


## Example: A Sequence Detector

Example:: Design a machine that outputs a 1 when exactly two of

- e.g. input sequence of 011011100 produces an output sequence of -e.g. input
- Assume input is a 1 -bit serial line.
- Use D flip-flops and 8-to-1 Multiplexers.
- Start by constructing a state transition diagram (next slide).


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## Notes on K-maps

- Also works for POS
- Takes $2^{n}$ time for formulas with n variables
- Only optimizes two-level logic
- Reduces number of terms, then number of literals in each term
- Assumes inverters are free
- Does not consider minimizations across functions
- Circuit minimization is generally a hard problem
- Quine-McCluskey can be used with more variables
${ }^{9}$ CAD tools are available if you are serious
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## Karnaugh Maps

- Implicant: rectangle with $1,2,4,8,16 \ldots 1$ 's
- Prime Implicant: an implicant that cannot be
- extended into a larger implicant
- Essential Prime Implicant: the only prime implicant that covers some 1
- K-map Algorithm (not from M\&H):

1. Find ALL the prime implicants. Be sure to check every 1 and to use don't cares.

## Circuit Minimization is Hard

- Unix systems store passwords in encrypted form. - User types $x$, system computes $f(x)$ and looks for $f(x)$ in a file
- Suppose we use 64-bit passwords and I want to find the password $x$ such that $f(x)=y$.
every 1 and to use don't cares.

2. Include all essential prime implicants.
3. Try all possibilities to find the minimum cover for the remaining 1 's.
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- Let $g_{i}(x)=0$ if $f(x)=y$ and the $i^{\text {th }}$ bit of $x$ is 0
- 1 otherwise
- If the $\mathrm{it}^{\text {th }}$ bit of x is 1 , then $\mathrm{g}_{\mathrm{i}}(\mathrm{x})$ outputs 1 for every $x$ and $g_{i}(x)$ has a very, very simple circuit.
- If you can simplify every circuit quickly, then you ${ }_{17}$ can crack passwords quickly.


## Simplifying Finite State Machines

- State Reduction: equivalent FSM with fewer states
- State Assignment: choose an assignment of bit patterns to states (e.g., $A$ is 010) that results in a smaller circuit
- Choice of flip-flops: use D flip-flops, J-K flipflops or a T flip-flops? a good choice could lead to simpler circuits.
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- Description of state machine $M_{0}$ to be reduced.

| Input |  | $X$ |  |
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| Present state | 0 | 1 |  |
| $A$ | $\mathrm{C} / 0$ | $\mathrm{E} / 1$ |  |
| $B$ | $\mathrm{D} / 0$ | $\mathrm{E} / 1$ |  |
| $C$ | $\mathrm{C} / 1$ | $\mathrm{~B} / 0$ |  |
| $D$ | $\mathrm{C} / 1$ | $\mathrm{~A} / 0$ |  |
| $E$ | $\mathrm{~A} / 0$ | $\mathrm{C} / 1$ |  |

State Reduction Example: original transition diagram


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## State Reduction Algorithm

1. Use a 2-dimensional table - an entry for each pair of states.
2. Two states are "distinguished" if:
a. States $X$ and $Y$ of a finite state machine $M$ are distinguished if there exists an input $r$ such that the output of $M$ in state $X$ reading
input ris different from the output of $M$ in state $Y$ reading input $r$. b. States $X$ and $Y$ of a finite state machine are distinguished if there . States $X$ and $Y$ of a finite state machine are distinguished if there state $X^{\prime}, M$ in state $Y$ reading input $r$ goes to state $Y^{\prime}$ and $w e$ aready know that $X^{\prime}$ and $Y^{\prime}$ are distinguished states,
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3. For each pair ( $\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}$ ), check if X and Y are distinguished using the definition above.
4. At the end of the algorithm, states that are not found to be distinguished are in fact equivalent.
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State Reduction Example: reduced transition diagram


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## State Reduction Algorithm Performance

- As stated, the algorithm takes $O\left(n^{4}\right)$ time for a FSM with n states, because each pass takes $\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{n}^{2}\right)$ time and we make at most $\mathrm{O}\left(\mathrm{n}^{2}\right)$ passes.
- A more clever implementation takes $O\left(\mathrm{n}^{2}\right)$ time.
- The algorithm produces a FSM with the fewest number states possible.
- Performance and correctness can be proven.
appendix B - Reduction ot Digital Logic
The State Assignment Problem
- Two state assignments for machine $M_{2}$.

| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { Input } \\ \mathrm{S}_{0} \mathrm{~S}_{1} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | ${ }_{0}{ }^{X} 1$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input } \\ & \mathrm{S}_{0} \mathrm{~S}_{1} \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{0}{ }^{X}{ }_{0} 1$ |
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| A: 00 | 01/1 00/1 | A: 00 | 01/1 00/1 |
| B: 01 | 10/0 11/1 | 析 | 11/0 10/1 |
| C: 10 | 10/0 11/0 | C: 11 | 11/0 10/0 |
| D: 11 | 01/1 00/0 | D: 10 | 01/1 00/0 |



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## State Assignment Heuristics

- No known efficient alg. for best state assignment
- Some heuristics (rules of thumb):
- The initial state should be simple to reset - all zeroes or all ones.
- Minimize the number of state variables that change on each
transition.
- Maximize the number of state variables that don't change on each transition.
- If there are unused states (when the number of states $s$ is not a power of 2), choose the unused state variable combinations carefully. (Don't just use the first s combination of state variables.) - Decompose the set of state variables into bits or fields that have
well-defined meaning with respect to the input or output behavior. Consider using more than the minimum number of states to achieve the objectives above.
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| Apply State Reduction \& State Assignment <br> to Sequence Detector |
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## Sequence Detector State Reduction Table





6-State Sequence Detector


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## Improved Sequence Detector?

- Formulas from the 7-state FSM:
$\mathrm{s} 2^{\prime}=(\overline{\mathrm{s} 0}+\mathrm{x})(\mathrm{s} 2+\mathrm{s} 1+\mathrm{s} 0)$
s1' $=\overline{\mathrm{s} 0} \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{so} \overline{\mathrm{x}}=\mathrm{so}$ xor x
so $0^{\prime}=\bar{x}$
$\mathrm{z}=\mathrm{s} 2 \overline{\mathrm{~s} 1} \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 2 \mathrm{~s} 1 \overline{\mathrm{x}}$
- Formulas from the 6-state FSM:
$\mathrm{s}^{\prime}{ }^{\prime}=\mathrm{s} 2 \mathrm{so} 0 \mathrm{~s} 1$
$\mathrm{s} 1^{\prime}=\overline{\mathrm{s} 2} \overline{\mathrm{~s} 1} \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 2 \overline{\mathrm{so}} \mathrm{x}$
$\mathrm{s} 0^{\prime}=\overline{\mathrm{s} 2} \overline{\mathrm{~s} 1} \overline{\mathrm{x}}+\mathrm{s} 0 \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 2 \overline{\mathrm{~s} 0}+\mathrm{s} 1 \mathrm{x}$
$\mathrm{z}=\mathrm{s} 2 \overline{\mathrm{~s} 0} \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 1 \mathrm{~s} 0 \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 2$ so $\overline{\mathrm{x}}$

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## Improved Sequence Detector

- Textbook formulas for the 6-state FSM:
s2' $=$ s2 s0 + s1
$\mathrm{s} 1^{\prime}=\overline{\mathrm{s} 2} \overline{\mathrm{~s} 1} \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 2 \overline{\mathrm{~s} 0} \mathrm{x}$
$\mathrm{s} 0^{\prime}=\overline{\mathrm{s} 2} \overline{\mathrm{~s} 1} \overline{\mathrm{x}}+\mathrm{s} 0 \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 2 \overline{\mathrm{~s} 0}+\mathrm{s} 1 \mathrm{x}$
$z=s 2 \bar{s} 0 x+s 1$ so $x+s 2$ so $\bar{x}$
- New formulas for the 6 -state FSM:
$2^{\prime}=(\overline{s 0}+x)(s 2+s 1+s 0)$
s $1^{\prime}=\overline{\mathrm{s} 0} \mathrm{x}$
so $0^{\prime}=\bar{x}$
$\mathrm{z}=\mathrm{s} 2 \overline{\mathrm{~s} 1} \mathrm{x}+\mathrm{s} 2 \mathrm{~s} 1 \overline{\mathrm{x}}$

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## Choice of Flip-Flop <OPTIONAL>


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## Improved Sequence Detector

- Formulas for the 6-state FSM with D Flip-flops:
$s 2^{\prime}=(\bar{s} 0+x)(s 2+s 1+s 0)$
$s 1^{\prime}=\overline{s 0} x$
so $0^{\prime}=\bar{x}$
- Formulas for the 6 -state FSM with J-K Flip-flops:
$\mathrm{J} 2=\mathrm{s} 1+\mathrm{so} \mathrm{x} \quad \mathrm{K} 2=\mathrm{s} 0 \overline{\mathrm{x}}$
$J 1=\overline{\mathrm{s} 0} \mathrm{x} \quad \mathrm{K} 1=\overline{\mathrm{x}}$
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