

# Simplification of Combinatorial Digital Logic

**CS 64: Computer Organization and Design Logic**

**Lecture #12**

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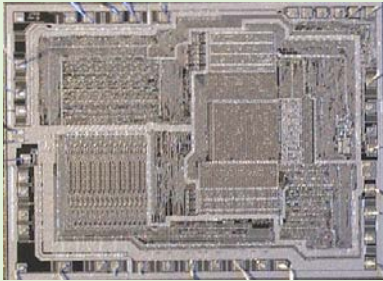
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# This Week on "Didja Know Dat?!"

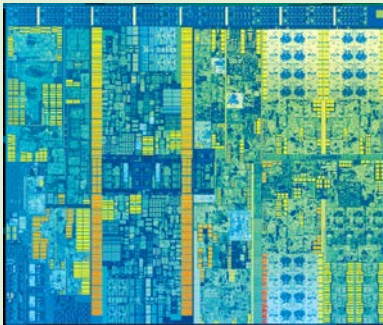
One of the first commercially available micro-processors (CPUs) was Intel's 8008 in the early 1970s and its follow-up the 8080 (1976).

**The 8080 is STILL in production!**

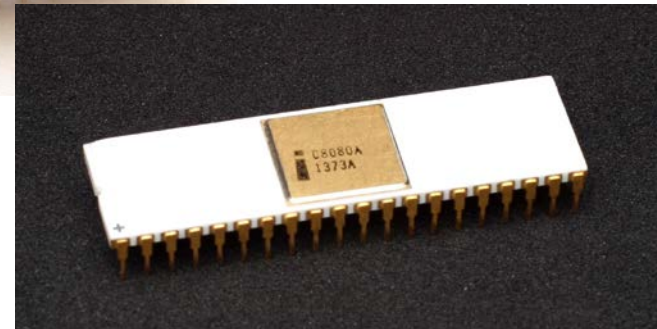
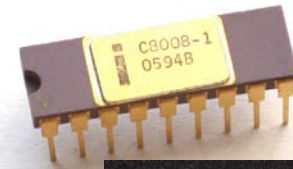
The size of the 8080 semiconductor (i.e. inside the ceramic package with all the pins) is  $4.2 \times 4.8 \text{ mm}^2$  ( $20.16 \text{ mm}^2$ )



By comparison, the Intel i7 Dual Core is  $9.2 \times 13.5 \text{ mm}^2$  ( $124.2 \text{ mm}^2$ )



**BUT THAT'S NOT A FAIR COMPARISON!**



**8088:** 16-bit CPU.  
Cannot run Windows 1.0!

**i7 Core:** 64-bit CPUs.  
Have a TON more features.

*How do they do that?*

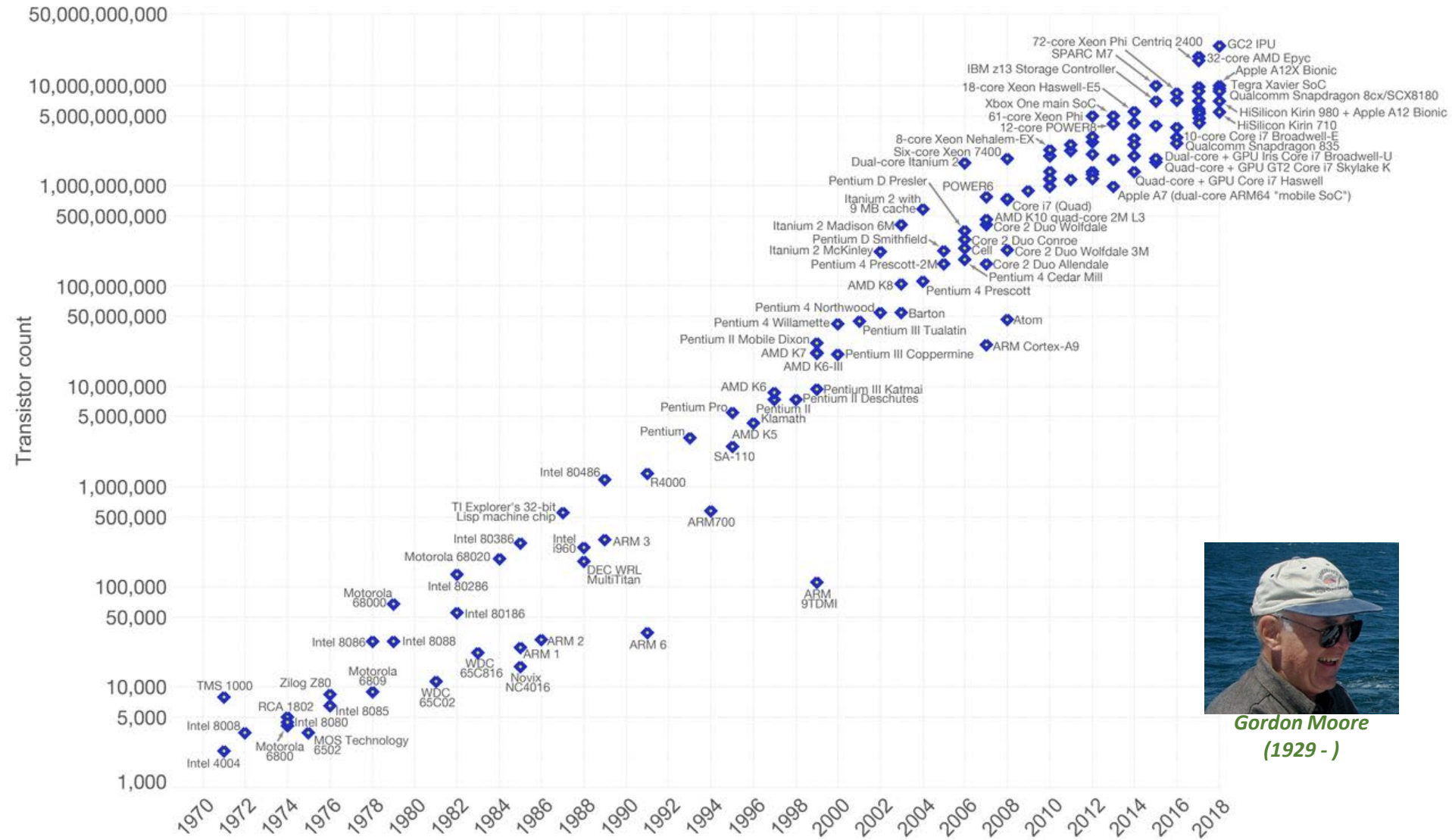
Moore's Law

**The number of *transistors* on a microchip doubles every two years, though the cost of computers is halved.**

*More transistors* means higher capabilities. *Smaller transistors* mean higher speeds.

# Moore's Law – The number of transistors on integrated circuit chips (1971-2018)

Moore's law describes the empirical regularity that the number of transistors on integrated circuits doubles approximately every two years. This advancement is important as other aspects of technological progress – such as processing speed or the price of electronic products – are linked to Moore's law.



Gordon Moore (1929 - )

Data source: Wikipedia ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transistor\\_count](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Transistor_count))

The data visualization is available at [OurWorldinData.org](https://www.ourworldindata.org). There you find more visualizations and research on this topic.

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# Administrative

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- Lab 6 due Thursday
- You have 3 more labs after this...
- Midterm Exam Grades are On GauchoSpace

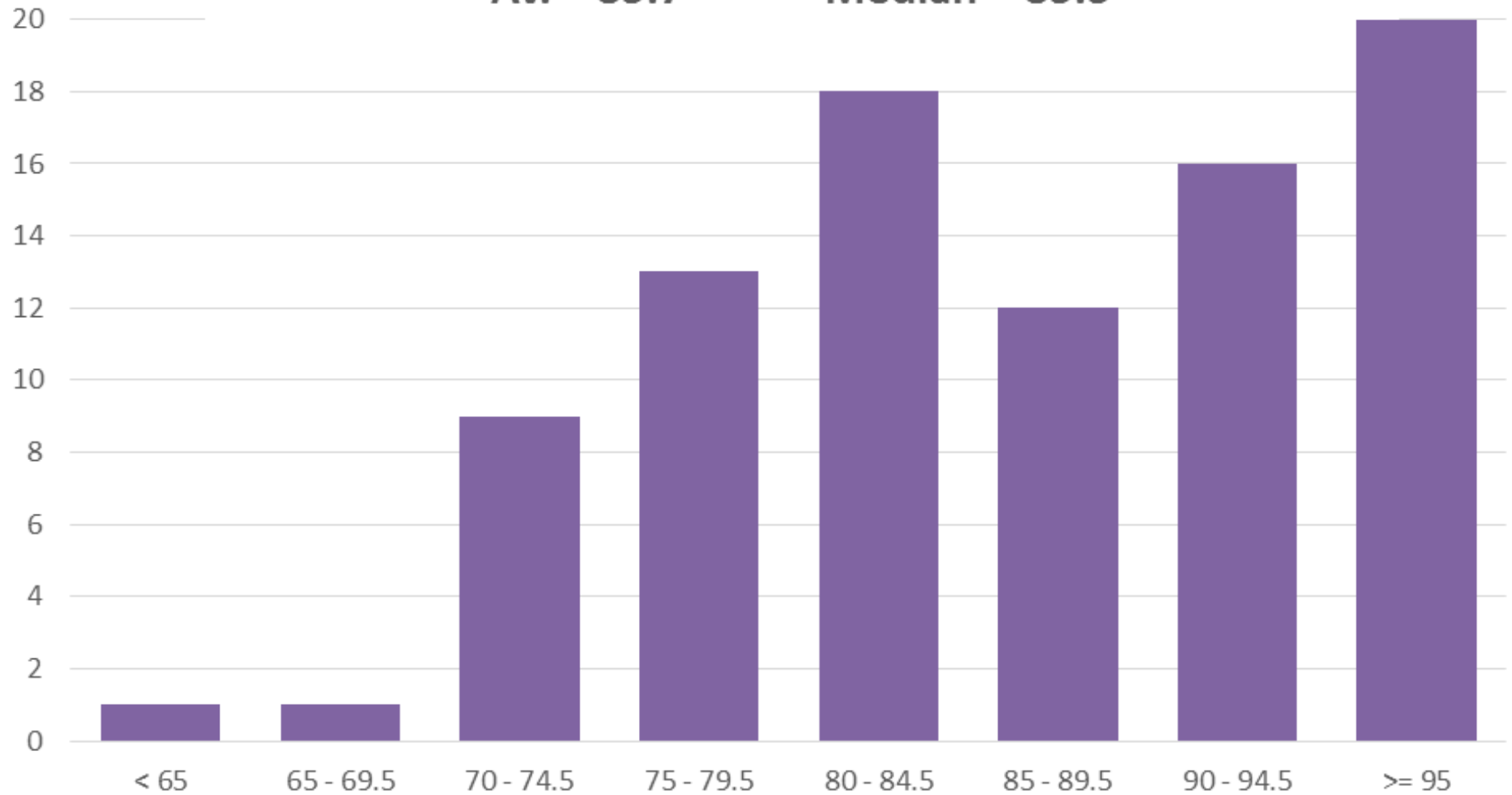
# Reviewing Your Midterm Exams

- You can review your midterm with a TA during office hours
  - *Last name: A thru P*                      **Kunlong Liu**                      **Tu 3 pm – 5 pm**
  - *Last name: Q thru Z*                      **Michael Christensen**                      **Tu 10 am – 12 pm**
  - If you can't go to these o/hs, you can see me instead, but let me know ***many days ahead of time*** first so I can get your exam from the TA...
- When reviewing your exams:
  - Do **not** take pictures, do not copy the questions
  - TA cannot change your grade
    - If you have a legitimate case for grade change, the prof. will decide
    - Legitimate = When we graded, we added the total points wrong
    - Not legitimate = Why did you take off  $N$  points on this question????

# CS64, W20, Midterm Exam Grade Distribution

Av. = 85.7

Median = 85.5



# Lecture Outline

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- Simplifying Binary Functions using **Karnaugh Maps**
- Using “**Don’t Cares**” for further simplification
- **Multiplexers** (i.e. Muxes)

# Digital Circuit Design Process

**CAN THIS PROCESS BE REVERSED?**

Function  
definition

adder



Truth  
table

A	B	Carry	Sum
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

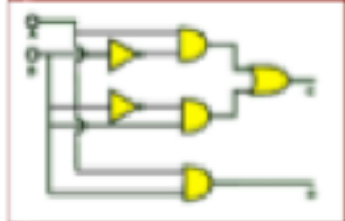


Boolean  
expression

$$\text{Sum} = (A\bar{B}) + (\bar{A}B)$$
$$\text{Carry} = AB$$



Logic  
block





# Scaling Up Simplification

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- When we get to *more* than 3 variables, it becomes challenging to use truth tables
- We can instead use ***Karnaugh Maps*** to make it immediately apparent as to what can be simplified

# Example of a K-Map

A	B	f(A,B)
0	0	a
0	1	b
1	0	c
1	1	d

B \ A	0	1
0	a	c
1	b	d

A	B	f(A,B)
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

B \ A	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	1

# K-Maps with 3 or 4 Variables

		<i>A</i>			
		<i>AB</i>	<i>00</i>	<i>01</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>C</i>	<i>0</i>	0	2	6	4
	<i>1</i>	1	3	7	5
		<i>B</i>			

		<i>A</i>			
		<i>AB</i>	<i>00</i>	<i>01</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>C</i>	<i>00</i>	0	4	12	8
	<i>01</i>	1	5	13	9
	<i>11</i>	3	7	15	11
	<i>10</i>	2	6	14	10
			<i>D</i>		
		<i>B</i>			

Note the adjacent placement of:

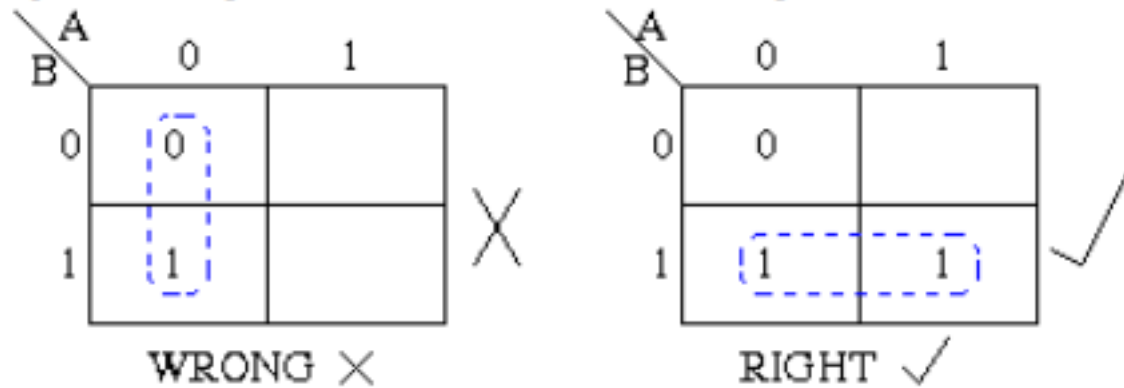
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It's NOT:

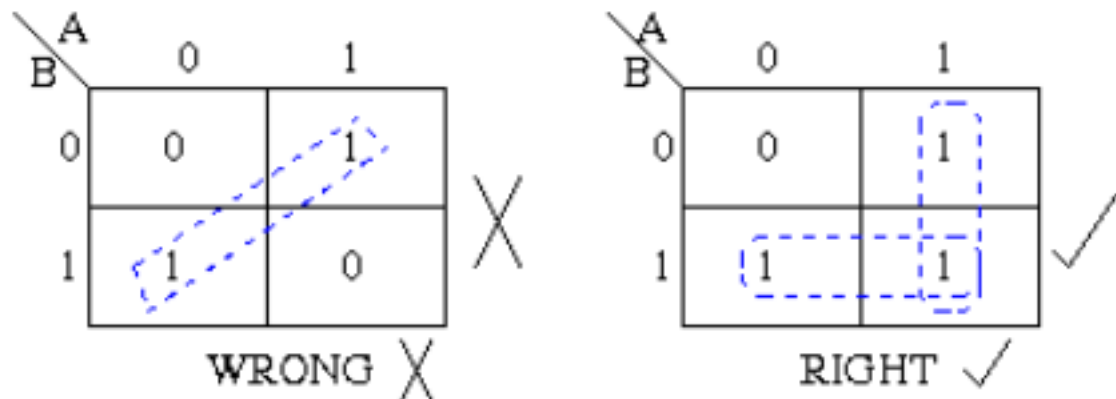
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# Rules for Using K-Maps for Simplification

1. Group together **adjacent cells** containing “1”
2. Groups should **not include** anything containing “0”

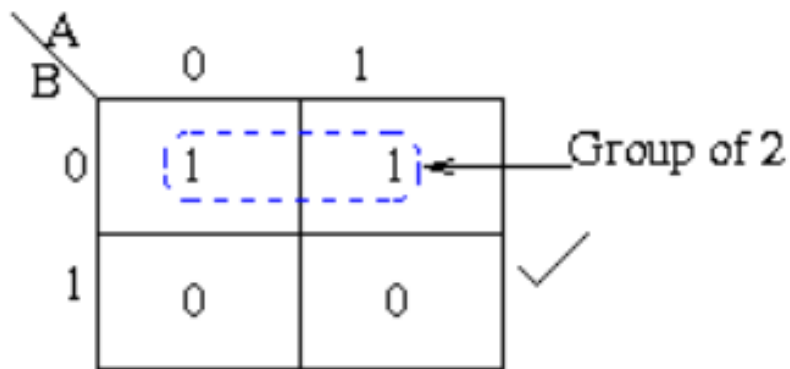


3. Groups may be horizontal or vertical, but **not diagonal**

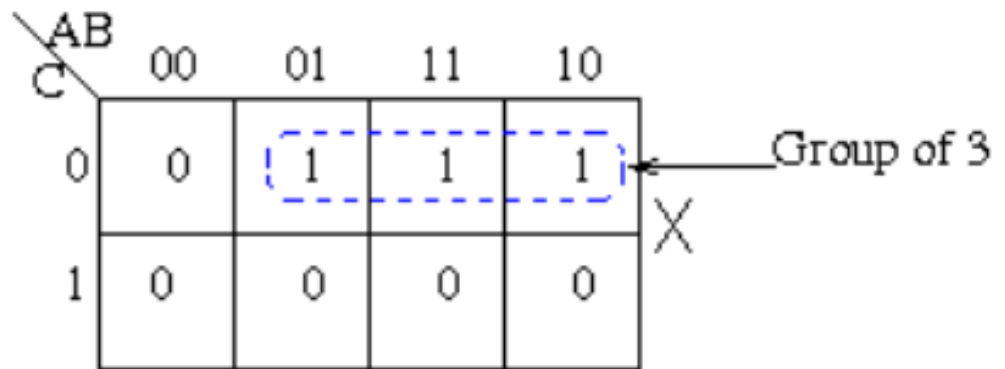


# Rules for Using K-Maps for Simplification

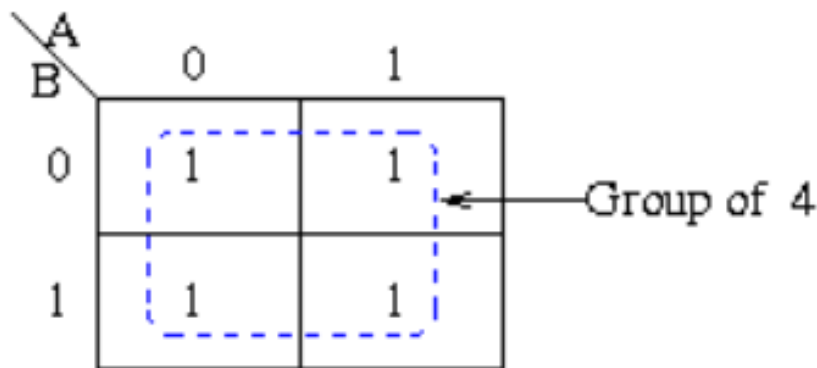
## 4. Groups must contain 1, 2, 4, 8, or in general $2^n$ cells.



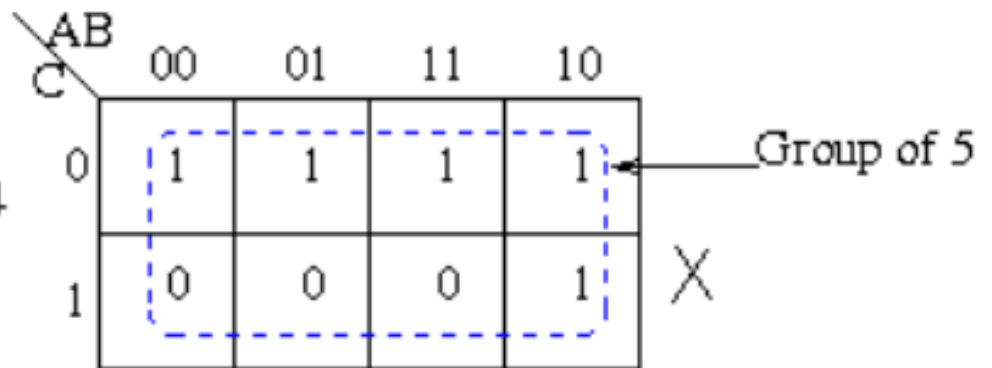
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WRONG ✗



RIGHT ✓



WRONG ✗

# Rules for Using K-Maps for Simplification

## 5. Each group must be as large as possible

(Otherwise we're not being as minimal as we can be, even though we're not breaking any Boolean rules)

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

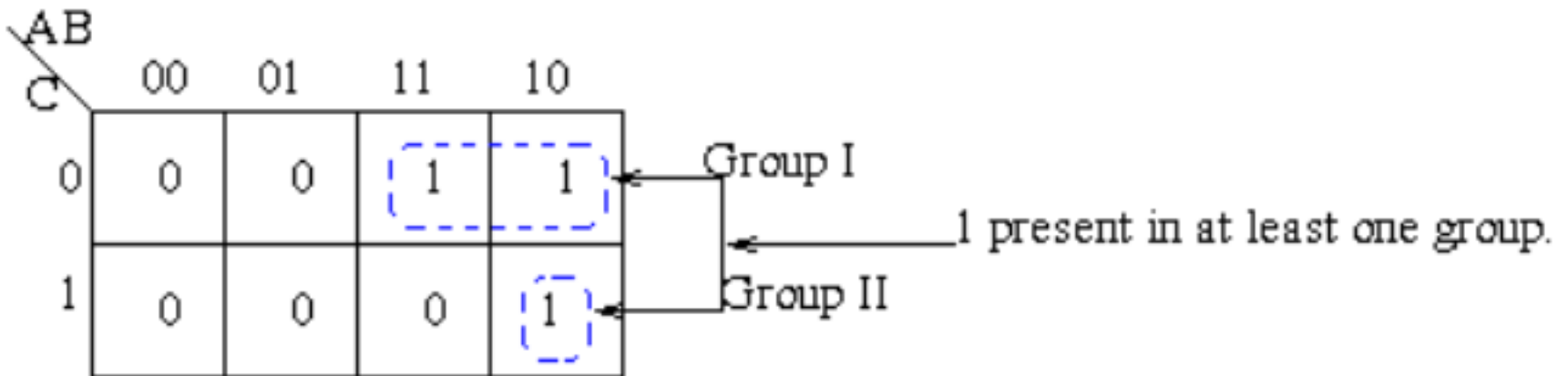
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$C \backslash AB$	00	01	11	10
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1

WRONG ✗

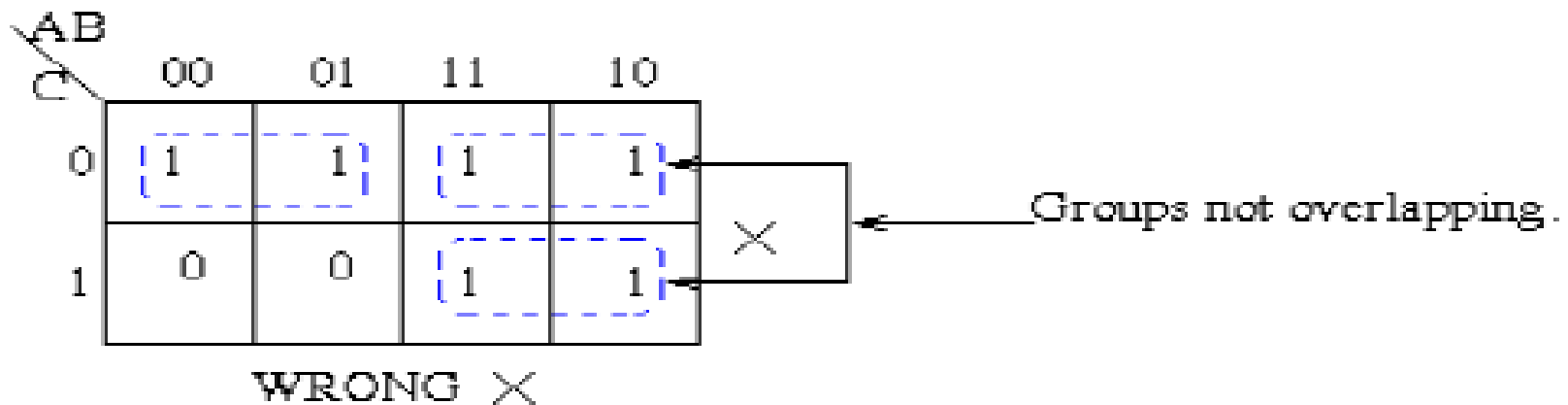
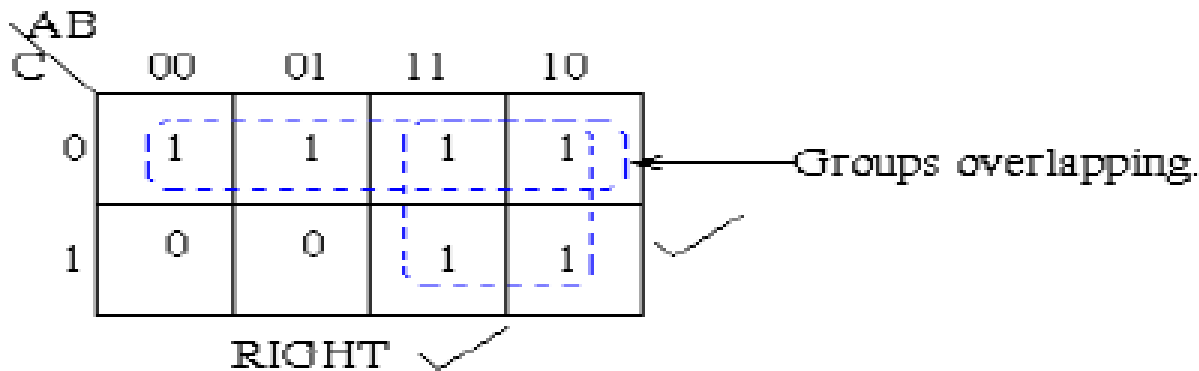
# Rules for Using K-Maps for Simplification

## 6. Each cell containing a "1" must be at least in one group



# Rules for Using K-Maps for Simplification

## 7. Groups may overlap esp. to maximize group size

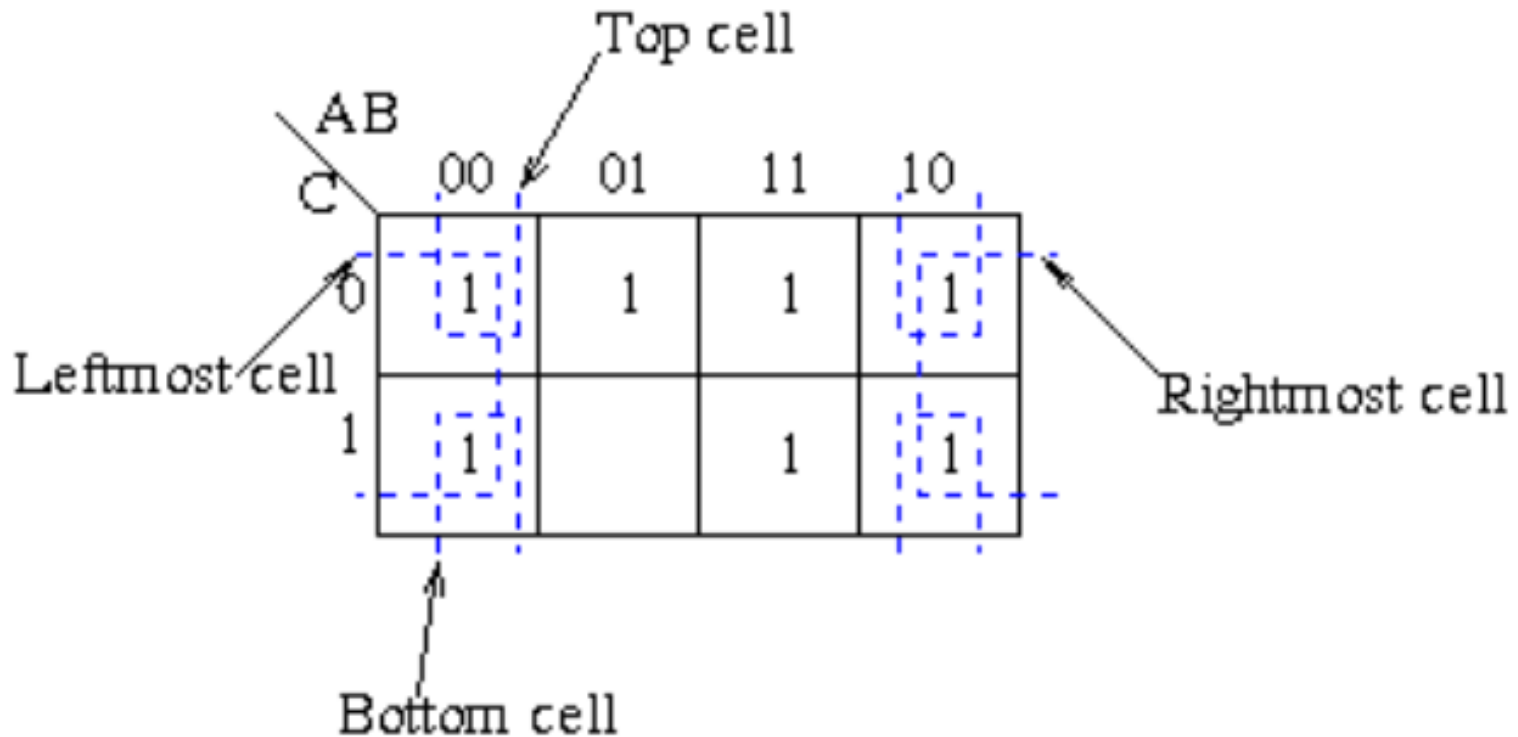




# Rules for Using K-Maps for Simplification

## 8. Groups may wrap around the table.

The leftmost cell in a row may be grouped with the rightmost cell and the top cell in a column may be grouped with the bottom cell.



# Example 1: *2 variables*

$F(X,Y)$

$$= XY + Y$$

$$= Y(X + 1)$$

$$= Y$$

**Y = 1 column**

X \ Y	0	1
0		1
1		1

*Verifying results!*

$$F(X,Y) = Y$$

## Example 2: 3 variables

$F(X,Y,Z)$

$$= XZ + Z(X' + XY)$$

$$= XZ + ZX' + ZXY$$

$$= Z(X + X' + XY)$$

$$= Z(1 + XY)$$

$$= Z$$

Z \ XY	00	01	11	10
0				
1	1	1	1	1

**Verifying results!**

$$F(X,Y,Z) = Z$$

Example 3: *3 variables*

$$\neg A \neg B \neg C + \neg A \neg B C + \neg A B \neg C + \neg A B C + A \neg B \neg C + A \neg B C$$

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

$$F(X,Y,Z) = \neg C + \neg A$$

# Example 4: 4 variables

$F(A,X,Y,Z)$

$$= AX + Z(X+!A+Y)$$

$$= AX + ZX + Z!A + ZY$$

$$F(A,X,Y,Z) = Z!A + AX + ZY$$

AZ \ XY		Y = 1		X = 1	
		01	11	10	00
00					
01	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
11		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	
10			<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	

A red arrow points from the  $Z!A$  term in the simplified equation to the red dashed boxes in the Karnaugh map, which highlight the cells where  $Z=1$  and  $A=0$ .

# Class Ex.

Example 4: 4 variables

$$F(A,B,C,D) = ABC!D + ABC!D + CD + !A!B + !CD$$

A 4x4 Karnaugh map for variables A, B, C, and D. The columns are labeled AB (00, 01, 11, 10) and the rows are labeled CD (00, 01, 11, 10). The map contains 1s in the following cells: (00,00), (01,00), (01,01), (11,01), (10,01), (01,11), (11,11), (10,11), (01,10), and (11,10). Groupings are shown with brackets: a blue bracket for B=1 covering columns 01 and 11; a yellow bracket for A=1 covering columns 11 and 10; a grey bracket for D=1 covering rows 01 and 11; and a yellow bracket for C=1 covering rows 11 and 10. Red dashed boxes highlight the prime implicants: a vertical box for !A!B, a horizontal box for D, a vertical box for ABC, and a vertical box for !CD.

CD \ AB	00	01	11	10
00	1			
01	1	1	1	1
11	1	1	1	1
10	1		1	

$$F(A,B,C,D) = !A!B + D + ABC$$

# K-Map Rules Summary

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1. Groups can contain only 1s
2. Only 1s in adjacent groups are allowed
3. Groups may ONLY be horizontal or vertical (no diagonals)
4. The number of 1s in a group must be a power of two (1, 2, 4, 8...)
5. Groups must be as large AND as few in no.s as “legally” possible
6. All 1s must belong to a group, even if it’s a group of one element
7. Overlapping groups are permitted
8. Wrapping around the map is permitted

# Exploiting “Don’t Cares”

- An *output variable* that’s designated “don’t care” (symbol = **X**) means that it could be a **0** or a **1** (i.e. we “don’t care” which)
- That is, it is **unspecified**,  
usually because of invalid inputs
- In K-Maps, “Don’t Cares” Can Be **Advantageous!!**



# Example of a Don't Care Situation

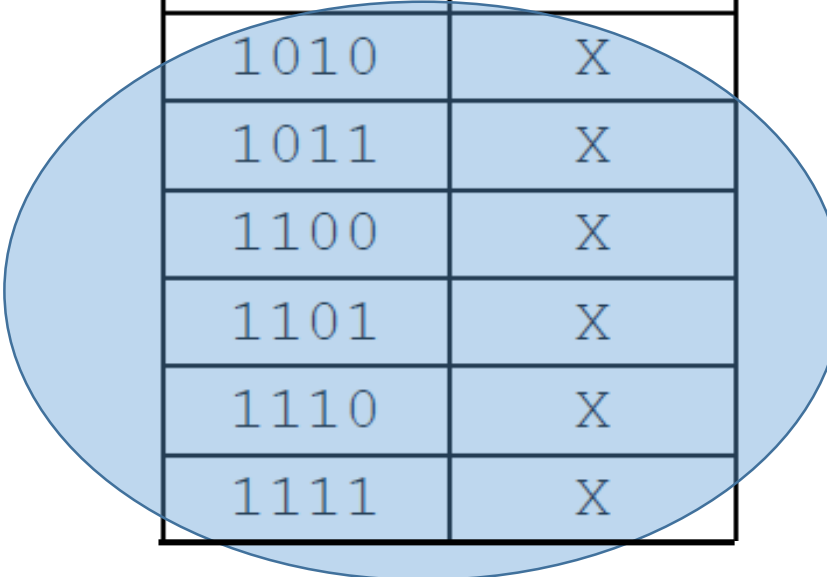
- Consider coding all decimal digits:
  - 0 thru 9 --- requires how many bits?
    - 4 bits
  - But! 4 bits convey more numbers than that!
    - 4 bits is 16 numbers!
- So... Not all binary values will map to a decimal digit



## Example Continued...

Binary	Decimal
0000	0
0001	1
0010	2
0011	3
0100	4
0101	5
0110	6
0111	7

Binary	Decimal
1000	8
1001	9
1010	X
1011	X
1100	X
1101	X
1110	X
1111	X



*These combination of input binaries will never be used, so their outcome is "don't care"!*

# Don't Care: So What?

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- Recall that in a K-map, we can only group **1s**
- Because the value of a don't care is irrelevant, we can treat it as a **1** *if it is convenient to do so* (or a 0 if that would be more convenient)

# Example

- A circuit that calculates if the 4-bit binary coded *single digit* decimal **input % 2 == 0**
- So, although 4-bits will give me numbers from 0 to 15, I *don't care* about the ones that yield 10 to 15.

I3	I2	I1	I0	R
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	X
1	0	1	1	X
1	1	0	0	X
1	1	0	1	X
1	1	1	0	X
1	1	1	1	X

# Example as a K-Map

		$I_1 I_0$			
		00	01	11	10
$I_3 I_2$	00	1	0	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	01	1	0	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	11	X	X	X	X
	10	1	0	X	X

# If We Don't Exploit "Don't Cares"

$$R = \bar{I}_0 \bar{I}_3 + \bar{I}_0 \bar{I}_1 \bar{I}_3$$

		$I_1 I_0$			
		00	01	11	10
$I_3 I_2$	00	1	0	0	1
	01	1	0	0	1
	11	X	X	X	X
	10	1	0	X	X

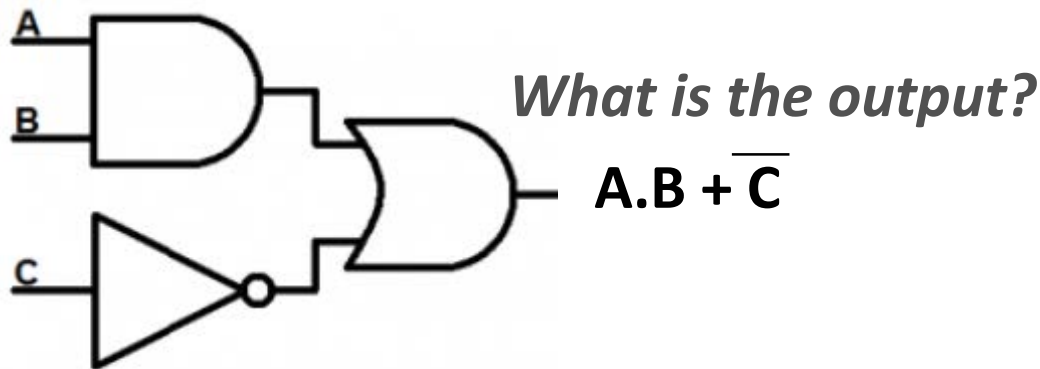
# If We **DO Exploit** “Don’t Cares”

$$R = \bar{I}_0$$

$I_3 I_2$ \ $I_1 I_0$		$I_1 I_0$			
		00	01	11	10
$I_3 I_2$	00	1	0	0	1
	01	1	0	0	1
	11	X	X	X	X
	10	1	0	X	X

# Combinatorial Logic Designs

- When you *combine* multiple logic blocks together to form a more complex logic function/circuit



What is its truth table?

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

What is its K-Map?

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



# YOUR TO-DOs

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- Lab 6 due this Thursday!
- New Lab 7 will be out by Wednesday...

**</LECTURE>**