalent.

After the application of previous two rules we will end up with the following table.

$S_1$	$S_1 - S_3$ $S_2 - S_4$					
$S_2$	$S_1 - S_5$ $S_2 - S_6$	$S_3 - S_5$ $S_4 - S_6$				
$S_3$	$S_1 - S_3$ $S_2 - S_4$	$S_3 - S_3$ $S_4 - S_4$	$S_5 - S_3$ $S_6 - S_4$			
$S_4$	X	X	X	X		
$S_5$	$S_1 - S_3$ $S_2 - S_4$	$S_3 - S_3$ $S_4 - S_4$	$S_5 - S_3$ $S_6 - S_4$	$S_3 - S_3$ $S_4 - S_4$	X	
$S_6$	X	X	X	X	$S_5 - S_5$ $S_6 - S_6$	X
	$S_0$	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_3$	$S_4$	$S_5$

Mean  $S_0 \rightarrow S_1$  and  $S_1 \rightarrow S_3$  when  $X=0$ .  
 Mean  $S_0 \rightarrow S_2$  and  $S_1 \rightarrow S_4$  when  $X=1$ .

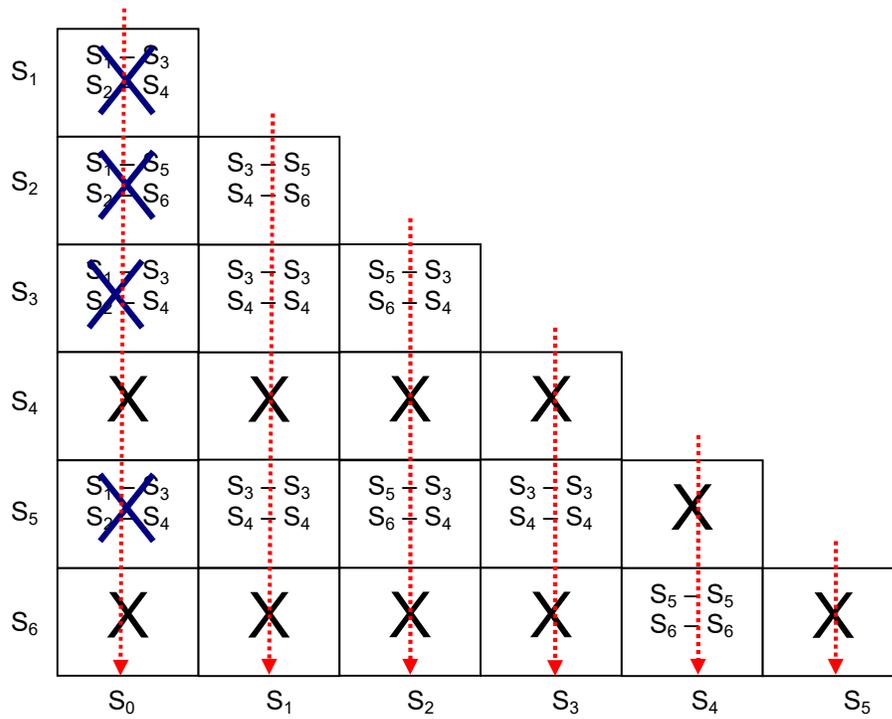
Note: At this stage, many of the states have been eliminated.

- Step 4)  
We go through the chart repeatedly until a complete pass can be done through the chart without making any additional X markings.

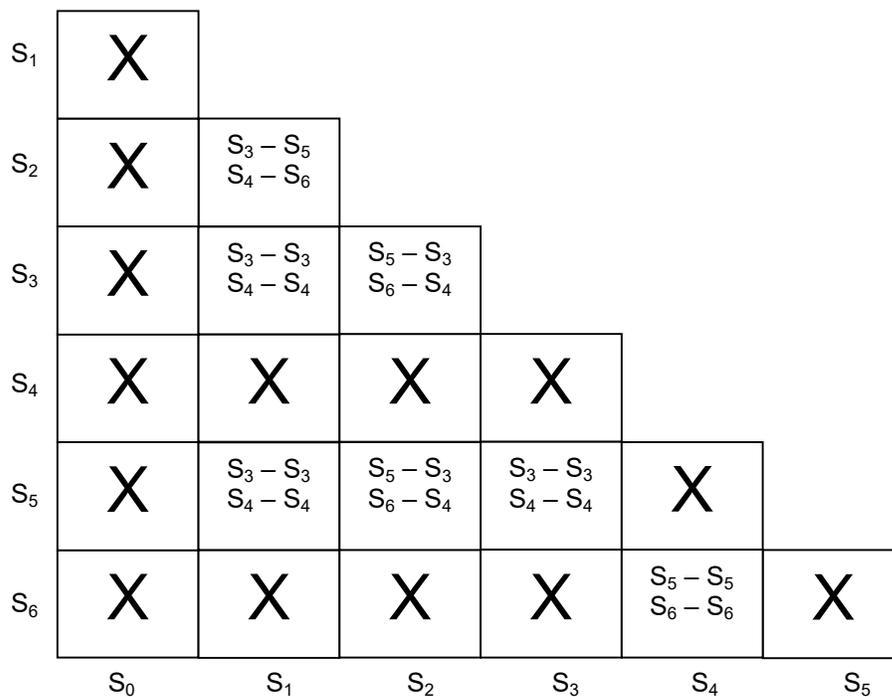
- First Marking Pass – we are looking for cases where the dependencies are not valid.

For example, for States  $S_0$  and  $S_1$  to be equivalent, we must have  $S_1 - S_3$  equivalent and  $S_2 - S_4$  equivalent.

Since the cells relating  $S_2$  and  $S_4$  are crossed out, then the  $S_0$  and  $S_1$  cell must be crossed out. Continue this process (top-down and left to right) through the chart.



- Second marking pass.  
Repeat the process with the resulting chart from the previous pass.



In this pass, no change was made to the table so this is the last pass. The table

indicates that the following states are equivalent:

- $S_0$  does not have equivalent, so it will need a new designator  $Y_0$  state
- $S_1 - S_2 - S_3 - S_5$  are equivalent so they can be called  $Y_1$  state
- $S_4 - S_6$  are equivalent so they both can be called  $Y_2$  state

- Step 5) Present/Next State Table for the minimized state machine:

Input Sequence	Present State	Next State		Output	
		X=0	X=1	X=0	X=1
Reset	$Y_0$	$Y_1$	$Y_1$	0	0
00,01 or 10	$Y_1$	$Y_1$	$Y_2$	0	0
01 or 11	$Y_2$	$Y_1$	$Y_2$	1	0

## 6.4. Design for Testability (DFT)

During the design phase, you need to consider the testing needs. Here are a few key types of testing to consider:

- ❖ **Go/No Go Testing**

The goal of this test is to ensure that the product is functional before delivering it to the customer. This type of test indicates whether the product is functional and can be shipped or not.

- ❖ **Diagnostic Test**

As the name implies, this test is typically used to find which subsystem is failing, so it can be replaced or repaired. This type of test benefits from testability consideration during the design phase.

With the proper attention to Design For Testability (DFT), the diagnostic test will:

- 1) Be easier to develop.
- 2) Be more effective in finding problems earlier.
- 3) Reduce downtime, and may even test while the system is operating, which leads to failure prediction.
- 4) Reduce cost of a failed product in production phase as well as within warranty.

- ❖ **Testing**

Digital designs are tested by applying test vectors, which are a set of input values and expected output values.

- **Simplification Assumptions**

In the worst case scenario, we require  $2^n$  vectors to test an n-input combinational circuit. So, engineers make assumptions about the type of errors in order to simplify the process:

- **Single bit fault**

Here the assumption is that only one bit (or line or pin) may be stuck at 1 or 0 incorrectly.

Using an 8-input AND gate to demonstrate the benefit of this simplification, instead of needing  $2^8$  or 256 vectors, we can fully test this circuit with the following nine vectors (walking the 0):

[11111111] [01111111] [10111111] ... [11111011] [11111101] [11111110]

- **Test-generation programs**

When the system is more complex, it is hard to impossible to create test vectors by hand. There are programs designed to create test vectors based on circuit design to ensure that the product functions so that all design requirements (customer needs) are met.

DFT methods attempt to simplify test-pattern generation by enhancing the “controllability” and “observeability” of logic elements in the circuit.

- In a circuit with good controllability, it is easy to produce any desired values on the internal signals of the circuit by applying an appropriate test-vector input combination to the primary input. You may even add additional inputs just for testing.
- In a circuit with good observeability, any internal signal value can be easily propagated to a primary output for comparison with the expected output. You may even add additional outputs just for testing.

➤ “Bed-of-Nails” and “In-Circuit” Testing

In a digital circuit that is on a PC board (PCB), most manufacturers use a cushion of probes (nails) that makes contact with every signal in the PCB. Then it can be used to drive through the control points and observe the results at observation points.

Although these devices are expensive, they allow the manufacturer to test a circuit in seconds and have the confidence that all critical circuits operate to the specification.

Agilent and Tektronix are two of the largest in-circuit test solution vendors.

➤ Scan Method

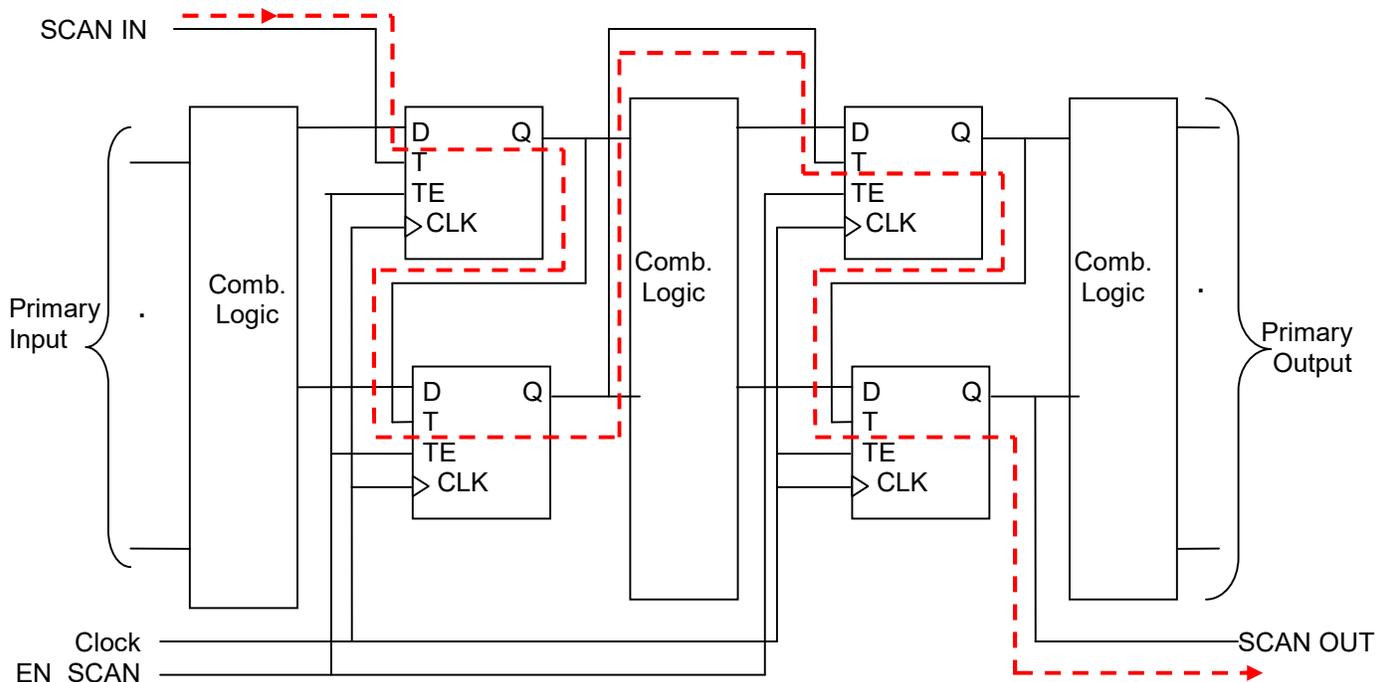
An in-circuit test cannot test custom ICs and FPGAs, since internal signals are not accessible. Even with many PCBs, the high-density and surface mounting have limited their effectiveness.

A scan method attempts to control and observe the internal signals of a circuit using only a small number of test points.

A scan-path method considers any digital circuit to be a collection of flip-flops or other storage elements interconnected by combinational logic.

The basic idea of a scan test is to control and observe the state of storage elements. It does this by providing a normal operation mode and a separate scan operation mode where the storage elements are reorganized into a giant shift register (Linear Feedback Shift Register) to test the storage elements

Here is a sample:



Note: Heavier dashed lines indicate the Scan Path

Note: For a more robust scan test, input patterns are designed using Primitive polynomials. Each polynomial offers a different level of coverage and error detection. This area represents an opportunity for

further research by the reader.

## 6.5. Additional Resources

- ❖ TBC

## 6.6. Problems

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## Chapter 7 “Verilog”. Verilog Hardware Description Language (Verilog)

### 7.1. Key concepts and Overview

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## 7.2. History

Hardware Description Language (HDL) is used by designers to describe circuit functionality in high level language. HDL design is then processed to implementable hardware circuit design.

The two main HDL development solutions on the market are Verilog Hardware Design Language (Verilog) and Very high-speed integrated circuit Hardware Design Language (VHDL). Although Verilog came on the market much earlier than VHDL, they both have equal market share currently.

- ❖ Verilog
  - Introduced by Gateway Automation in 1984 as a proprietary language.
  - Purchases by Synopsis in 1988 which was eventually purchased by Cadence Design Systems.
  - Cadence Design System has successfully has successfully market Verilog to a market power house.
  - Verilog was standardized as IEEE 1364 in 1995.
  - The syntax is similar to C language.
  
- ❖ VHDL
  - The US department of Defense (DOD) and the IEEE sponsored the development of VHDL – Standardized by IEEE in 1993.
  - Design may be decomposed hierarchically.
  - Each design element has a well-defined interface and a precise behavioral specification.
  - Behavioral specification can use either an algorithm or by a hardware structure.
  - Concurrency, timing, and clocking can all be modeled (asynchronous & synchronous sequential circuit).
  - The syntax is a mix of Pascal and Ada software languages.

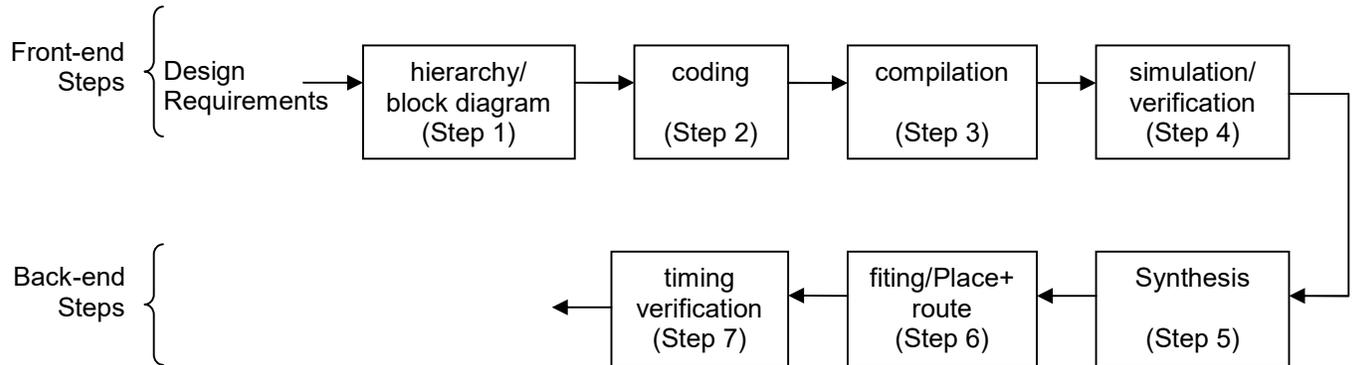
This chapter focuses exclusively on Verilog Hardware Description Language commonly referred to as Verilog. There are sufficient similarity in structure and concepts between VHDL and Verilog that learning one will significantly reduces the time required to learn the second language.

This chapter does not attempt to describe the complete Verilog HDL rather it introduce key concepts underlying Verilog HDL and basic programming tools. Most Verilog development environment provide an extensive reference which should be utilized in conjunction with this material.

### 7.3. Introduction to Verilog HDL

The process of design is shared amongst the Hardware Description Languages (Verilog & VHDL) and may be divided into front-end and backend as outlined below:

- The Front-end section is where all the decision are made and the design is documented.
- The Back-end section includes the implementation, and testing the product.



Although this process is iterative by its very nature, as the distance between the step that an error is discovered and the step that the correction is made increases, the cost (time & resource) increases exponentially.

Design can use only one or a combination of the following approaches (levels of abstraction) to describe the design:

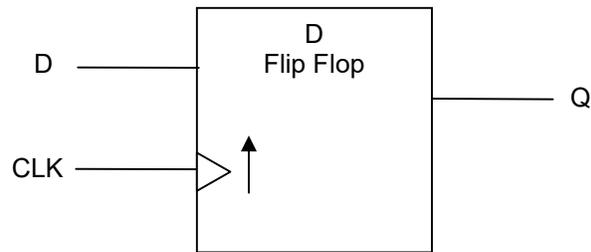
- Gate or Switch level  
Design by describing the circuit in term of gates such as “and”, “or,” etc.
- Register-Transfer Level (RTL)  
RTL describes the circuit using operations and the transfer of data between registers.
- Behavioral Level  
At this level of abstraction, the circuit is described in a number of concurrent algorithms describing the circuit behavior. This level of design is less hardware implementation specific.

Module is the basic block in Verilog. Before getting to language syntax and specifics, here is a example code for a positive edge (rising edge) D Flip Flop. This is considered Behavioral-level design since we are describing the behavior instead of specific gates (gate-level) or how the data flows amongst the registers (RTL).

As always, start with a system diagram|

- ❖ Example – Verilog  
Design a positive edge triggered D-FF using Verilog/

SOLUTION:



Now, the Verilog code that describes the D flip flop design:

```
`timescale 1ns/100ps // time measurement unit is 1 nsec with 100 ps precision

// Design a D flip flop
// Author: Instructor
// Last Update: 6/5/2013

module D_ff(clock, d, q); // defines the input and output into module

input clock, d; // define input
wire clock, d; // declare input type

output q; // define output
reg q; // declare output

// Body of the design
always @ (posedge clock) // executes following code at every clock rising edge
begin
    q <= d; // make an assignment
end

endmodule // end of module – note there is no ;
```

## 7.4. Syntax

Verilog HDL Syntax is similar to C programming Language. Below are some of the Verilog basic language syntax:

### ❖ Identifiers

Variables, labels and module names are identifier. Verilog allows identifier to be specified by letters or underscore followed by more letters, digits, dollar sign (\$) or underscore (\_) up to a maximum of 1024 character. Below are few examples of valid identifiers:

- test\_213\$
- count
- \_count

➤ Note that Reserve words (Verilog commands and keywords) may not be used as identifiers:

always	endmodule	large	reg	tranif0
and	endprimitive	macromodule	release	tranif1
assign	endspecify	nand	repeat	tri
attribute	endtable	negedge	rmos	tri0
begin	endtask	nmos	rpmos	tri1
buf	event	nor	rtran	triand
bufif0	for	not	rtranif0	trior
bufif1	force	notif0	rtranif1	triereg
case	forever	notif1	scalared	unsigned
casex	fork	or	signed	vectored
casez	function	output	small	wait
cmos	highz0	parameter	specify	wand
deassign	highz1	pmos	specparam	weak0
default	if	posedge	strength	weak1
defparam	ifnone	primitive	strong0	while
disable	initial	pull0	strong1	wire
edge	inout	pull1	supply0	wor
else	input	pulldown	supply1	xnor
end	integer	pullup	table	xor
endattribute	join	rcmos	task	
endcase	medium	real	time	
endfunction	module	realtime	tran	

### ❖ Comment

Any information appearing after “//” on a line is considered comment:

```
// this is comment for the reader
```

Like C, Verilog considers text between “/\*” and “\*/” as comment and it may span multiple lines”

```
/* first line of comment
   could add more line in the middle
   then end here
*/
```

### ❖ Case Sensitivity

Verilog is case sensitive which means keywords and variable must be in correct case or it will not be consider the same. For example Count and count are two variables. By the way all keywords in Verilog are in lower case. In this document all keywords are in bold.

### ❖ Number Representation

Number may be represented in decimal form with or without sign (+12 or -24). Additionally, Verilog allows for a more precise description by using the following format for defining a number:

```
<sign><size><base><number> where
    <sign> can be '+' or '-'; if not specified, it is positive
    <size> is the number of bits (in decimal)
    <base> is the number base which is a letter
        'b' is binary
        'o' is Octal
        'd' is decimal
        'h' is hexadecimal
    <number> is the number using digits available in specified base)
```

Below are a few examples of specifying numbers:

```
▪ 294           // default type is decimal
▪ 'h2FA        // hex number but size is not specified
▪ 5'b11        // 5 bit binary number '00011'
▪ +4'b1011     // 4 bit positive binary number '1011'
▪ -3'b101      // 3 bit negative binary number '101'
▪ 5'b1110x     // 5 bit positive binary number with do not care least significant bit
▪ 'hff         // default 16 bit number '00ff' hex
▪ 16'hff       // explicitly defined 16 bit number '00ff' hex
▪ 1'b1         // 1 binary
▪ 1'b0         // 0 binary
▪ 1'bx        // x binary or one unknown bit
▪ 1'bz        // one hi-z bit
▪ 32'H0ZX1FABX // hexadecimal 32 bits representing binary
                // '0000 zzzz xxxx 0001 1111 1010 1011 xxxx'
▪ 8'b0110_1100 // 8-bit binary 01101100
▪ 4'b1x0z      // four bits '1X0Z'
▪ 18'o7573     // 18 bits octol or '000 000 111 101 111 011' binary
▪ 7'd 126      // 7 bits decimal 123 or '01111010'
```

### ❖ String Representation

A string is a sequence of character enclosed in double quotes. for examples "This is an Example".

### ❖ Logic Values

Verilog utilizes four logic values:

```
▪ '0'           // false, low, zero
▪ '1'           // true, high, one
▪ 'z' or 'Z'    // High Impendance or floating for use with tri-state devices
▪ 'x' or 'X'    // Uninitialized or unknown value
```

Verilog also allow for logic strength definition which is useful for situations where multiple devices are driving the same wire in determining the logic present on the wire.

### ❖ Module Definition

As discussed earlier module is the basic block of Verilog and is similar in nature to function in C with added attributes for describing circuit design.

```
module yourModuleName(inPort1,...,outPortb1,...); // start of module with input and output
// identifiers
```

```
// system definition in terms of external port (input and output)
input inPort1, ... ;           // Ports inPort1, ... are set as inputs
wire inPort1, ... ;         // inPort1, ... are declared as wires
output outPort1, ...;       // Ports outPort1, ... are set as outputs
reg outPort1, ... ;         // a and b are the two button inputs

    // The code that performs the logic of this module goes here
    statements                 // Module Body

endmodule                   // end of module
```

## 7.5. Assignments

Verilog understand that there two types of element in digital design:

- Combinational – gates and other circuitry with no memory
- Sequential – flip flop and other circuitry with memory

In order to handle both types of element, Verilog identifies three types of blocks to direct the execution of a module functionality. The three blocks are **initial**, **assign** and **always** which are described in detail below:

➤ Initial Block “**initial**”

Initial statement ensures that the assignments are made only once at the beginning during the simulation. It is typically used to initialize variables at the start of the code. Below is a usage example:

```
module example(Ain, Bin, Cout);  
  
input Ain, Bin;  
wire Ain, Bin;  
output Cout;  
wire Cout;  
integer i, count;  
  
Initial // set the initial value of variables.  
begin  
    i = 0;  
    count =0;  
    Ain =0;  
    Bin =0;  
end //initial  
  
endmodule // end of module
```

➤ Assign Block “**assign**”

Assign statement is used for modeling only combinational logic and it is executed continuously. So assign statement called continuous assignment statement as there is no sensitive list.

for example in the following statement, value of variable present will be set to value in next as long as the code is active.

```
assign present=next;
```

Note assign does one statement at a time and sequentially and it is used for combinational login only.

Below is usage example in a module:

```
`timescale 1ns/100ps    // time unit is 1 ns with precision of 100 ps

module example(Ain, Bin, Cout);

input Ain, Bin;
wire Ain, Bin;
output Cout;
reg Cout;
integer i, count;

initial                                // set the initial value of variables.
begin
    i = 0;
    count =0;
    Ain =0;
    Bin =0;
end                                     //initial

assign Cout = Ain;                     // Cout is always equal to Ain
assign #5 Cout=Bin;                   // 5 unit delay (5 ns) before assignment

endmodule                              // end of module
```

- Always statement “**always**”  
Always block executes always (on going) as the name implies and also allows for selective execution based on the sensitivity list.

In the following example input Ain is always assigned to Cout. As you can see this is similar function to assign with the difference that we have to specify a delay. In the following example we are using a delay of 5 time unit (time unit are defined at the beginning of code). The value of delay is written after the “#” symbol.

```

module example(Ain, Bin, Cout);

input Ain, Bin;
wire Ain, Bin;
output Cout;
reg Cout;
integer i, count;

initial                                // set the initial value of variables.
begin
    i = 0;
    count =0;
    Ain =0;
    Bin =0;
end                                     //initial

always
begin
    # 5 Cout = Ain;                       // Cout becomes equal to Ain after delay of 5 time unit
end
endmodule                               // end of module

```

If modify the above code by adding a sensitivity list which includes Bin and a clk. now the always block will only be executed when Bin or clk change.

```

module example(Ain, Bin, clk, Cout);

input Ain, Bin, clk;
wire Ain, Bin, clk;
output Cout;
reg Cout;
integer i, count;

initial                                // set the initial value of variables.
begin
    i = 0;
    count =0;
    Ain =0;
    Bin =0;
end                                     //initial

always @ (Bin, clk)                   //Executes only when clk or bin change
begin
    Cout = Ain;                           // Cout is equal to Ain only if clk or Bin have changed.
end
endmodule                               // end of module

```

It is important to remember that always block cannot make an assignment to a wire but can drive reg and integer data typed.

If we go back to the d-ff example, you see that always can be triggered on specific type of

change. In the following examples, the assignment is only triggered when the positive edge (rising edge) of the clock is encountered.

```

`timescale 1ns/100ps // time unit is 1 ns with precision of 100 ps

// Design a D flip flop
// Author: Instructor
// Last Update: 6/5/2013

module D_ff(clock, d, q); // defines the input and output into module

input clock, d; // define input
wire clock, d; // declare input type

output q; // define output
reg q; // declare output

// Body of the design
always @ (posedge clock) // executes following code at every clock rising edge
begin
    q <= d; // make an assignment
end

endmodule // end of module – note there is no ;

```

As you can see the assignment for q in the D flip flop example uses “<=” and not “=”. Verilog support blocking assignment “=” and Non-blocking assignment “<=". These two assignment operators have distinct functionality:

- Blocking Assignment “=”  
Blocking Assignment executes “in series” which means each assignment is completed before moving on to the next assignment. is used for combinational logic assignment. This operator allows parallel assignment so anytime the expression changes, the output will change also.

```

always @ (posedge clock)
begin
    ns = j & ~ ps; //Step 1. evaluate (j & ~(ps)) , assign results to ns
    z = ns | ps //Step 2. evaluate (ns | ps) , assign results to z
    ps = ns; //Step 3. evaluate ns, assign results to ps
end

```

- Non-blocking assignment "<="
- Non-blocking Assignment “<=” execute “in parallel”. In other words, if there are multiple non-blocking assignments in the always block, all statements are executed simultaneously.

```

always @ (posedge clock)
begin
    ns <= j & ~ ps; // evaluate (j & ~(ps)) , but no assignment
    z <= ns | ps // evaluate (ns | ps) , but no assignment
    ps <= ns; //evaluate ns, but no assignment
end // new values are assigns to ns, z and ps at end of always block

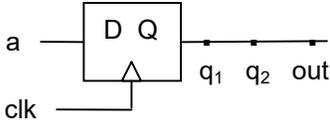
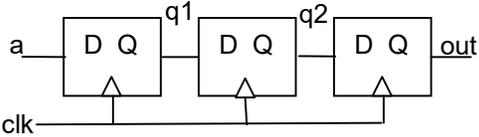
```

Non-blocking assignment is used to assign value to “reg” and is the more useful assignment for hardware definition in Verilog.

In summary, blocking assignments (=) evaluate right hand side (r.h.s.) and assign the results to left hand side (l.h.s) immediately. In nonblocking assignments (<=) are delays until all r.h.s evaluations are completed.

Non-blocking assignment is used to assign value to “reg”

The following two code segments and associated hardware implementations show the difference between Blocking “=” and non-blocking “<=” operators:

Blocking	Non-Blocking
<p><b>Code:</b></p> <pre>// The following code makes assignments // sequentially; so after the first clock rising // edge: //      out = q1 = q2 = a  always @(posedge clk) begin   q1 = a;      // a is evaluated   q2 = q1;   out = q2; end</pre>	<p><b>Code:</b></p> <pre>// The following code makes assignments // in parallel; so it would take three clock // rising edge before value of a has reached the // output: //      out = a  always @(posedge clk) begin   q1 &lt;= a;   q2 &lt;= q1;   out &lt;= q2; end</pre>
<p><b>Equivalent Circuit:</b></p> 	<p><b>Equivalent Circuit:</b></p> 

## 7.6. Operators

This section provides an overview of logical, relational, arithmetic and other operators. Note that this a sampling of operation available and the reader is encouraged to explore Verilog reference manual online.

### ❖ Logical operators

The logical operators and, or and not as list here. They operate on two variables regardless if the variables are one bit, scalar or array of bits.

Symbol	Operation
!	Negation
&&	And
	Or

#### ➤ Example – Logical Operator

```
(!4'b0101) → 0 // Negate
(4'b0001 && 4'b1001) → 1 // And
(4'b0000 && 4'b1001) → 0 // And
```

### ❖ Bitwise Operators

The following function are bitwise operators and the operands must be one bit or array of bits.

Symbol	Operation
&	And
~	Negation
~&	Nand
	Or
~	Nor
^	Xor
~^	Xnor
>>	Right shift
<<	Left shift

#### ➤ Example – Bitwise Operator

```
(~4'b0001) → 1110 // Bitwise Negation
(4'b0001 | 4'b1001) → 1001 // Bitwise OR
(4'b0001 & 4'b1001) → 0001 // Bitwise AND
a = 1 << 3; // '1' left by 3 position.
a = ~b; // inverts every bit in b and saves it in a.
```

### ❖ Relational operators

Relational operators are used to test the relative values of two scalar types. The result of a relational operation is always a Boolean true (1) or false (0) value.

Symbol	Operation
==	Equality
!=	Inequality
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal
<=	Less than or equal

➤ Example – Relational Operators

```
3'b101 == 3'b110 → 0 // equal (==) operator
3'b101 != 3'b110 → 1 // not equal (!=) operator
4'b1001 < 4'b1010 → 1 // Less than (<) operator
a = !b ; // If b is true (non zero) then a will be 0 otherwise 1
```

❖ Arithmetic Operations

The Arithmetic operators are listed in this section

Symbol	Operation
*	Multiply
/	Divid
+	Add
-	Subtract
%	Modulus

➤ Example – Arithmetic Operators.

```
a = b + c ; // simply adds b and c and saves it in a
```

❖ Others

Here are a couple of other useful operators:

➤ Concatenation “{}”

Attaches two strings or bit arrays together. for example {A,B} ...

▪ Example – Concatenation

```
new_v = {"4'b0101", 3'b110"} // value assigned is "0101110"
```

➤ Conditional Assignment “?”

Allows making assignments based on a condition.

▪ Example – Conditional Assignment

```
x=(enable)?A:B; // x=A if enable is true otherwise x=B
```

## 7.7. Types and Variable Declarations

Verilog requires explicit declaration of variables which means before using a variable it must be declared. Variables in general are either of the Net Data Type or Variable Data Type.

### ❖ Net Data Type

#### ➤ Wire Type

“**wire**” is a Net Data Type and must be driven which mean the wire type can not be used as the left hand side of an assignment (= or <=) in an always@ block. By default input and output ports are of the type wire. Wire is used to connect components and can have strength modifiers (supply0, supply1, strong0, strong1, pull0, pull1, weak0, weak1, highz0, highz1, small, medium, large).

#### ▪ Example

```
wire d;           // d is declared as wire which need to be driven
```

#### ▪ Input example

There are three ways of declaring input as wire:

##### • Implicit Form

```
input a;           // by default, input a is of wire type
```

##### • Condensed Explicit Form

```
input wire a;     // in single line a is defined as input and wire.
```

##### • Explicit Form

```
input a;           // define a as input  
wire a;           // explicitly define a wire.
```

### ❖ Register Data type

#### ➤ reg type

reg is typically used to define output so that value is remember even if it is not driven. It stores logic value (no logic strength). You can also think of it as being a memory element or flip flop storing the value until it is changed. reg elements is the only legal type on the left hand side of assignment (=, <=) in an always@ block.

#### ▪ Example

```
reg q;             // q value is remembered unit it is change
```

#### ▪ Output example

There are three ways of declaring output:

##### • Implicit Form

```
output a;          // by default output a is of wire type
```

##### • Condensed Explicit Form

```
output reg a;     // in single line a is defined as output and reg
```

##### • Explicit Form

```
output a;         // define a as output  
reg a;           // explicitly define reg
```

### ❖ Variable Data Type

A Variable Data Type behaves similar to variables in c, it changes its value upon assignment and holds its value until another assignment. The five common Variable types are:

- **integer** Type  
integer is typically a 32 bit 2's complement integer.
  - **Example -**  
`integer count; // declare count as an integer`
- **real**  
Type real is typically a 64 bit using the double precision floating point IEEE Standard format.
  - **Example -**  
`real earnedSalary;`
- **realtime**  
realtime is used to storing time as a real type (floating point value).
  - **Example -**  
`realtime now;`
- **time** type  
The system function \$time returns simulation time in time type. In most systems time is 64 bit unsigned integer value.
  - **Example -**  
`time thisTime; // declare thisTime to store time`

Any of the types may be groups as arrays by adding by adding modifier [first:last]. you may use index to refer to each of the array members. Remember, Verilog does not allow access to a range of array members. In other word list[2:5] is a n illegal operation. Below are example of arrays:

- `integer [1:20] grades; // integer type array with 21 element with first element at grades[1]  
// and the last element at grades[20]`
- `real [0:30][0:90] gisCord; // You can even make a multi-dimension array by  
// adding modifier [first][last] for each dimension.`

Vectors is array of multiple bit types by adding modifier [msb:lsb]. For example:

- `wire [15:0] exTest; // wire type with 16 bit with lsb at exTest[0] and msb at exTest[15]`
- `wire [-5:5] exTest; // wire type with 11 bit with msb at exTest[-5] and lsb at exTest[5]`
- `reg [13:-2] results; // reg type with 16 bits with lsb at results [-2] and msb at [13]`
- `reg signed [31:0] results; // reg type with 32 bits in 2's complement.`

## 7.8. Flow Control Statements

Verilog much like C programming languages provides a wide variety of flow control statement. This section will cover some of the most common flow control statements including “if-else”, “case”, “for”, and “while”. Even though the functionality and syntax are similar C programming language

Even though the functionality appears to be the same as C, Verilog is an Hardware description language so the codes has to translate to hardware. Meaning, that from time-to-time, special care needs to be taken to ensure that design is implementation in hardware.

### ❖ If-else Statement

if-else statement will execute the “T statements” if the conditions are true and execute the “F statements” otherwise. The syntax is shown below:

```
if (condition)           // condition is a logical operation resulting in true or false
begin
    T Statements        // if condition is true, execute T Statements
end
else
begin
    F Statements        // if condition is false, execute F Statements
end
```

### ➤ Example -

```
// simple if-else statement
if (test == 1'b1)
begin
    count = 2;
    wr_data = 16'hAE;
end
else
begin
    count = count - 1;
    wr_data = 0;
end
```

### ❖ Case Statement

Case statement is preferred approach instead of complex nested if-else statements. Case statements allows selection of a specific set of statements to be executed based on the specific values of a selection variable.

```
case (caseExp) // Select Variable
    exp1 : statements 1 ; // if caseExp = exp1 then statement1 will be executed
    exp2 : statements 2 ; // if caseExp = exp2 then statement2 will be executed
    exp3 : statements 3 ; // if caseExp = exp3 then statement3 will be executed
    default : statements ; // if none of value matched then this statement is executed
endcase
```

### ➤ Example -

```

case(step)
  0 : $display ( "starting step" );
  1 : $display ( "step number 2" );
  2 : $display ( "step 3" );
  default :$display ( "undefined step" );
endcase

```

- ❖ **While Loop**  
statements in “while” loop executes a code segment as long as the while condition is true. While loop syntax is shown below:

<pre> <b>While</b> (condition) <b>begin</b>     Statements <b>end</b> </pre>	<pre> // while condition is true the statements is executed and // when condition is false, the loop will be terminating. </pre>
--	--

- **Example -**

```

count = 0;
while (count < 12)
    count = count +3;
end

```

- ❖ **For Loop**

<pre> <b>for</b> (initial; condition; end expression) <b>begin</b>     // for loop body     Statements <b>end</b> </pre>	<pre> // first initial will be done, if the condtion is true then // for loop body is executed and at the end of loop // execute the end expression. </pre>
--	---

- **Example -**

```

// This code displays counts from 0 to 30.
for (count= 0; count < 31; count = count +1) begin
    $display ( "Count is %d" , count);
end

```

## 7.9. Code Modularization

As the code gets more complex and size increases, it is important to modularize the code by developing the code as multiple modules. This approach improves code reusability, improved debugging/reliability and simpler design.

Here is example of how multiple modules are used:

```
// Modularized code
// First write the module you plan to use latter
module mod_base(inA,inB,outA);
input inA,inB;
wire inA, inB
output outA;
reg outA;
    assign outA=(inA)?inB:1'b0;
endmodule

// now write the main circuit that uses our selector
module main(a,b);
input a,;
wire a;
output b;
reg b;
    // now used mod_base
    mod_base U1(1'b0,1'b1, temp); // this is where the mod-base is instantiated and used.
endmodule
```

## 7.10. Summary

### ❖ Number Representation

<sign><size><base><number> where  
    <sign> can be '+' or '-'; if not specified, it is positive  
    <size> is the number of bits (in decimal)  
    <base> is the number base which is a letter  
        'b' is binary  
        'o' is Octal  
        'd' is decimal  
        'h' is hexadecimal  
    <number> is the number using digits available in specified base)

### ❖ String Representation

A string is a sequence of character enclosed in double quotes. for examples "This is an Example".

### ❖ Logic Values

Verilog utilizes four logic values:

- '0'                               // false, low, zero
- '1'                               // true, high, one
- 'z' or 'Z'                       // High Impedance or floating for use with tri-state devices
- 'x' or 'X'                       // Uninitialized or unknown value

### ❖ Assignment types

- "=" is a blocking assignment and is used for combinational logic assignment. This operator allows parallel assignment so anytime the expression changes, the output will change also.
- "<=" is a non-blocking assignment operator and is used for sequential logic. "<=" assignment operator results in sequential execution (blocks concurrent execution).

### ❖ Example modules

```
module D_ff(clk, d, q);           // defines the input and output into module

input clk, d;                   // define input
wire clk, d;                    // declare input type
output q;                       // define output
reg q;                          // declare output

// Body of the design
initial // set the initial value of variables.
begin
    d =0;
end
always @ (posedge clock)       // executes following code at every clock rising edge
begin
    q <= d;                    // make an assignment
end

Assign
endmodule                       // end of module – note there is no ;
```

❖ Operators

Logical		Bitwise		Relational		Arithmetic	
Symbol	Operation	Symbol	Operation	Symbol	Operation	Symbol	Operation
!	Negation	&	And	==	Equality	*	Multiply
&&	And	~	Negation	!=	Inequality	/	Divid
	Or	~&	Nand	>	Greater than	+	Add
			Or	<	Less than	-	Subtract
		~	Nor	>=	Greater than or equal	%	Modulus
		^	Xor	<=	Less than or equal		
		~^	Xnor				
		>>	Right shift				
		<<	Left shift				

❖ Variable Data

- **integer** "integer count;"
- **real** earnedSalary;
- **wire** a;
- **reg** b;
- **time** type
  
- **Any of the above variables can be made into array "integer [1:20] grades;"**

```

if (condition)           // condition is a logical operation resulting in true or false
begin
    T Statements          // if condition is true, execute T Statements
end
else
begin
    F Statements          // if condition is true, execute F Statements
end

```

```

case (caseExp) // Select Variable
    exp1 : statements 1; // if caseExp = exp1 then statement1 will be executed
    exp2 : statements 2; // if caseExp = exp2 then statement2 will be executed
    default : statements; // if none of value matched then this statement is executed
endcase

```

```

While (condition)
begin
    Statements
end

```

```

for (initial; condition; end expression)
begin
    // for loop body
    Statements
end

```

## 7.11. Additional Resources

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 5 “Hardware Description Language”
- ❖ Palnitkar, S. Verilog HDL (2012) Prentice Hall

## 7.12. Problems

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## Chapter 8 “VHDL”. VHDL Hardware Description Language (VHDL)

### 8.1. Key concepts and Overview

- ❖ History
- ❖ Steps in HDL design
- ❖ Architecture and Program Structure
- ❖ Declarations
- ❖ Operators
- ❖ Structural Design Elements
- ❖ Behavioral Design Elements
- ❖ Dataflow Design Elements
- ❖ Additional Resources
- ❖ Problems

## 8.2. History

Hardware Description Language (HDL) is used by designers to describe circuit functionality in high level language. This VHDL design is then processed to an implementable hardware circuit design.

The two main HDL solutions on the market are Verilog Hardware Design Language (Verilog) and Very high-speed integrated circuit Hardware Design Language (VHDL). Although Verilog came on the market much earlier than VHDL, they both have equal market share currently.

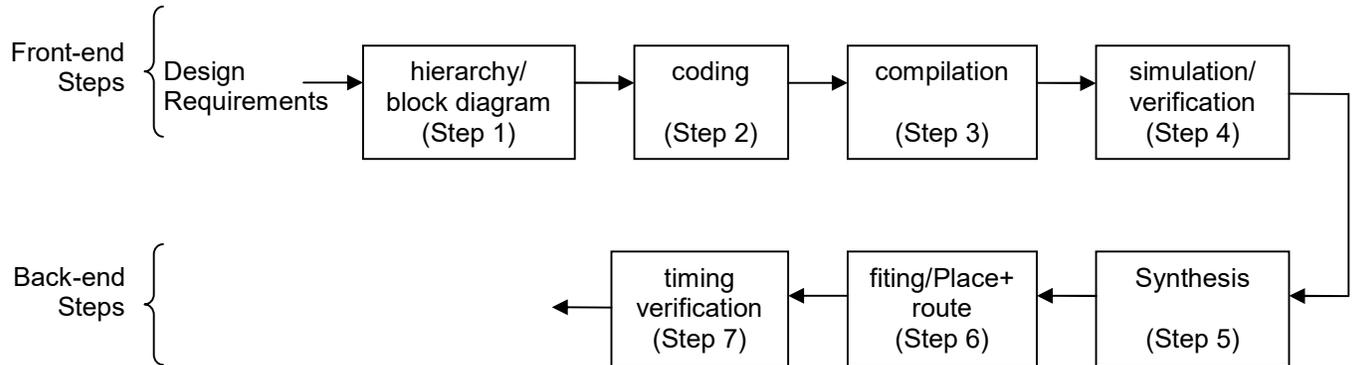
- ❖ Verilog
  - Introduced by Gateway Automation in 1984 as a proprietary language.
  - Purchases by Synopsis in 1988 which was eventually purchased by Cadence Design Systems.
  - Cadence Design System has successfully has successfully market Verilog to a market power house.
  - The syntax is similar to C language.
  
- ❖ VHDL
  - The US department of Defense (DOD) and the IEEE sponsored the development of VHDL – Standardized by IEEE in 1993.
    - Design may be decomposed hierarchically.
    - Each design element has a well-defined interface and a precise behavioral specification.
    - Behavioral specification can use either an algorithm or by a hardware structure.
    - Concurrency, timing, and clocking can all be modeled (asynchronous & synchronous sequential circuit).

This chapter focuses on VHDL exclusively. There are sufficient similarity in structure and concepts between VHDL and Verilog that learning Verilog is expected to be a simple process.

### 8.3. Steps in VHDL design

The process of design may be divided into front-end and backend. Where:

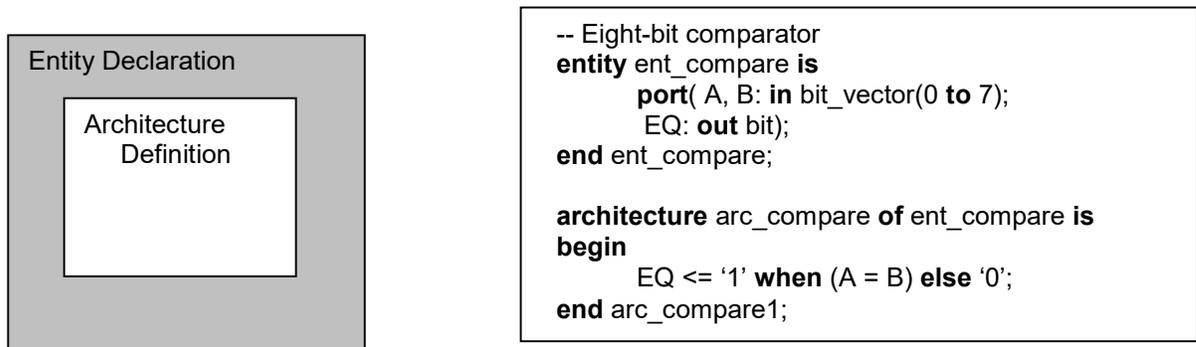
- The Front-end section includes all the decision are made and the design is documented.
- The Back-end section includes the implementation and testing and the product.



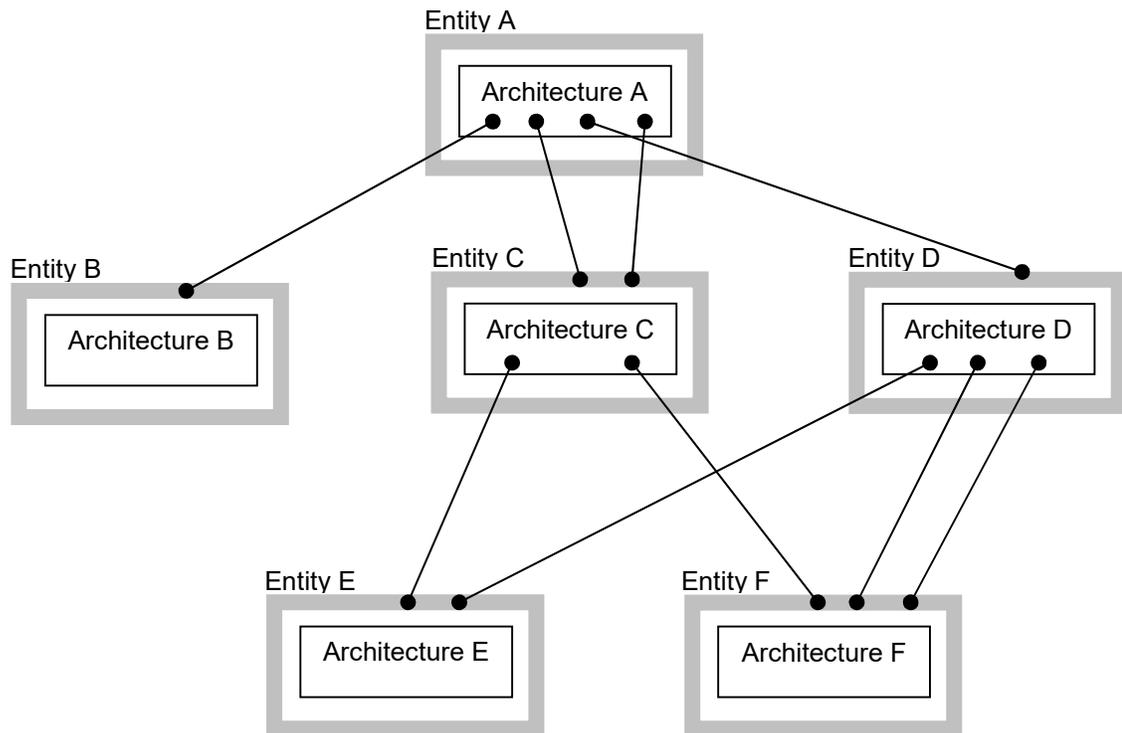
Although this process is iterative by its nature, as the distance between the step that an error is discovered and the step that the correction is made increases, the cost (time & resource) increases exponentially.

#### ❖ Program Structure

- VHDL was designed with principles of structured programming in mind and borrowed ideas from Pascal and Ada Software Languages.
- VHDL Code has two parts (entity & architecture)
  - Entity  
A declaration of a module's inputs and outputs. Entity is viewed as a wrapper for the architecture, hiding what's inside, while providing access for another module to use the functionality.
  - Architecture  
A detailed description of the module's internal structure or behavior.



- VHDL is hierarchical, meaning that a higher-level entity may use other entities while hiding lower level entities from the higher level ones as shown by the following diagram:



❖ General VHDL Semantics

VHDL similar to other languages has many constructs and rules. The following list contain some of the most common Semantics:

- Code can span multiple lines and files for larger designs.
- Comment field starts with "--" and ends at the end of line.
- Each statement must be terminated with a ";".
- VHDL ignores space and line breaks which allows for readability formatting.
- VHDL has many reserved words (or keywords) that cannot be redefined such as: Entity, Port, Is, In, Out, End, Architecture, Begin, When, Else, Not, ...
- Reserve words and identifiers are not case-sensitive
- User Defined Identifiers  
These are names used to refer to variables, signals, types, processes, function, types, architecture and entities. User defined identifiers names must adhere to the following requirements:
  - Must begin with a letter and contain letters, digits and underscores.
  - Underscore cannot follow each other and cannot be the first or last character.
  - Reserve words are not allowed.

## 8.4. Entity and Architecture

The remainder of this document discusses the VHDL infrastructure, common structures and syntax. The reader is encouraged to use the VHDL development tools such as Active-HDL from Aldec to implement the ideas discussed in this text. Additionally, the reader is encouraged to use the online documentation and help section of these products to explore related capabilities of VHDL.

This section focuses on the core framework of VHDL (Entity and Architecture).

### ➤ Entity Declaration

Entity code describes the system diagram which includes definition of input and output. It does not provide any information on the internal function of the device.

```
entity entity_name is
port (
    signal_names : mode signal_type;
    signal_names : mode signal_type;
    . . .
    signal_names : mode signal_type);
end entity_name;
```

- “entity\_name”  
A user defined identifier to name the entity.
- “signal\_names”  
A comma-separated list of one or more user-selected identifiers to name external-interface signals.
- “mode”  
“Signal\_type” for mode may be set to one of the following four reserved words in order to specifying the signal direction:
  - “in”  
The signal is an input to the entity.
  - “out”  
The signal is an output of the entity. Note that the value of such a signal cannot be “read” inside the entity’s architecture, only by other entities that use it.
  - “buffer”  
The signal is an output of the entity, and its value can be also be read inside the entity architecture.
  - “Inout”  
The signal can be used as an input or an output of the entity. This mode is typically used for three-state input/output pins on PLDs.
- Signal-type  
A built-in or user-defined signal type. Discussed later. Note there is no “;” after the last signal-type.

➤ Architecture Definition

Architecture code defines the function of the device. It is highly recommend that pseudo code or other high level design be completed prior to writing the architecture code.

```
architecture architecture_name of entity_name is  
    signal declarations;  
    type declarations;  
    constant declarations;  
    function declarations;  
    procedure declarations;  
    component declarations;  
begin  
    concurrent_statement;  
    . . .  
    concurrent_statement;  
end architecture_name;
```

- “architecture\_name” is a user-defined identifier, and “entity\_name” is also a user defined identifier for the entity. The concurrent-statements can appear in any order since they are executed currently. The Declaration statement may also appear in any orders..

## 8.5. Declarations

### ❖ Signal and Variable Declarations

Signal declaration gives the same information about a signal as in a port declaration, except that mode specification is not required. Syntax for signal declaration is shown below:

```
signal signal_names : signal_type;
```

Any number of signals can be defined within architecture, and they roughly correspond to the named wires in a logic diagram.

It is important to note that symbol “<=” is used to assign a value to a signal. For example to assign a value of 4 to a signal stemp, it needs to be written as follows:

```
stemp <= 4;
```

VHDL variables are similar to signals except that they do not have a physical significance in a circuit. Variables are used within functions, procedures and processes (not used in architecture definition). The variable declaration syntax is as follows:

```
variable variable_name : variable_type;
```

It is important to note that symbol “:=” is used to assign a value to a variable. For example to assign a value of 4 to a variable vtemp, it need to be written as follows:

```
vtemp := 4;
```

### ❖ “type” Declarations

All signals, variables and constants in a VHDL program must have an associated “type.” Each “type” specifies the range of values that object can take on. “type” may be pre-defined or user defined.

#### ➤ Pre-Defined Types:

- Bit  
Takes on ‘0’ and ‘1’ values
- Bit-vector  
array of bits
- Boolean  
True, False { EQ <= True;}
- Integer  
A whole number ranging from  $-2^{31}+1$  through  $+2^{31}-1$  {count <= count + 2;}
- Real  
1.0, -1.0E5 {V1 := V2 / 5.3}
- Character  
All of the ISO 8-bit character set – the first 128 are the ASCII Characters. {CharData <= ‘X’;}  
Note: The symbol ‘ is used for character definition.
- String  
An array of characters {msg<="MEM:" & Addr;}  
Note: The symbol “ is used for string definition.
- Time  
1 us, 7 ns, 100 ps {Q<='1' after 6 ns;}

➤ Predefined Operators

VHDL is a strongly typed language which means that the compiler issues error messages if types in an operation or assignment do not perfectly match.

The integer and Boolean Operations are the most commonly used VHDL operation and operands in each operation group must have the correct type in order for the operation to be compiled correctly.

Following table list some of the most common operations:

Integer Operators		Boolean Operators	
+	addition	and	AND
-	subtraction	or	OR
*	multiplication	nand	NAND
/	division	nor	NOR
mod	module division	xor	Exclusive OR
rem	module remainder	xnor	Exclusive NOR
abs	absolute value	not	Complementation
**	exponentiation		

➤ User-Defined Types

Although VHDL provides an extensive list of pre-defined types, user may need to define new types using the user-defined type capabilities of VHDL. The following pages, describe the most common user-defined type constructs:

▪ Numeration

Numeration enables the user to define a type that can only accept a predefined set of values. The following syntax, allow definition of numeration type and its use to build two different type of arrays:

```
type type_name is (value_list);           -- Value-list is a comma-separated list of all
                                           -- possible values of the type
```

```
-- create an array of type-name with an ascending order from start to end
```

```
subtype subtype_name is type_name range start to end;
```

```
-- create an array of type-name with a descending order from start to end
```

```
subtype subtype_name is type_name range start downto end;
```

- Example – Write a code segment to define an array that starts from 20 to -4 with each element value restricted to either red, green, or blue.

```
type COLORS is ("red",    -- User-define types are typically in Capital Letters
               "green",
               "blue",
               );
subtype my_colors is COLORS range 20 downto -4;
```

- Example- Define a complete logic type that includes hi-z, weak and forcing.

```
type STD_ULOGIC is (
    'U',    -- Uninitialized
    'X',    -- Forcing Unknown
    '0',    -- Forcing 0
    '1',    -- Forcing 1
    'Z',    -- High Impedance
```

```

'W',    -- Weak      Unknown
'L',    -- Weak      0
'H',    -- Weak      1
'_',    -- Don't care
);

```

subtype STD\_LOGIC is resolved STD\_ULOGIC

- Array

The following list represent the most common use of array constructs:

```

type type_name is array (start to end) of element_type;
type type_name is array (start downto end) of element_type;
type type_name is array (range_type) of element_type;
type type_name is array (range_type range start to end) of element_type;
type type_name is array (range_type range start downto end) of element_type;

```

- Inside the VHDL program statement array element can be accessed using array name of indices. Note that the leftmost element is the first.

Examples:

```

type monthly_count is array (1 to 12) of integer; -- 12 element array m(5)
type byte is array (7 downto 0) of STD_Logic;    -- 8 element array b(3)
type statcount is array (traffic_light_state) of integers; -- 4 element array s(reset)

```

- Array literals can be specified by listing values in parentheses or using one of the pattern shortcuts.

Examples (N is a 4-bit array):

```

N := ('1', '1', '1', '1');    -- set all elements to character 1
N := ("1111");              -- set all elements to character 1

```

Examples (B is a 8-bit array):

```

B:= (0=>'0', 4=>'0', others =>'1');    -- set B="01110111"
B:= ('0','1','1','1','0','1','1','1'); -- set B="01110111"

```

- Array Slice

A subset of an array can be accessed using the array slice functionality. For example, to only look at sixth to ninth elements of an array M, use one of the following expressions:

```

M(6 to 9) or M(9 downto 6) -- Element in these arrays are stored in opposite
                          -- order.

```

- Concatenation Operator, "&"

A Concatenation Operator is used to combine (Concatenate) arrays or array elements as shown by the following examples:

```

'0' & '1' & "1Z" results in the string "011Z"
B(6 downto 0) & B(7) results in a 1-bit rotate left of the 8-bit array B.

```

- Unconstrained array

In some application, the designer required an array but at the declaration, its number of elements or range is unknown. For these applications, array may be declared using the unconstrained range definition "<>". The following example demonstrates the syntax for declaring an unconstrained range array:

**type** type\_name **is array** (type range <>) **of** element\_type;

The most important array type in VHDL is the IEEE 1164 standard user-defined logic type `std_logic_vector` which is defined as an ordered set of `std_logic` bits. If we want to create unconstrained array of `std_logic_vector` with an integer index, use the following declaration:

**type** STD\_LOGIC\_VECTOR **is array** (integer range <>) **of** STD\_LOGIC;

❖ Constant declarations

Constants are used to improve readability, portability and maintainability of the code. Constant name is typically in capital letters and is descriptive of its use. The constant declaration syntax is shown below:

**constant** constant\_name : type\_name := value;

Below are some examples constant declarations and note the assignment operation is the same as one used for variable “:=”:

```
constant BUS_SIZE: integer := 32;           -- Width of component
constant MSB: integer := BUS_SIZE-1;       -- Bit number of MSB
constant DEF_OUT : character := 'Z';       -- Default Output constant as character Z
```

❖ Function definitions

A function is a subprogram that accepts a number of parameters (Parameters must be defined with mode “in”) and returns a result. Each of the parameters and the result must have a pre-determined type.

Functions may contain local types, constants, variables, nested functions and procedures. All statements in the function body will be executed sequentially. Below is the simplified syntax of function definition:

```
function function-name (
    signal_names : signal_type;           -- arguments (mode is in)
    signal_names : signal_type;
    ...
    signal_names : signal_type;
) return return_type is                 -- one return value which replaces the function
    type declaration
    constant declaration
    variable declaration
    function definitions
    procedure definitions
begin                                    -- Start of the main body of the function
    sequential_statement
    ...
    sequential_statement
end function_name;
```

➤ Example—implementing “A but not B” function

```
entity AbutNotB is
    port (X, Y, in BIT; -- X, Y are input of BIT type
          Z: out Bit); -- Z is output of BIT type
end AbutNotB
```

```

architecture AbutNotB_arch of AbutNotB

function ButNot (A, B: bit) return bit is           -- function definition
begin
    if B = '0' then return A;
    else return '0';
end if;
end ButNot;

Begin
    Z<= ButNot (X,Y);                               -- function call
end AbutNotB_arch;

```

❖ Procedure Definitions

A procedure is similar to the function in that it is a subprogram that accepts input parameters but:

- A procedure does not have a return values.
- A procedure's parameters may be constants, signals, or variables, each of whose modes may be **in**, **out**, or **inout**. This means that by setting the value of the arguments (**out**, **inout**), the value may be returned to the calling program.

Here is the simplified syntax for procedures:

```

procedure procedure_name ( formal_parameter_list )
procedure procedure_name ( formal_parameter_list ) is
    procedure_declarations
begin
    sequential statements
end procedure procedure_name;

```

- Example – A procedure to implement the functionality of a rising edge-triggered D flip-flop.

```

procedure dff (signal Clk,Rst,D; in std_ulogic;
    signal Q: out std_ulogic) is
begin
    if Rst <= '1' then Q <= '0';
    elsif rising_edge(Clk) then Q <= D;
    end if;
end procedure

```

❖ Libraries

Similar to other high Level languages, VHDL uses libraries to aggregate already completed functionality and make it available to designer for reuse. VHDL supplies a number of general libraries such as IEEE standard libraries and the designer can create local libraries for future use.

The following syntax is used to include a library in a design. This statement should be included prior to the entity and architecture definitions.

```

library library_name;

```

Each of the general VHDL library packages contain definitions of objects that can be used in other programs. A library package may include signal, type, constant, function, procedure, and component

declarations.

Once a library is included using the library statement, use statement shown below is used to include the desired library package in the design.

**use** package\_name

When using VHDL functions, the description of function includes guidance on which library packages are required for the function.

- Example – The following two statements brings in all the definitions from the IEEE standard 1164 package:

```
library IEEE;  
use IEEE.Std_Logic_1164.all;
```

Std\_Logic\_1164.all contains the following:

- type std\_ulogic: unresolved logic type of 9 values;
- type std\_ulogic\_vector: vector of std\_ulogic;
- function resolved resolving a std\_ulogic\_vector into std\_ulogic;
- subtype std\_logic as a resolved version of std\_ulogic;
- type std\_logic\_vector: vector of std\_logic;
- subtypes X01, X01Z, UX01, UX01Z: subtypes of resolved std\_ulogic containing the values listed in the names of subtypes (i.e. UX01 contains values 'U', 'X', '0', and '1', etc.);
- logical functions for std\_logic, std\_ulogic, std\_logic\_vector and std\_ulogic\_vector;
- conversion functions between std\_ulogic and bit, std\_ulogic and bit\_vector, std\_logic\_vector and bit\_vector and vice-versa;
- functions rising\_edge and falling\_edge for edge detection of signals.
- x-value detection functions, is\_x, which detect values 'U', 'X', 'Z', 'W', '-' in the actual parameter.

IEE 1164 Standard Logic Package (released in the 1980s) defines many functions that operate on the standard types of std\_logic and std\_logic\_vector. IEEE 1164 replaces these proprietary data types (which include systems having four, seven, or even thirteen unique values) with a standard data type having nine values, as shown below:

Value	Description
'U'	Uninitialized
'X'	Unknown
'0'	Logic 0 (driven)
'1'	Logic 1 (driven)
'Z'	High impedance
'W'	Weak 1
'L'	Logic 0 (read)
'H'	Logic 1 (read)
'-'	Don't-care

These nine values make it possible to accurately model the behavior of a digital circuit during simulation.

- The std\_ulogic data type is an unresolved type, meaning that it is illegal for two values (such as '0' and '1', or '1' and 'Z') to be simultaneously driven onto a signal of type std\_ulogic.
- If you are describing a circuit that involves multiple values being driven onto a wire, then you will need to use the type std\_logic. Std\_logic is a resolved type based on std\_ulogic.

Resolved types are declared with resolution functions.

- Example: NAND gate coupled to an output enable  
*Note: Even though it is not necessary we will use the resolved type "std\_logic"*

```
library ieee;  
use ieee.std_logic_1164.all;  
  
entity nandgate is  
    port (A, B, OE: in std_logic; Y: out std_logic);  
end nandgate;  
  
architecture arch1 of nandgate is  
    signal n: std_logic;  
begin  
    n <= not (A and B);  
    Y <= n when OE = '0' else 'Z';  
end arch1;
```

## 8.6. Operators

This section provides an overview of logical, relational, arithmetic and other operators. Although, this is an extensive listing, reader is encouraged to explore additional operators through the online documentation available on the development environment.

### ❖ Logical operators

The logical operators and, or, nand, nor, xor and xnor are used to describe Boolean logic operations, or perform bit-wise operations, on bits or arrays of bits.

Operator	Description	Operand Types	Result Types
and	And	Any Bit or Boolean type	Same Type
or	Or	Any Bit or Boolean type	Same Type
nand	Not And	Any Bit or Boolean type	Same Type
nor	Not Or	Any Bit or Boolean type	Same Type
xor	Exclusive OR	Any Bit or Boolean type	Same Type
xnor	Exclusive NOR	Any Bit or Boolean type	Same Type

### ❖ Relational operators

Relational operators are used to test the relative values of two scalar types. The result of a relational operation is always a Boolean true or false value.

Operator	Description	Operand Types	Result Type
=	Equality	Any type	Boolean
/=	Inequality	Any type	Boolean
<	Less than	Any scalar type or discrete array	Boolean
<=	Less than or equal	Any scalar type or discrete array	Boolean
>	Greater than	Any scalar type or discrete array	Boolean
>=	Greater than or equal	Any scalar type or discrete array	Boolean

### ❖ Arithmetic Operations

The Arithmetic operators have been grouped into add/subtract, multiply/divide and sign operators.

#### ➤ Add/Subtract Operators

The adding operators can be used to describe arithmetic functions or, in the case of array types, concatenation operations.

Operator	Description	Operand Types	Result Type
+	Addition	Any numeric type	Same type
-	Subtraction	Any numeric type	Same type
&	Concatenation	Any numeric type	Same type
&	Concatenation	Any array or element type	Same array type

#### ➤ Multiply/Divide Operators

These operators can be used to describe mathematical functions on numeric types. It is important to note that synthesis tools vary in their support for multiplying operators.

Operator	Description	Operand Types	Result Type
*	Multiplication	Left: any integer or floating point type. Right: same type	Same as left
*	Multiplication	Left: any physical type.	Same as left

		Right: integer or real type.	
*	Multiplication	Left: integer or real type. Right: any physical type.	Same as right
/	Division	Left: any integer or floating point type. Right: same type	Same as left
/	Division	Left: any integer or floating point type. Right: same type	Same as left
/	Division	Left: integer or real type. Right: any physical type.	Same as right
mod	Modulus	Any integer type	Same type
rem	Remainder	Any integer type	Same type

❖ Sign Operators

A Sign operator can be used to specify the sign (either positive or negative) of a numeric object or literal.

Operator	Description	Operand Types	Result Type
+	Identity	Any numeric type	Same type
-	Negation	Any numeric type	Same type

❖ Other operators

The exponentiation and absolute value operators can be applied to numeric types, in which case they result in the same numeric type. The logical negation operator results in the same type (bit or Boolean), but with the reverse logical polarity. The shift operators provide bit-wise shift and rotate operations for arrays of type bit or Boolean.

Operator	Description	Operand Types	Result Type
**	Exponentiation	Left: any integer type Right: integer type	Same as left type
**	Exponentiation	Left: any floating point type Right: integer type	Same as left type
abs	Absolute value	Any numeric type	Same as left type
not	Logical negation	Any Bit or Boolean type	Same as left type
sll	Shift left logical	Left: Any one-dimensional array of Bit or Boolean Right: integer type	Same as left type
srl	Shift right logical	Left: Any one-dimensional array of Bit or Boolean Right: integer type	Same as left type
sla	Shift left arithmetic	Left: Any one-dimensional array of Bit or Boolean Right: integer type	Same as left type
sra	Shift right arithmetic	Left: Any one-dimensional array of Bit or Boolean Right: integer type	Same as left type
rol	Rotate left	Left: Any one-dimensional array of Bit or Boolean Right: integer type	Same as left type
ror	Rotate right	Left: Any one-dimensional array of Bit or Boolean Right: integer type	Same as left type

## 8.7. Behavioral Design

VHDL design may be conducted using structural or behavioral approach. In structural design, the basic building blocks are defined using components and the rest of design defines the interconnection between these components. Structural design is the closest approximation to using the physical component with wiring diagram. In other words, it is the simply a textual description of a schematic.

The strength of VHDL is based on its ability to compile description of circuit behavior to a fully defined and implementable design. This is referred to as behavioral design which is much simpler than the structural design and is commonly used for design.

Behavioral design relies of data flow elements to define functionality which is described in the next section. Another useful VHDL statement is process:

- ❖ Characteristics
  - A process is a list of sequential statements that executes in parallel with other concurrent statements and processes in the architecture..
  - Using process, a designer can specify a complex interaction of signals and events in a way that executes in essentially zero simulated time during the simulation. This characteristic is useful in synthesizing and modeling combinational or sequential circuits.
  - A process statement can be used anywhere a concurrent statement can be used.
  - A process statement has visibility within the scope of an enclosing architecture. This means that the types, signals, constants, functions and procedures defined in architecture are visible to the process. But the variable, type, constant, function and procedure defined in the process are not visible to the architecture.
  - A process can not declare signals therefore only variable declarations are available in Process.
- ❖ Syntax of a VHDL process statement

```
process (signal_name, signal_name, ... , signal_name)
    type declarations
    variable declarations
    constant declarations
    function declarations
    procedure declarations
begin
    sequential_statement
    . . .
    sequential_statement
end process;
```

As a quick reminder, process executes statements sequentially and does not allow signal declaration within its scope. As discussed earlier, variable assignment operation is “:=” which is different from signal assignment “<=”. But the declaration is similar to signal declaration as shown below:

```
variable variable_names : variable_type;
```

- ❖ Process operations
  - A process is always either running or suspended. The list of signals passed is called the “sensitivity list” which determines when the process runs. Below is an overview of process life cycle:
    - Process is initially suspended.
    - When any of the signals in the sensitivity list changes value, the process starts execution with the first sequential-statement in the process.

Process runs until no other signal in the sensitivity list changes value as a result of running the process.

- In simulation, all the statements in the process execute instantly (no elapsed time from start to end of the process).

It is possible to write a process that never suspends. For example, a process with X in its sensitivity list and containing the statement “X <= not X”. This process will never suspend will continuously change. This is not a useful process and is similar to infinite loop. Most simulators will detect the error and terminate after few thousand iterations.

Finally, the sensitivity list is optional; a process without a sensitivity list starts running at time zero in simulation. One application of such a process is to generate an input waveform for the test bench.

- ❖ Example – Design a prime number detector using process-based data flow architecture.

```
architecture prime4_arch of prime is
begin
    process(N)
        variables N3L_N0, N3L_N2L_N1, N3L_N1_N0, N2_N1L_N0: STD_LOGIC;
    begin
        N3L_N0      := not N(3) and N(0);
        N3L_N2L_N1  := not N(3) and not N(2) and N(1);
        N3L_N1_N0   := not N(3) and not N(1) and N(0);
        N2_N1L_N0   := N2 and not N(1) and N(0);
        F <= N3L_N0 or N3L_N2L_N1 or N2L_N1_N0 or N2_N1L_N0;
    end process
end prime4_arch;
```

*Note: Within the prime4\_arch we have only one concurrent statement and that is the process.*

- ❖ Example – Design a Rising Edge D-Flip Flop.

```
entity ent_DFF is
begin
    port(
        D, clk, : in std_logic;
        Q : out std_logic
    );
end ent_DFF;

architecture arc_DFF of ent_DFF is
begin
pdf:    process(clk)
        begin
            if (clk = '1') then
                q <= D;
            end if;
        end process pdf;
end arc_DFF;
```

## 8.8. Dataflow Design Elements

A behavioral design relies on VHDL's dataflow elements in describing the desired behavior. The remainder of this section is focused on the most commonly used dataflow elements.

### ❖ Concurrent “when signal” assignments

#### ➤ Syntax

```
signal_name <= expression; -- Concurrent signal assignment statement
```

```
signal_name <= expression when boolean_expression else -- conditional concurrent  
expression when boolean_expression else -- signal assignment statements
```

```
...
```

```
expression when boolean_expression else  
expression ;
```

```
▪
```

#### ➤ Example— Use the Dataflow elements to write the architecture for the prime number detector (behavioral design).

```
architecture prime2_arch of prime is  
    signal N3L_N0, N3_N2L_N1, N2L_N1_N0, N2_N1L_N0: STD_LOGIC;  
begin  
    N3L_N0      <= 1 when (not N(3) and N(0)) else 0 ;  
    N3L_N2L_N1 <= 1 when (not N(3) and not N(2) and N(1)) else 0;  
    N2L_N1_N0  <= 1 when (not N(2) and N(1) and N(0)) else 0;  
    N2_N1L_N0  <= 1 when (N(2) and not N(1) and N(0)) else 0;  
    F <= 1 when (N3L_N0 or N3L_N2L_N1 or N2L_N1_N0 or N2_N1L_N0) ;  
end prime2_arch;
```

The prime number detector can also be implemented using conditional concurrent assignment statements.

### ❖ Concurrent “selected signal” assignment

This statement evaluates the given expression when it matches one of the choices, then it assigns the corresponding signal\_value to signal\_name.

#### ➤ Syntax

```
with expression select  
    Signal_name <= signal_value when choices,  
                  signal_value when choices,  
    ...  
                  signal_value when choices,  
                  signal_value when others;
```

- The choices for the entire statement must be mutually exclusive.
- The statement with keyword **others** will be used when none of the other choices matches the expression results.
- Choices may be a single value of expression or a list of values, separated by vertical bars “|”.

#### ➤ Example – Implement a prime number detector using selected signal assignment.

```
architecture prime3_arch of prime is  
begin  
    with N select
```

```

F <= '1' when "0001",
      '1' when "0010",
      '1' when "0011" | "0101" | "0111",
      '1' when "1011" | "1101",
      '0' when others;

```

**end prime2\_arch;**

❖ Sequential “If-then-else” statement

This sequential statement will give us the ability to make decisions, based on the value of a Boolean-expression to execute a sequential statement or not.

- Syntax of “If-then-else” statement simple to fully nested

```

if Boolean-expression then sequential-statement           -- do only on true
end if;

```

```

if Boolean-expression then sequential-statement           -- handle true and false
else sequential-statement
end if;

```

```

if Boolean-expression then sequential-statement           -- nested if statements
elsif Boolean-expression then sequential-statement
...
elsif Boolean-expression then sequential-statement
end if;

```

```

if Boolean-expression then sequential-statement
elsif Boolean-expression then sequential-statement
...
elsif Boolean-expression then sequential-statement
else sequential-statement                                   -- catch all else
end if;

```

- Example – using “If-then-else” statements to implement the prime number detector

```

architecture prime5_arch of prime is
begin
  process(N)
    variable NI: Integer;
  begin
    NI := CONV_INTEGER(N);
    if NI=1 or NI=2 then F <= '1';
    elsif NI=3 or NI=5 or NI=7 or NI=11 or NI=13 then F <= '1';
    else F <= '0';
    end if;
  end process;
end prime5_arch;

```

❖ Sequential “Case” statement

This statement evaluates the given expression, finds a matching value in one of the choices, and executes the corresponding sequential-statements.

Note: Choice may take multiple values using vertical bar operator “|”

- Syntax  
case expression is

```

when choices => sequential-statements
...
when choices => sequential_statements
when others sequential_statements           -- do if none of choices match
end case;

```

Use case statement instead of if-then-else if possible since it is easier to synthesize.

- Example – Prime number detector using case statement

```

architecture prime6_arch of prime is
begin
    process(N)
    begin
        case CONV_INTEGER(N) is
            when 1           =>    F <= '1';
            when 3 | 5 | 7 | 11 | 13 =>    F <= '1';
            when others     =>    F <= '0';
        end case;
    end process;
end prime6_arch;

```

#### ❖ Sequential “Loop” Statements

There are three types of loops that are useful in synthesizing repeated structures.

- Sequential “Basic Loop” Statement syntax

This creates an infinite loop which is useful when doing modeling.

```

loop
    sequential-statement
    ...
    sequential-statement
end loop;

```

- Sequential “For Loop” Statement syntax

the identifier is implicitly declared and will have the same type as the range. The identifier may be used inside the loop only.

```

for identifier in range loop
    sequential-statement
    ...
    sequential-statement
end loop;

```

The two sequential statements “exit” and “next” may be used in the loop body:

- “exit” terminates the loop and continues with the next statement after the loop.
- “next” starts the next iteration through the loop, bypassing the remaining statement in the current iteration.

- Sequential “While Loop” statement syntax

The identifier is implicitly declared and will have the same type as the range. The identifier may be used inside the loop only.

```

while Boolean_expression loop
    sequential_statement
    ...

```

```
        sequential_statement  
end loop;
```

## 8.9. Additional Resources

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 5 “Hardware Description Language”

## 8.10. Problems

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.



## **Chapter 9. Commercial Digital Integrated Circuits and Interface Design**

### **9.1. Key concepts and Overview**

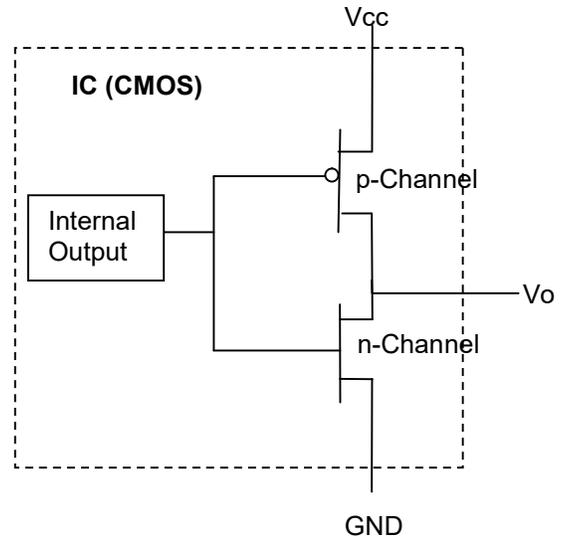
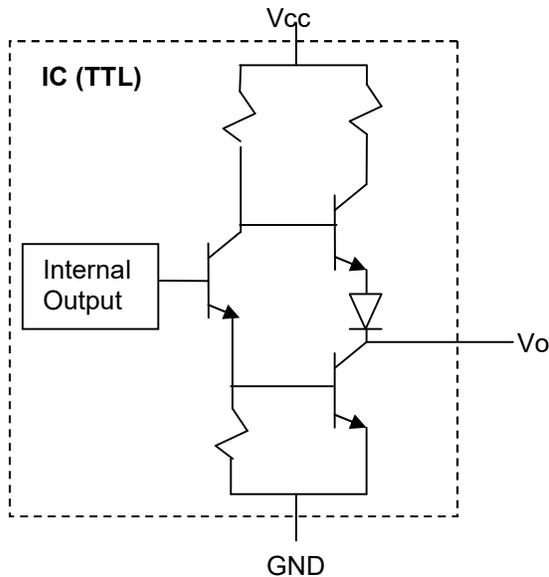
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- ❖ Multiplier Design
- ❖ Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU)
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## 9.2. Output Types

### ❖ Totem-Pole or Push-Pull Output

Totem-Pole output uses two complementary transistors to force the output to  $V_{cc}$  or ground. The advantage is that the output is set to one value. Disadvantages are:

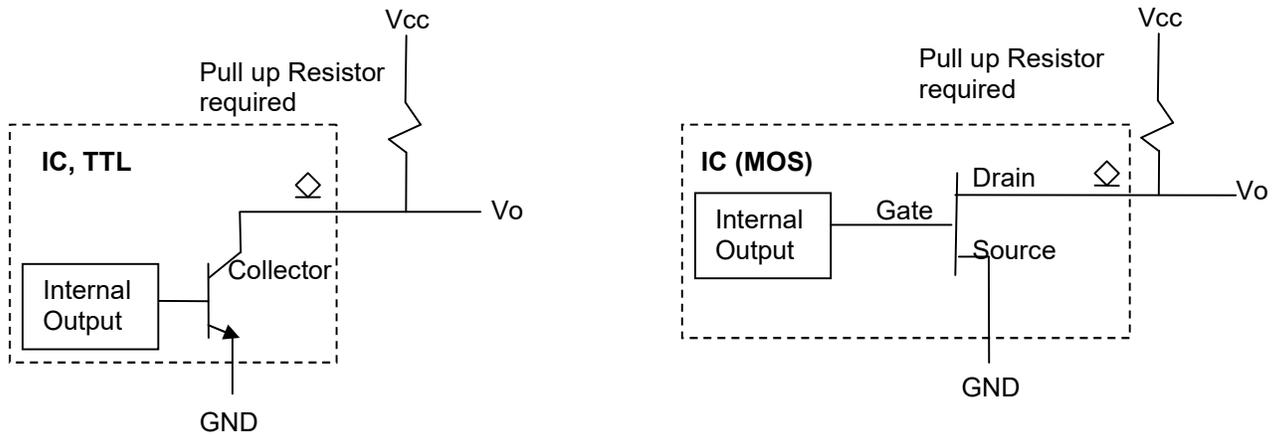
- Multiple outputs can not be connected together.
- Circuit is constantly using power since there is a path between  $V_{cc}$  and ground.



### ❖ Open Collector or Drain Output

This type of output will connect to low voltage when the output is 0, but it is not connected to anything (High Impedance) when the output is 1. Therefore it needs a pull up resistor to make sure it is connected to high, otherwise, it is floating resulting in an unknown value.

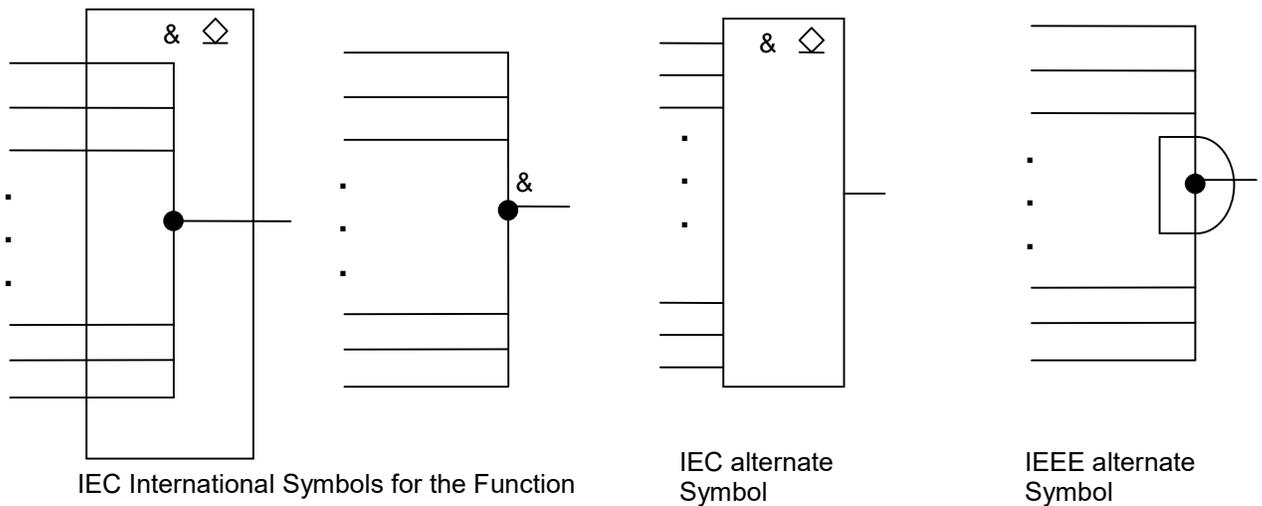
The advantage of this type of output is that the designer can connect multiple outputs together to create a wired AND.



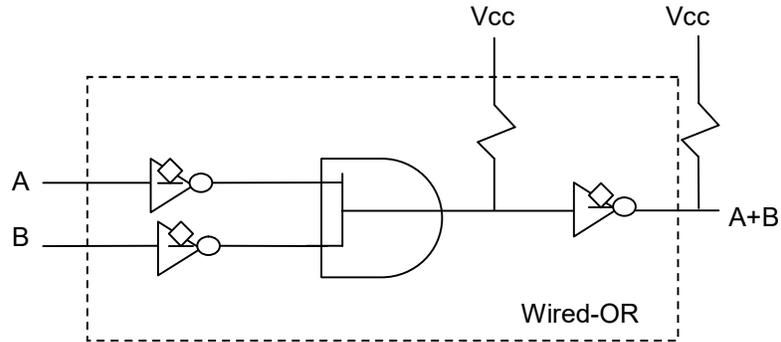
◇ Is used to indicate an open collector or Drain output

➤ Open Collector/drain is useful for creating a wired “AND” by connecting the outputs together and have one pull up resistor. This is also known as: Virtual AND, Dot-AND or Distributed AND. Below are three points to consider in relation to this type of configuration:

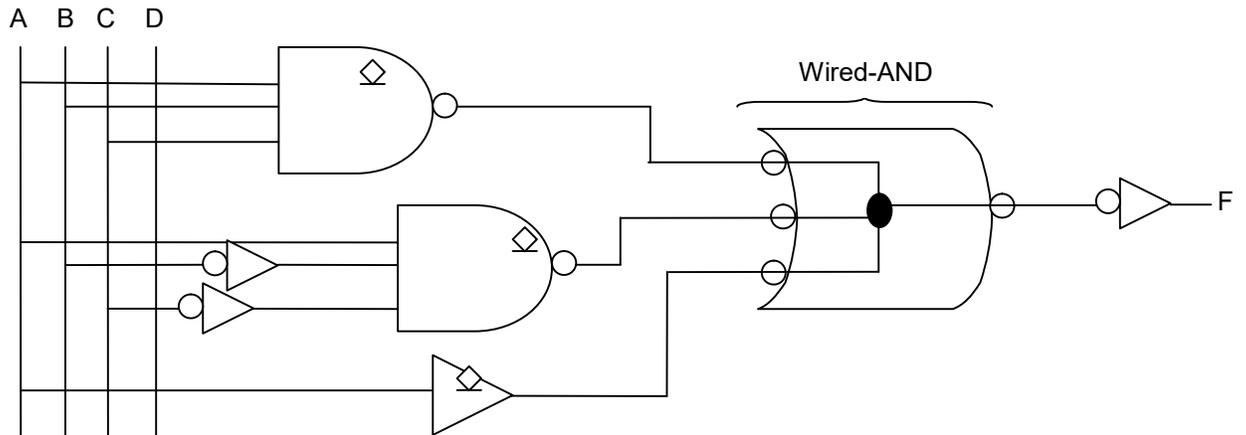
- When all are high, then the pull up resistor provides the 1 output since all outputs are open
- If any one of the outputs go low then the output will short to ground and output is 0 (Logic AND)
- Symbols used to show the Wired-AND are shown below:



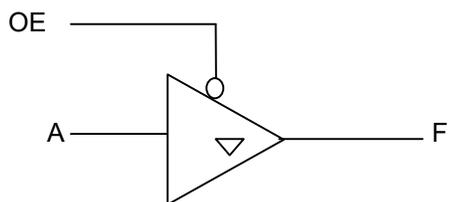
- A wired-OR can be created by using the DeMorgan's Theorem:  $A + B = \overline{\overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}}$



- Example - Using Wired-OR to implement  $F = A.B.C + \overline{A}.\overline{B}.\overline{C} + \overline{D}$  with the Signal List SL: F, A, B, C, D.



- Tri-State, 3-State or High impedance-State Output  
An input is used to decide if the output is being driven (enabled).
  - If the output is enabled, then it behaves like a normal 2-state device
  - If the output is disabled, then the output has high impedance (referred to as "hi-Z").
  - 74LS125 is a good example:

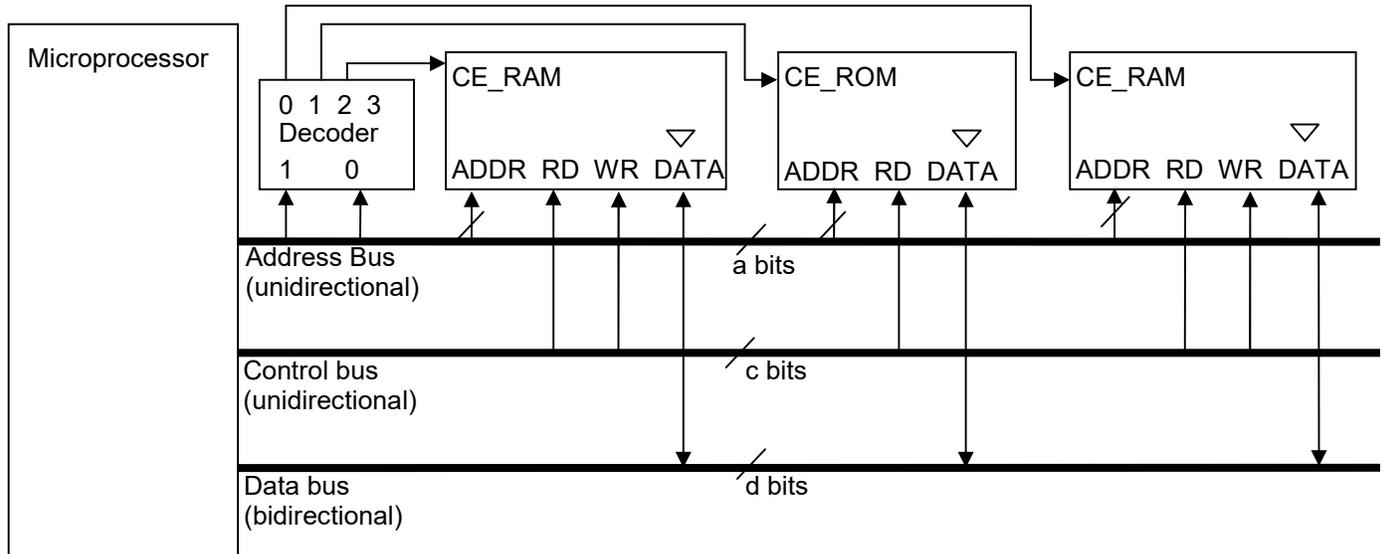


▽ Indicates a 3-state output

Input		Output
OE	A	F
1	X	Z
0	1	1
0	0	0

Notes:

- Z indicates high impedance (output is not connected internally)
  - X indicates “don’t care”
- One of the most common uses of a tri-state output is for a microprocessor memory bus where you may have multiple memory banks connected but you only want one to be interacting with the processor at a time.



### 9.3. Logic Families

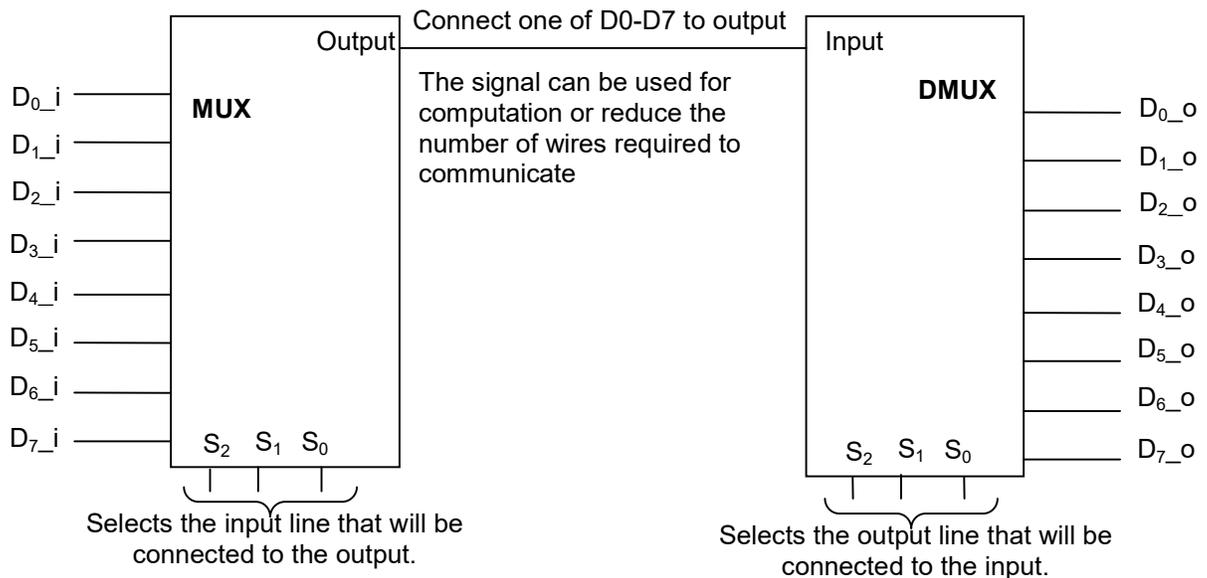
- TTL (Bipolar Junction Transistor Logic)  
First technology to get to market
- CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor)  
Used for low power
- Integrated-Injection Logic (I<sup>2</sup>L)  
Bipolar Transistor and Open-collector output used for the wired-AND function.
- Emitter-Coupled Logic (ECL)  
High-speed and high-power-requirement solutions.

## 9.4. Multiplexer (MUX)/DeMultiplexer (DMUX) Design

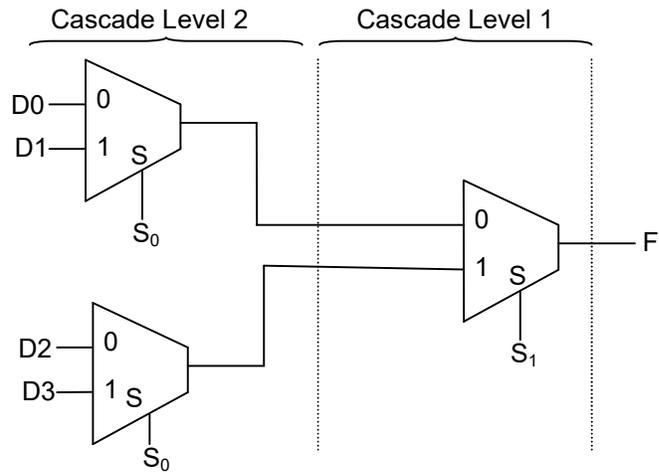
Multiplexers (MUX) and DeMultiplexers (DMUX) are used to route signals between networks with unequal number of signal lines. There are many applications that need one line for control or monitoring, but also need to analyze the data in a more compressed format. The application can be in communication, power, control, etc.

For example: You are building a security system that needs to control 200 entry ways. Each entry way will provide one input (Open/Close). Instead of running the 200 wires to the control, we could DMUX it into 8-bits ( $2^n = 256$  when  $n=8$ ). This means that only 8 lines are needed to go to the control instead of 200.

- ❖ An example of using a 1 to 8 DMUX and a 8 to 1 MUX



- ❖ Building a Large Scale MUX from Smaller MUXes
  - Typically use a cascading tree of MUXes to build a larger MUX :
    - Identify the number of MUX-ed outputs needed:  
 $n \geq \lceil \ln(\#input\ lines) / \ln 2 \rceil$  where  $n$  is the smallest integer that satisfies the equation and indicates the number of outputs.
    - If you have J-to-K MUX available then you will need  $n/K$  levels
  - Example of implementing a 4-to-1 MUX using 2-to-1 MUXes



- Example of implementing a 256-to-1 MUX using 8-to-1 MUXes.

Diagram of 256 to 1 MUX.

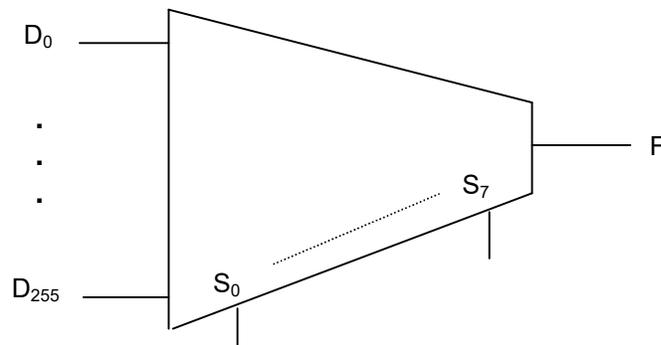
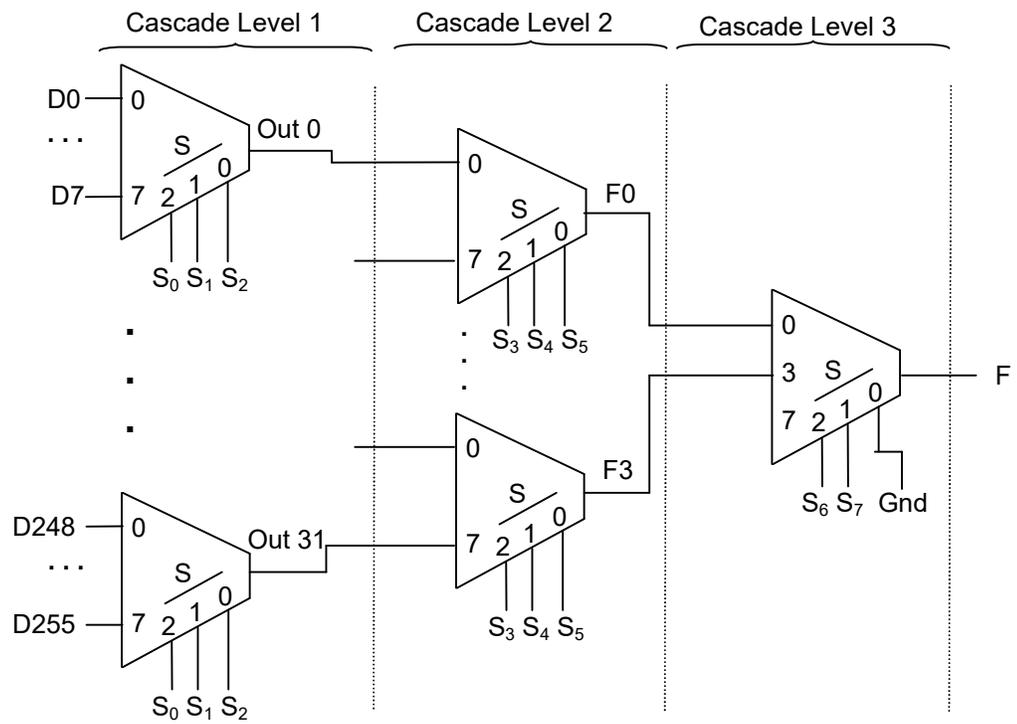
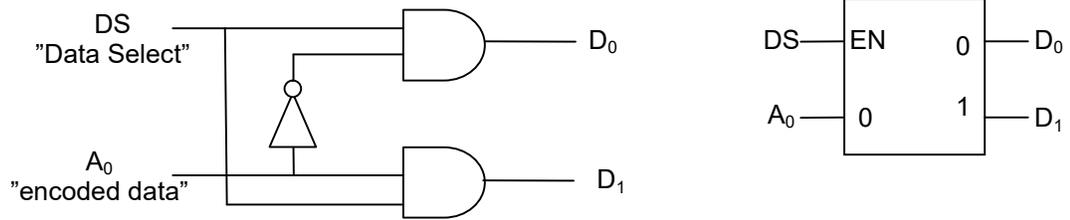


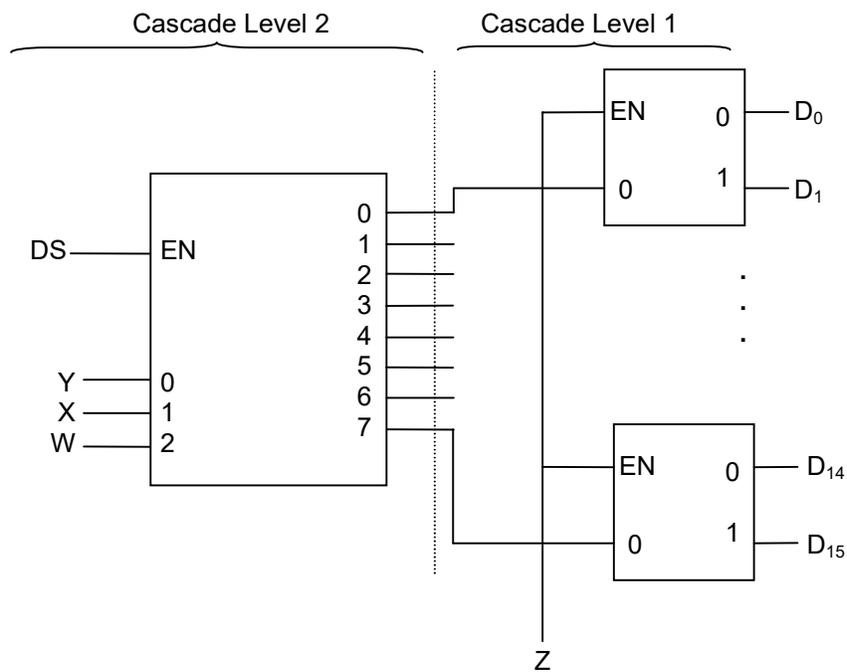
Diagram of a 256-to-1 MUX using 8-to-1 MUXes:



- ❖ Larger DMUX from smaller DMUX
  - 1-to-2 DMUX Design & Symbol



- The larger DMUX can be built from smaller DeMUXes by cascading the DeMUXes similar to MUXes.
- For example: building a 3-to-8 DMUX using 1-to-2 DeMUXes:



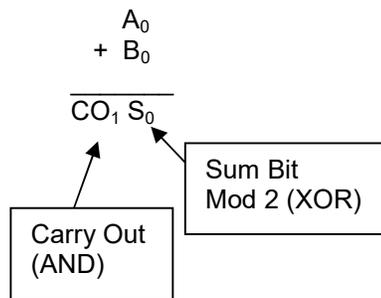
## 9.5. Adder & Subtractor Design

Small adders can be shown at gate level, but for larger designs we will use an iterative modular design process. This process allows us to define a circuit for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  module, and then use it to show the overall design without redrawing the circuit each time.

### ➤ Half Adder

A Half Adder is the simplest form of an adder. It simply treats the carry and binary bit-addition separately.

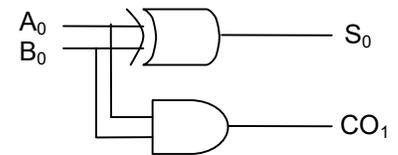
- Example: 1-bit adder



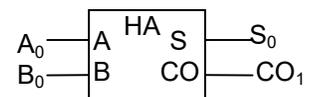
Half Adder Process

$A_0$	$B_0$	$CO_1$	$S_0$
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

Truth Table



Gate-level Logic Circuit

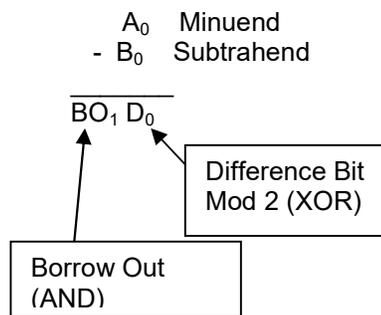


Half Adder Symbol

### ➤ Half Subtractor

A Half Subtractor is the simplest form of Subtractor circuit.

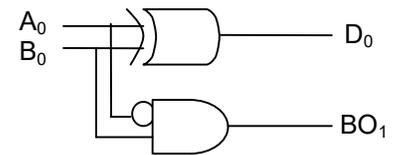
- Example: 1-bit Subtractor



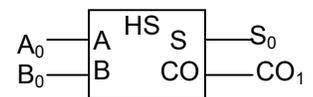
Half Subtractor Process

$A_0$	$B_0$	$BO_1$	$D_0$
0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	0	0

Truth Table



Gate-level Logic Circuit



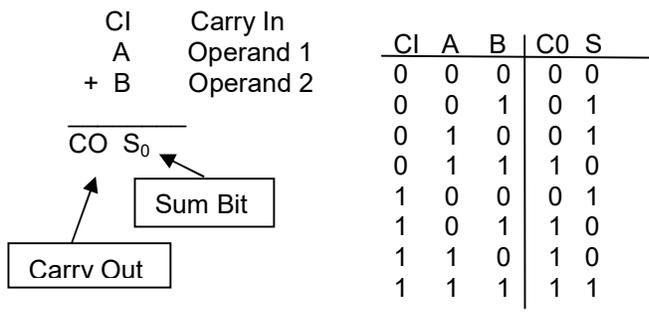
Half Subtractor Symbol

*Note: The Half Subtractor is the same as the Half Adder except for one input inversion. Universally, Subtractor are created by adding additional circuitry to an adders.*

### ➤ Full Adder

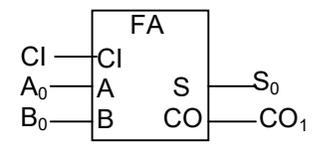
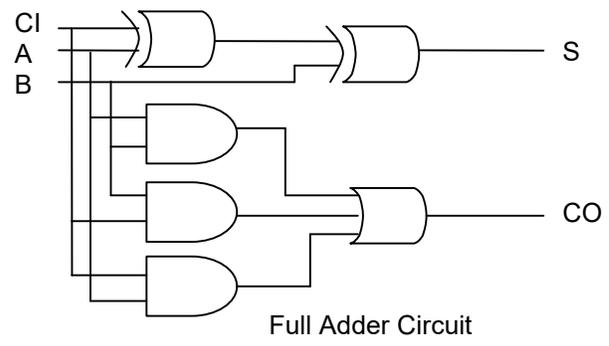
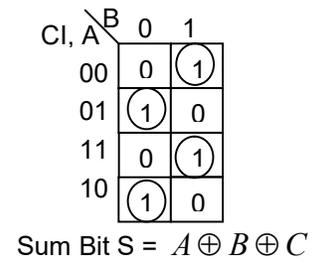
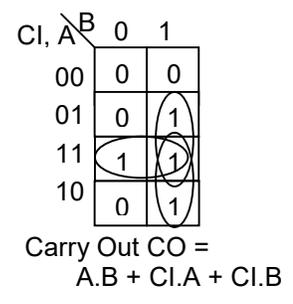
A Full Adder is a set of single bit adders combined to make an  $n$ -bit adder. It accepts a carry from a lower-significant-digit adder and produces a carry to be used by the next-higher-significant-digit adder.

- Example: 1-bit full adder module design for  $i^{\text{th}}$  bit.



Full Adder Process

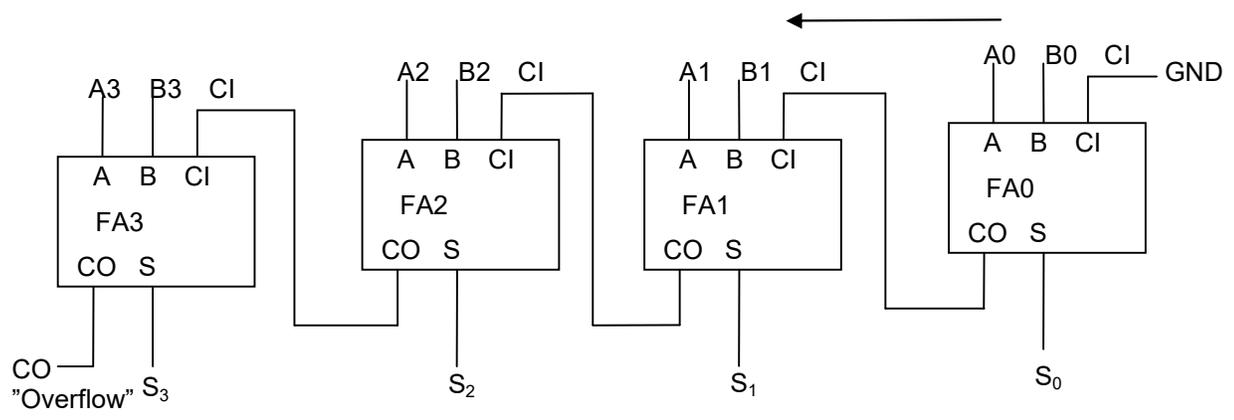
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Full Adder Symbol

➤ Ripple-Carry Adder (RCA)

A Ripple-Carry Adder uses Full Adders in a cascading form. The carry from one adder is fed to the next most significant bit-adder.

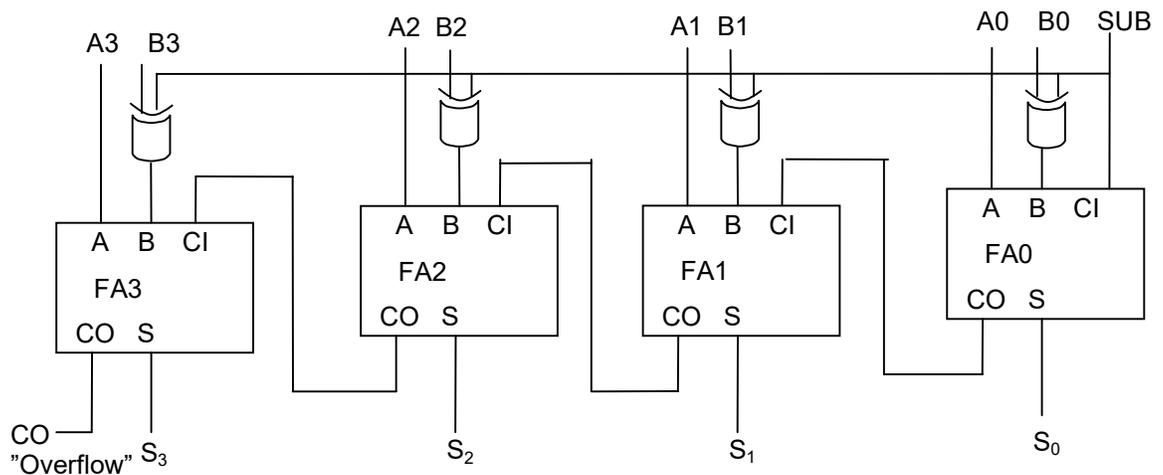


- The Ripple-Carry Adder will have to wait until all the carries have propagated through the circuit before output stabilizes and results are valid. Carry-Look-ahead or carry-anticipation is often used to speed up the addition.

➤ Indirect Subtraction

Given the following facts, a Subtractor can be designed from an RCA:

- Given  $A - B = A + (-B)$
- From the two's complement,  $(-B)_{2RC} = \overline{B} + 1$
- Use an XOR to invert B when SUB=1 (subtraction) and B when SUB=0 (addition).



➤ Carry-Anticipation or Carry Look-Ahead Adder

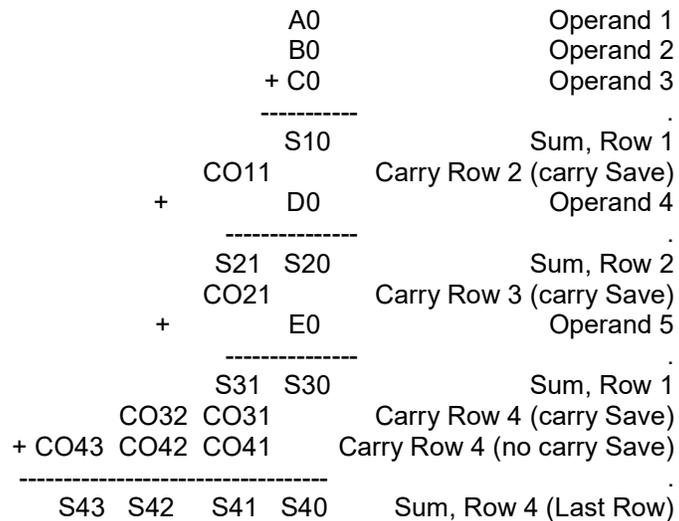
This solution reduces the settling time of adders.

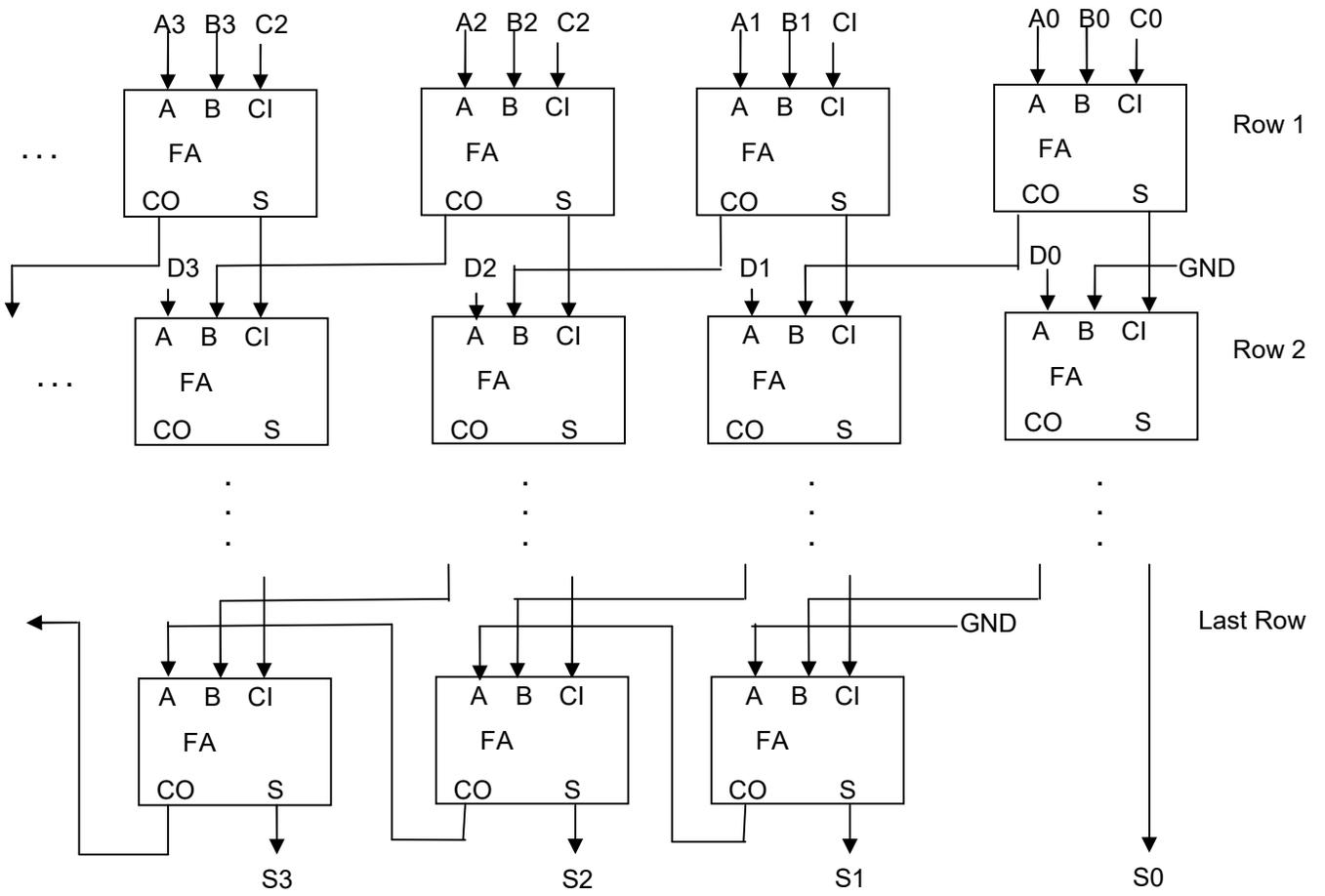
- Ripple-Carry for an n-bit adder will have settling time of  $3t_p + 2(n-1)t_o$  since each stage will generate an output based on the last stage and would require  $2t_p$  (Gate propagation) to complete the result.
- Carry-Look-Ahead basically adds the circuitry to calculate the carry without having to wait for the propagation from each stage, effectively cutting the settling time to  $6t_p$  for an n-bit adder when  $n > 2$ . For a 1-bit adder, the setting time is  $3t_p$ , and for a two-bit adder, the settling time is  $4t_p$ .

➤ Carry-Save Adders

Carry-Save Adders (CSAs) are designed to add more than two operands.

- CSA's are designed using Full Adders (FA)
  - The carry from one level is fed into the next significant bit of the next stage.
  - The last stage shifted by one to the left but no new output is generated.
  - The number of rows of Adders = (The number of operands to be added) - 1
- Example (five operands):





## 9.6. Multiplier Design

First some basics of multiplication:

					Truth-table for a 2-bit by 2-bit multiply							
A <sub>m</sub> ... A <sub>2</sub> A <sub>1</sub> A <sub>0</sub>	Multiplicand (m bits)				A1	A0	B1	B0	R3	R2	R1	R0
B <sub>n</sub> ... B <sub>2</sub> B <sub>1</sub> B <sub>0</sub>	Multiplicand (n bits)				0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
					0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
X ... X X X X	Partial Product 0				0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
X ... X X X X	Partial Product 1				0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
					0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
					0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
					0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
					0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
X ... X X X X	Partial Product n				1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
					1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
R(m+n) ... R <sub>2</sub> R <sub>1</sub> R <sub>0</sub>	Result (m+n bits)				1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
					1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
					1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
					1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
					1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
					1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1

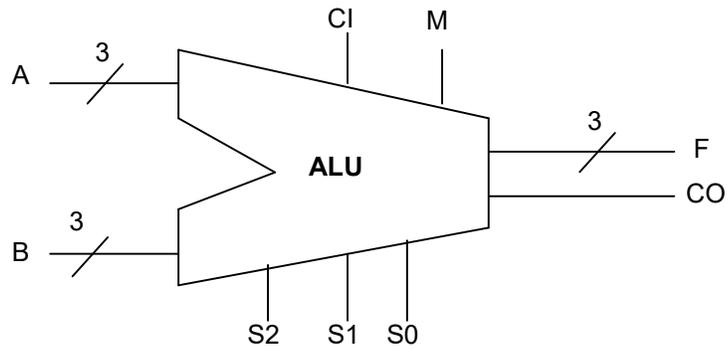
There are two methods to implement the above multiplication operation.

- Multiplier Design using 2-operand Adders
- Multiplier Design using Multiple-Operand Adder

## 9.7. Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU) Design

The Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU) is the heart of the computational capability of a computer.

A typically ALU Block Diagram (74LS382) is shown below:



S2	S1	S0	Output: F and CO
0	0	0	Clear
0	0	1	B minus A
0	1	0	A minus B
0	1	1	A plus B
1	0	0	A XOR B
1	0	1	A or B
1	1	0	A and B
1	1	1	PRESET

## 9.8. Additional Resources

- ❖ Wakerly, I. Digital Design. (2006) Prentice Hall  
Chapter 4 & 6, "Combinational Logic Design Principles" & "Combinational Logic Design Practices"

## 9.9. Problems

Refer to [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com) or online course page for complete solved and unsolved problem set.

## **Appendix A. Additional Resources**

- ❖ Additional resources are available at the author's website [www.EngrCS.com](http://www.EngrCS.com)