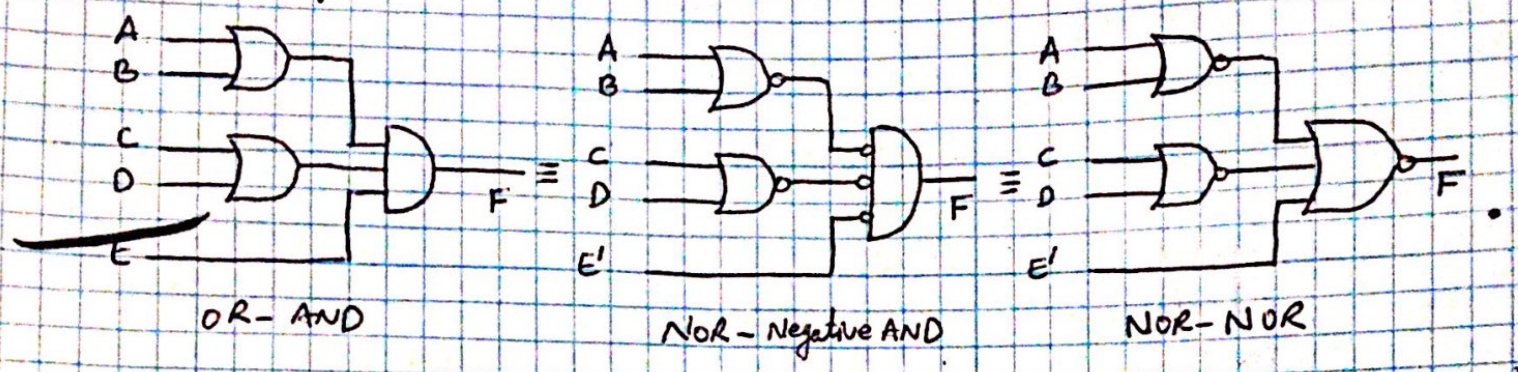


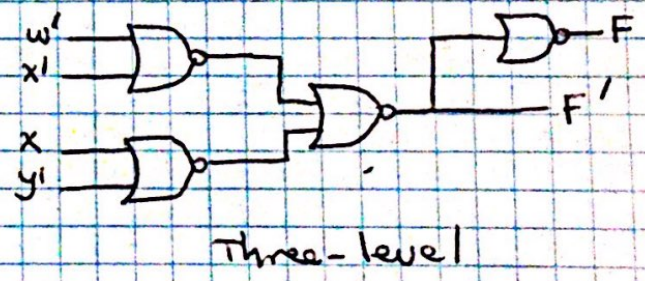
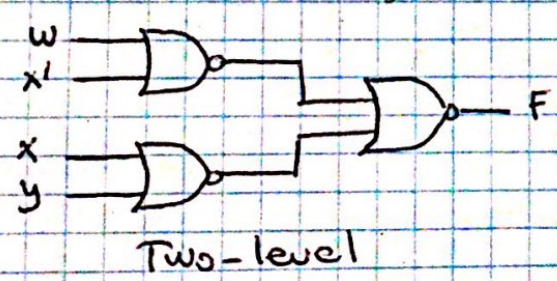
Example: Implement the function  $F = (A+B)(C+D)E$  with NOR gates.



Example: Implement the function  $F(w,x,y,z) = \sum(2,3,10,11,13,13,14,15)$  with NOR gates

w \ x \ y \ z	00	01	11	10
00	0	0	1	1
01	0	0	0	0
10	1	1	1	1
11	0	0	1	1

$\Rightarrow F = wz + x'y$   
 $F' = w'x + x'y'$   
 $F = (F')' = (w+x')(x+y)$  or  
 $F' = (w'+x')(x+y')$



Summary: A function in the standard form can be implemented in different ways as follows:

(combine 1's in the K-map)  
Sum of Products

- AND - OR
- NAND - NAND
- NOR - OR
- OR - NAND

(combine 0's in the K-map to obtain F'  
then take the complement)  
Product of Sums

- OR - AND
- NOR - NOR
- NAND - AND
- AND - NOR

Example: (Sum of products implementation)

Implement the function  $F(A,B,C,D) = \sum (3,6,7,11,12,13,14,15)$

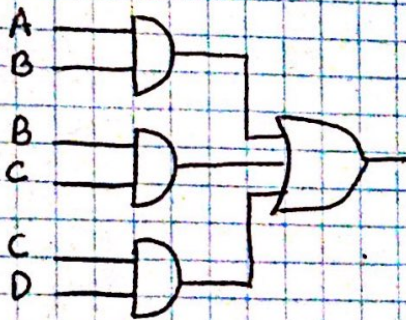
by i) AND-OR ii) NAND-NAND iii) NOR-OR iv) OR-NAND

Sum of Products: Combine 1's in the K-map.

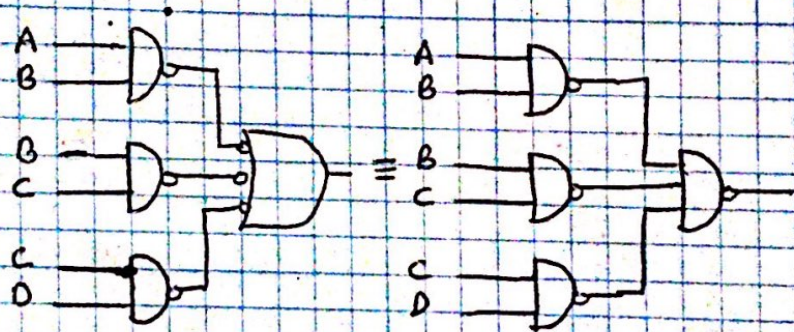
		D			
		00	01	11	10
A \ B	00			1	
	01			1	1
	11	1	1	1	1
	10			1	

$$F = AB + BC + CD$$

i) AND-OR

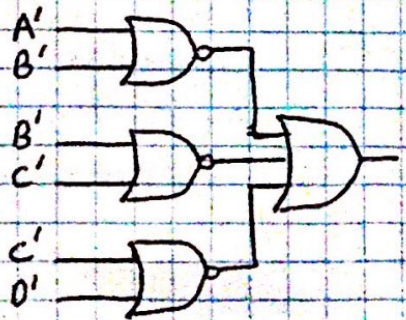


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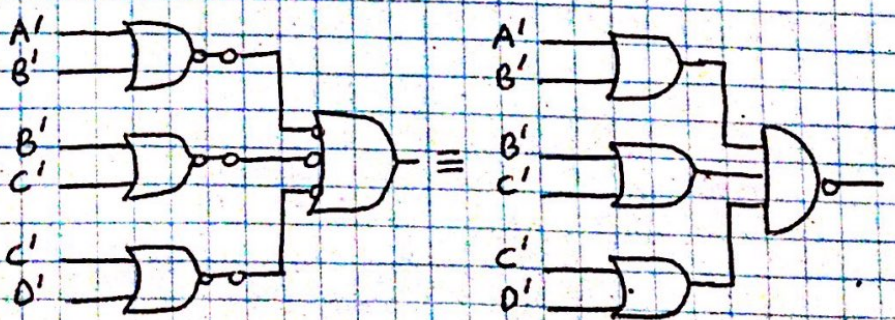


$$F' = (AB + BC + CD)' = (A' + B')(B' + C')(C' + D')$$

$$F = (F')' = [(A' + B')(B' + C')(C' + D')] = (A' + B')' + (B' + C')' + (C' + D')'$$



iii) NOR-OR



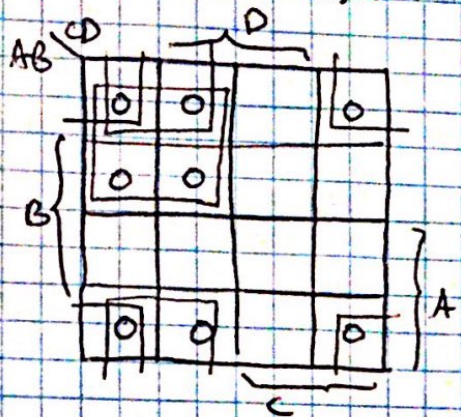
iv) OR-NAND

Product of Sums Implementation: (Combine 0's in k-map  $\Rightarrow F'$  then take the complement to obtain  $F$ )

Example:

Implement the function  $F(A, B, C, D) = \sum (3, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15)$  by

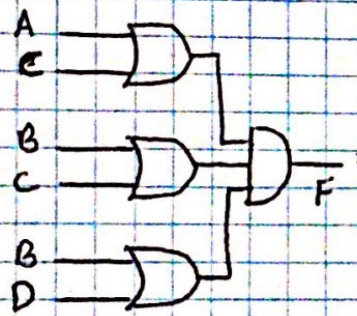
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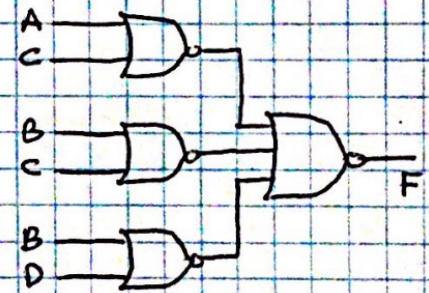
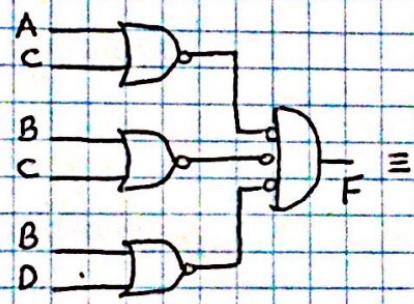
$$F' = A'C' + B'C' + B'D'$$

$$F = (F')' = (A+C)(B+C)(B+D)$$

i) OR-AND

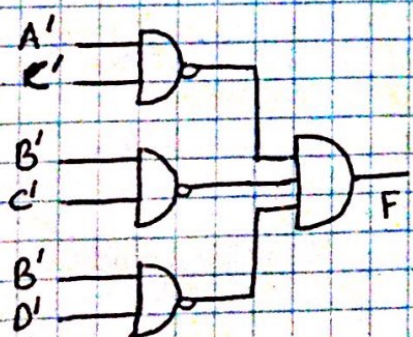


ii) NOR-NOR

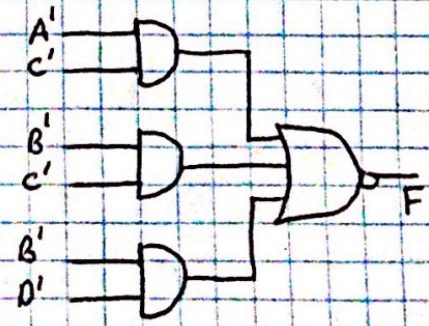
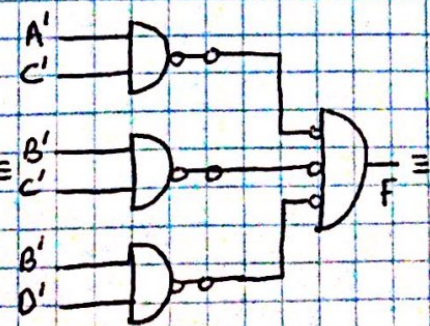


Now  $F' = A'C' + B'C' + B'D'$

$$F = (F')' = (A'C')' \cdot (B'C')' \cdot (B'D')'$$



iii) NAND-AND



iv) AND-NOR

DON'T CARE CONDITIONS:

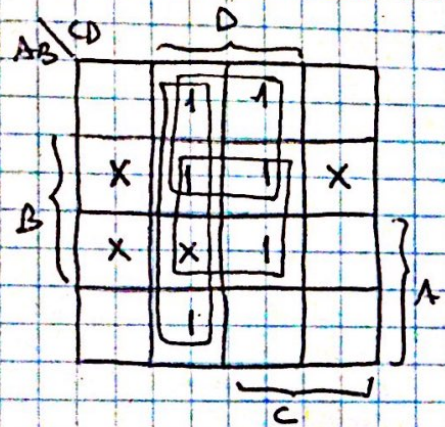
In some practical applications, the function is not specified for some combinations of the variables. For example, 4-bit BCD for decimal digits has six combinations that are not used. i.e. the value of the function is unspecified for some minterms  $\Rightarrow$  These minterms

are called don't care conditions (X). {i.e. include X to have the power of 2  $\leftarrow$  max. no. of combined 1's or 0's}

Example:

Simplify the following function:  $F(A,B,C,D) = \sum (1,3,5,7,9,15)$

$d(A,B,C,D) = \sum (4,6,12,13)$



$$F = A'D + BD + C'D$$

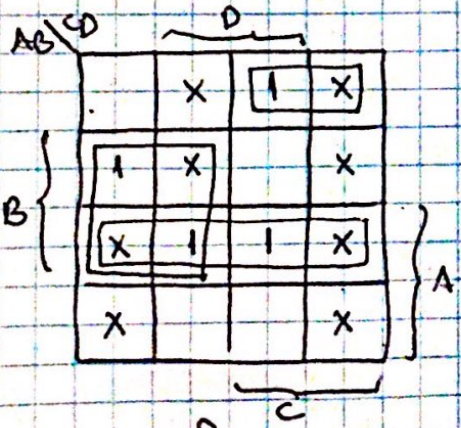
$$= \sum (1,3,5,7,9,13,15)$$

(Do not combine those squares that contain only X's)

Example:

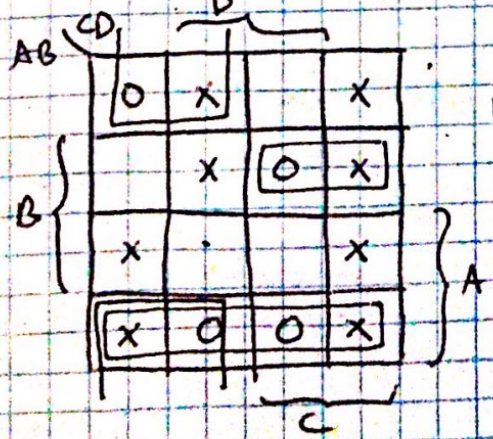
Simplify  $F(A,B,C,D) = \sum (3,4,13,15)$  ;  $d(A,B,C,D) = \sum (1,2,5,6,8,10,12,14)$

in i) SOP ii) POS



$$F = AB + BC' + A'B'C$$

$$= \sum (2,3,4,5,12,13,14,15)$$



$$F' = AB' + B'C' + A'BC$$

$$F = (F')' = (A'+B)(B+C)(A+B'+C')$$

Simplification by using the tabulation (prime implicants) method:

Example: Determine the prime implicants of the function  $F_1 = \Sigma(0, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14)$  by using the tabulation (prime implicants) method.

group	column I				column II							
	w	x	y	z	w	x	y	z	w	x	y	z
group 1	0	0	0	0	0,1	0	0	0	0,1,8,9	-	0	0
	1	0	0	1	0,2	0	0	-	0,2,8,10	-	0	-
group 2	2	0	0	1	0,8	-	0	0	0,8,1,9	-	0	0
	8	1	0	0	1,5	0	-	0	0,8,2,10	-	0	-
group 3	5	0	1	0	1,9	-	0	0	2,6,10,14	-	-	1
	6	0	1	1	2,6	0	1	0	2,10,6,14	-	-	1
	9	1	0	0	2,10	-	0	1				
	10	1	0	1	8,9	1	0	-				
	14	1	0	1	8,10	1	0	-				
group 4	7	0	1	1	5,7	0	1	-				
	14	1	1	1	6,7	0	1	-				
					6,14	-	1	1				
					10,14	1	-	1				

$$F_1 = w'y'z + w'xz + w'xy + x'y' + x'z' + yz'$$

(0-01)    (01-1)    (011-)    (-00-)    (-0-0)    (--10)

Very important note: NOT that  $F_1$  is not in the minimal sum of products. A minimum set of these prime implicants must be chosen to have the function in the minimal form.

Note that the tabulation method can be used also by replacing binary numbers with decimals.

Example: Repeat the previous example

column I				column II			
0	0	0	0	0,1	(1)	✓	0,1,8,9 (1,8)
0	0	0	1	0,2	(2)	✓	0,2,8,10 (2,8)
0	0	1	0	0,8	(8)	✓	0,8,1,9 (8,1)
0	0	1	1	1,5	(4)	✓	0,8,2,10 (8,2)
1	0	0	0	1,9	(9)	✓	
1	0	1	0	2,6	(4)	✓	2,6,10,14 (4,8)
1	0	1	1	2,10	(8)	✓	2,10,6,14 (8,4)
1	1	0	0	8,9	(1)	✓	
1	1	0	1	8,10	(2)	✓	
1	1	1	1	5,7	(2)	✓	
1	1	1	0	6,7	(1)	✓	
1	1	1	0	6,14	(8)	✓	
				10,14	(4)	✓	

16 8 4 2 1

# Simplification of Boolean functions using the Tabulation (Prime Implicants) method

A step-by-step procedure that guarantees a minimal expression.

It can be used with any number of variables.

Step 1: Minterms are sorted into groups according to the number of 1's they contain.

Step 2: Any two minterms can be combined if they differ in exactly one variable, and the unmatched variable is removed (-).  
(i.e. each <sup>minterm in a</sup> group is compared with each minterm in the next group) and a check sign ✓ is placed.

The results of these comparisons are listed in the first group of column II. { # of variables will be reduced by 1 }

Step 3: Repeat the comparing process for the groups in column II and place the results in column III. { # of variables will be reduced by 1 }.

Delete any duplication and repeat for groups in column III if possible.

Step 4: The unchecked terms which cannot be combined with other terms are called the prime implicants.

Step 5: Minimize the function by selecting some of the prime implicants (to be explained later):

back to (44) \*\*

- Numbers in the parenthesis indicates the position of the dash in the binary number.
- For the comparison, <sup>pairs of</sup> numbers in the below group must be greater than the <sup>pairs of</sup> numbers in the above group, and the difference should be always a power of 2.
- Only those terms with the same index in parenthesis in adjacent groups are compared.
- All remaining (unchecked) prime implicants are converted to binary by writing the binary equivalent and placing a dash in the position(s) indicated in the parenthesis.

⇒ Decimal	Prime implicants Binary w x y z	Term
1,5 (4)	0 - 0 1	w'y'z
5,7 (2)	0 1 - 1	w'xz
6,7 (1)	0 1 1 -	w'xy
0,1,8,9 (1,8)	- 0 0 -	x'y'
0,2,8,10 (2,8)	- 0 - 0	x'z'
2,6,10,14 (4,8)	- - 1 0	yz'

Example: Determine the prime implicants of the function

$$F_2(w, x, y, z) = \sum (1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15)$$

Column I	Column II	Column III
0 0 0 1 1 ✓	1,9 (8)	8,9,10,11 (1,2)
0 1 0 0 4 ✓	4,6 (2)	<del>8,9,9,11 (2,1)</del> duplications are deleted
1 0 0 0 8 ✓	8,9 (1) ✓	
	8,10 (2) ✓	
0 1 1 0 6 ✓		
1 0 0 1 9 ✓	6,7 (1)	
1 0 1 0 10 ✓	9,11 (2) ✓	
	10,11 (1) ✓	
0 1 1 1 7 ✓		
1 0 1 1 11 ✓	7,15 (8)	
	11,15 (4)	
1 1 1 1 15 ✓		

Decimal	PI (binary) w x y z	Term
1,9 (8)	- 0 0 1	x'y'z
4,6 (2)	0 1 - 0	w'xz'
6,7 (1)	0 1 1 -	w'xy
7,15 (8)	- 1 1 1	xyz
11,15 (4)	1 - 1 1	wyz
8,9,10,11 (1,2)	1 0 - -	wx'

Minimization stage (i.e. selection of prime implicants)

The second part of the tabulation method employs a prime implicant table to select a minimum set of prime implicants.

Example: Minimize the function  $F_1 = \sum (0, 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14)$

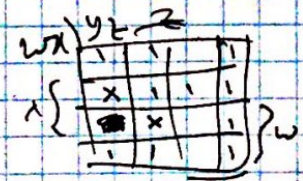
We obtained the prime implicants of this function in a previous example.

The prime implicant table of this function will be as follows:

prime implicants		Minterms									
		0	1	2	5	6	7	8	9	10	14
$w'y'z$	1,5		X		X						
$w'xz$	5,7				X		X				
$w'xy$	6,7					X	X				
✓ $x'y'$	0,1,8,9	X	X					X	X		⊗
$x'z'$	0,2,8,10	X		X				X		X	
✓ $yz'$	2,6,10,14			X		X				X	⊗

• Cross out rows then columns of essential prime implicants (i.e. where we have a single ⊗)

• Choose a minimum set of prime implicants to cover the remaining minterms.



$\Rightarrow F_1 = x'y' + yz' + w'xz$

Example: Minimize the function  $F_2 = \sum (1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15)$

We've obtained the prime implicants of this function in a previous example.  $\Rightarrow$  the prime implicant table:

Prime implicants		1	4	6	7	8	9	10	11	15
✓ $x'y'z$	1,9	⊗					X			
✓ $w'xz'$	4,6		⊗	X						
$w'xy$	6,7			X	X					
$xyz$	7,15				X					X
$wyz$	11,15								X	X
✓ $wx'$	8,9,10,11					⊗	X	⊗	X	



The essential prime implicants:  $x'y'z$ ,  $w'xz'$  and  $w'x'$  cover all the minterms except 7 and 15  $\Rightarrow$  include  $xyz$  which covers both

$$\therefore F = x'y'z + w'xz' + w'x' + xyz$$

Example: select the prime implicants from the table given below to obtain the minimum SOP expression

Prime implicants		Minterms										
		0	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	13	15	
$A'C'D'$	0,4	X	X									
$B'C'D'$	0,8	X					X					
$AB'C'$	8,9						X	X				
✓ $AB'D'$	8,10						X		X			
$AC'D$	9,13							X		X		
✓ $A'B$	4,5,6,7		X	X	X	X						
✓ $BD$	5,7,13,15			X		X				X	X	
			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	

$$\Rightarrow F = AB'D' + A'B + BD + A'C'D' + AB'C'$$

Note: The tabulation method can also be used to give a simplified expression in Product of sums.

$\Rightarrow$  we should start with  $F'$  by combining 0's, and continue to obtain  $F'$  simplified in SOP. Then take complement of  $F'$  to obtain  $F$  minimized in POS.