



Lecture 5

Quine Mc-Clusky method (Tabular method)

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Quine-McCluskey (Tabular) Minimization

- Two step process utilizing tabular listings to:
 - Identify prime implicants (implicant tables)
 - Identify minimal PI set (cover tables)
- All work is done in tabular form
 - Number of variables is not a limitation
 - Basis for many computer implementations
 - Don't cares are easily handled
- Proper organization and term identification are key factors for correct results

Quine-McCluskey Minimization (cont.)

- Terms are initially listed one per line in groups
 - Each group contains terms with the same number of true and complemented variables
 - Terms are listed in numerical order within group
- Terms and implicants are identified using one of three common notations
 - full variable form
 - cellular form
 - 1,0,- form

Notation Forms

- Full variable form - variables and complements in algebraic form
 - hard to identify when adjacency applies
 - very easy to make mistakes
- Cellular form - terms are identified by their decimal index value
 - Easy to tell when adjacency applies; indexes must differ by power of two (one bit)
 - Implicants identified by term nos. separated by comma; differing bit pos. in () following terms

Notation Forms (cont.)

- 1,0,- form - terms are identified by their binary index value
 - Easier to translate to/from full variable form
 - Easy to identify when adjacency applies, one bit is different
 - - shows variable(s) dropped when adjacency is used
- Different forms may be mixed during the minimization

Example of Different Notations

$$F(A, B, C, D) = \Sigma m(4,5,6,8,10,13)$$

	Full variable	Cellular	1,0,-
1	$\overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D}$	4	0100
	$A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D}$	<u>8</u>	<u>1000</u>
2	$\overline{A}B\overline{C}D$	5	0101
	$\overline{A}BC\overline{D}$	6	0110
	$A\overline{B}C\overline{D}$	<u>10</u>	<u>1010</u>
3	$AB\overline{C}D$	13	1101

Implication Table (1,0,-)

- Quine-McCluskey Method
 - Tabular method to systematically find all prime implicants
 - $f(A,B,C,D) = \sum m(4,5,6,8,9,10,13) + \sum d(0,7,15)$
 - Part 1: Find all prime implicants
 - Step 1: Fill Column 1 with active-set and DC-set minterm indices. Group by number of true variables (# of 1's).

NOTE: DCs are included in this step!

Implication Table		
Column 1		
0000		
0100		
1000		
0101		
0110		
1001		
1010		
0111		
1101		
1111		

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Implication Table		
Column I		
0		
4		
8		
5		
6		
9		
10		
7		
13		
15		

Minimization - First Pass (1,0,-)

- Quine-McCluskey Method

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- Part 1: Find all prime implicants
- Step 2: Apply Adjacency - Compare elements of group with N 1's against those with N+1 1's. One bit difference implies adjacent. Eliminate variable and place in next column.

E.g., 0000 vs. 0100 yields 0-00

0000 vs. 1000 yields -000

When used in a combination, mark with a check. If cannot be combined, mark with a star. These are the prime implicants.

Repeat until nothing left.

Implication Table		
Column I	Column II	
0000 ✓	0-00	
	-000	
0100 ✓		
1000 ✓	010-	
	01-0	
0101 ✓	100-	
0110 ✓	10-0	
1001 ✓		
1010 ✓	01-1	
	-101	
0111 ✓	011-	
1101 ✓	1-01	
1111 ✓	-111	
	11-1	

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E.g., 0 vs. 4 yields 0,4(4)

5 vs. 7 yields 5,7(2)

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Implication Table		
Column I	Column II	
0 ✓	0,4(4) 0,8(8)	
4 ✓		
8 ✓	4,5(1) 4,6(2)	
5 ✓	8,9(1)	
6 ✓	8,10(2)	
9 ✓		
10 ✓	5,7(2) 5,13(8)	
7 ✓	6,7(1)	
13 ✓	9,13(4)	
15 ✓	7,15(8) 13,15(2)	

Minimization - Second Pass (1,0,-)

- Quine-McCluskey Method
 - Step 2 cont.: Apply Adjacency - Compare elements of group with N 1's against those with N+1 1's. One bit difference implies adjacent. Eliminate variable and place in next column.

E.g., 0000 vs. 0100 yields 0-00

0000 vs. 1000 yields -000

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Repeat until nothing left.

Implication Table		
Column I	Column II	Column III
0000 ✓	0-00 *	01-- *
	-000 *	
0100 ✓		
1000 ✓	010- ✓	-1-1 *
	01-0 ✓	
0101 ✓	100- *	
0110 ✓	10-0 *	
1001 ✓		
1010 ✓	01-1 ✓	
	-101 ✓	
0111 ✓	011- ✓	
1101 ✓	1-01 *	
1111 ✓	-111 ✓	
	11-1 ✓	

Minimization - Second Pass (cellular)

- Quine-McCluskey Method
 - Step 2 cont.: Apply Adjacency - Compare elements of group with N 1's against those with N+1 1's. 2^n difference implies adjacent. Next column is numbers with differences in parentheses.

E.g., 4,5(1) and 6,7(1) yields
4,5,6,7(3)

When used in a combination, mark with a check. If cannot be combined, mark with a star. These are the prime implicants.

Repeat until nothing left.

Implication Table		
Column I	Column II	Column III
0 ✓	0,4(4) * 0,8(8) *	4,5,6,7(3) *
4 ✓ 8 ✓	4,5(1) ✓ 4,6(2) ✓	5,7,13,15 (10) *
5 ✓ 6 ✓ 9 ✓	8,9(1) * 8,10(2) *	
10 ✓	5,7(2) ✓ 5,13(8) ✓	
7 ✓ 13 ✓	6,7(1) ✓ 9,13(4) *	
15 ✓	7,15(8) ✓ 13,15(2) ✓	

Prime Implicants

Prime Implicants:

AB \ CD		A			
		00	01	11	10
C	00	X	1	0	1
	01	0	1	1	1
	11	0	X	X	0
	10	0	1	0	1
		B		D	

$$0-00 = \bar{A} \bar{C} \bar{D}$$

$$-000 = \bar{B} \bar{C} \bar{D}$$

$$100- = A \bar{B} \bar{C}$$

$$10-0 = A \bar{B} \bar{D}$$

$$1-01 = A \bar{C} D$$

$$-1-1 = B D$$

$$01-- = \bar{A} B$$

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	01	0	1	1	1
	11	0	X	X	0
	10	0	1	0	1
		B			
		D			

$$0-00 = \bar{A} \bar{C} \bar{D}$$

$$-000 = \bar{B} \bar{C} \bar{D}$$

$$100- = A \bar{B} \bar{C}$$

$$10-0 = A \bar{B} \bar{D}$$

$$1-01 = A \bar{C} D$$

$$-1-1 = B D$$

$$01-- = \bar{A} B$$

Stage 2: find smallest set of prime implicants that cover the active-set

recall that essential prime implicants must be in final expression

Coverage Table

Coverage Chart

	4	5	6	8	9	10	13
0,4(0-00)	X						
0,8(-000)				X			
8,9(100-)				X	X		
8,10(10-0)				X		X	
9,13(1-01)					X		X
4,5,6,7(01--)	X	X	X				
5,7,13,15(-1-1)		X					X

Note: Don't include DCs in coverage table; they don't have covered by the final logic expression!

Rows = Prime Implicants

Columns = ON-set elements

Place an "X" if ON-set element is covered by the prime implicant.

Coverage Table (cont.)

Coverage Chart

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8,9(100-)				X	X		
8,10(10-0)				X		X	
9,13(1-01)					X		X
4,5,6,7(01--)	X	X	X				
5,7,13,15(-1-1)		X					X

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Columns = ON-set elements
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0,8(-000)				X			
8,9(100-)				X	X		
8,10(10-0)				X		X	
9,13(1-01)					X		X
4,5,6,7(01--)	X	X	X				
5,7,13,15(-1-1)		X					X

If column has a single X, then the implicant associated with the row is essential. It must appear in minimum cover

Coverage Table (cont.)

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0,4(0-00)	X						
0,8(-000)				X			
8,9(100-)				X	X		
8,10(10-0)				X		X	
9,13(1-01)					X		X
4,5,6,7(01--)	X	X	X				
5,7,13,15(-1-1)		X					X

Eliminate all columns covered by essential primes

Coverage Table (cont.)

	4	5	6	8	9	10	13
0,4(0-00)	X						
0,8(\000)				X			
8,9(100-)				X	X		
8,10(10-0)				X		X	
9,13(1-01)					X		X
4,5,6,7(01--)	X	X	X				
5,7,13,15(-1-1)		X					X

Eliminate all columns covered by essential primes

	4	5	6	8	9	10	13
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0,8(\000)				X			
8,9(100-)				X	X		
8,10(10-0)				X		X	
9,13(1-01)					X		X
4,5,6,7(01--)	X	X	X				
5,7,13,15(-1-1)		X					X

Find minimum set of rows that cover the remaining columns

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