

CprE 281: Digital Logic

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Karnaugh Maps

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- **HW4 is out**
- **It is due on Monday Sep 21 @ 4 pm**
- **It is posted on the class web page**
- **I also sent you an e-mail with the link.**

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- **Homework Solutions are posted on BlackBoard**

Quick Review

Do You Still Remember This Boolean Algebra Theorem?

$$14a. \quad \mathbf{x \cdot y + x \cdot \bar{y} = x}$$

$$14b. \quad \mathbf{(x + y) \cdot (x + \bar{y}) = x}$$

Combining

Let's prove 14.a

x	y	$\mathbf{x \cdot y + x \cdot \bar{y} = x}$
0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

Let's prove 14.a

x	y	$\mathbf{x \cdot y + x \cdot \bar{y} = x}$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Let's prove 14.a

x	y	$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{x}$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	1

Let's prove 14.a

x	y	$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{x}$
0	0	0 0 0
0	1	0 0 0
1	0	0 1 1
1	1	1 1 0

Let's prove 14.a

x	y	$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{x}$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	1

Let's prove 14.a

x	y	$\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{x}$
0	0	0 0 0 0
0	1	0 0 0 0
1	0	0 1 1 1
1	1	1 1 0 1

They are equal.

Motivation

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

**An approach for simplifying
logic expressions**

**How do we guarantee we
have reached minimum SOP/
POS representation?**

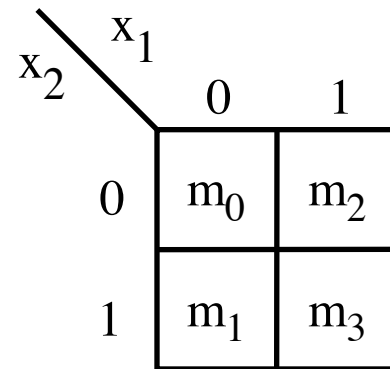
Two-Variable K-Map

Karnaugh Map (K-map)

- View the function in a visual form
- Same information as truth table
- Easier to group minterms

x_1	x_2	
0	0	m_0
0	1	m_1
1	0	m_2
1	1	m_3

(a) Truth table



(b) Karnaugh map

Minterms

x_1	x_2	
0	0	m_0
0	1	m_1
1	0	m_2
1	1	m_3

x_1	x_2	m_0	m_1	m_2	m_3
0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	1

Minterm Example

x_1	x_2	
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

x_1	x_2	m_0	m_1	m_2	m_3	$m_1 + m_3$
0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	1

Minterm Example

x_1	x_2	
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

x_1	x_2	m_0	m_1	m_2	m_3	$m_1 + m_3$
0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	1

$$\bar{x}_1 x_2 + x_1 x_2 = x_2$$

Grouping Example

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	0	0

m_0

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	0	0
	1	1	0

m_1

Grouping Example

	x_1	0	1
x_2			
0		1	0
1		0	0

m_0

+

	x_1	0	1
x_2			
0		0	0
1		1	0

m_1

=

	x_1	0	1
x_2			
0		1	0
1		1	0

$m_0 + m_1$

Grouping Example

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	0	0

m_0

+

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	0	0
	1	1	0

m_1

=

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	1	0

$m_0 + m_1$

Grouping Example

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	0	0

m_0

$\bar{x}_1\bar{x}_2$

+

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	0	0
	1	1	0

m_1

\bar{x}_1x_2

=

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	1	0

$m_0 + m_1$

\bar{x}_1

Property 14a (Combining)

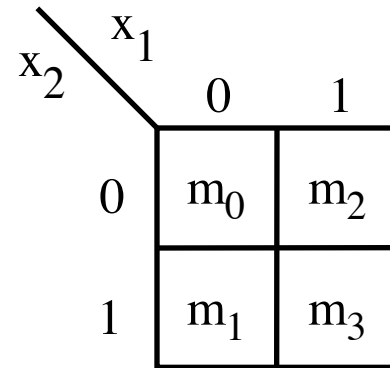
Grouping Rules

- **Group “1”s with rectangles**
- **Both sides a power of 2:**
 - **1x1, 1x2, 2x1, 2x2, 1x4, 4x1, 2x4, 4x2, 4x4**
- **Can use the same minterm more than once**
- **Can wrap around the edges of the map**
- **Some rules in selecting groups:**
 - **Try to use as few groups as possible to cover all “1”s.**
 - **For each group, try to make it as large as you can (i.e., if you can use a 2x2, don’t use a 2x1 even if that is enough).**

Two-Variable K-map

x_1	x_2	
0	0	m_0
0	1	m_1
1	0	m_2
1	1	m_3

(a) Truth table



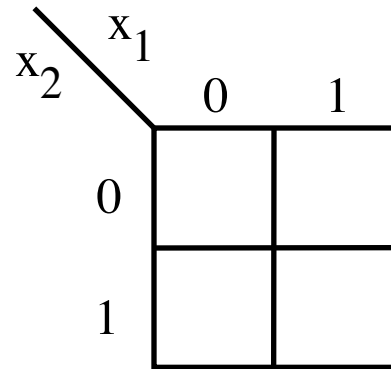
(b) Karnaugh map

Step-By-Step Example

x_1	x_2	
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

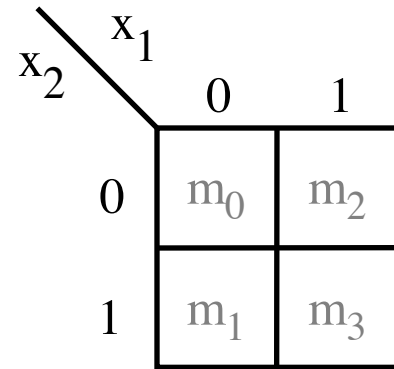
1. Draw The Map

x_1	x_2	
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1



2. Fill The Map

	x_1	x_2	
m_0	0	0	1
m_1	0	1	1
m_2	1	0	0
m_3	1	1	1



2. Fill The Map

	x_1	x_2	
m_0	0	0	1
m_1	0	1	1
m_2	1	0	0
m_3	1	1	1

x_2	x_1	0	1
0		1	0
1		1	1

3. Group

	x_1	x_2	
m_0	0	0	1
m_1	0	1	1
m_2	1	0	0
m_3	1	1	1

$x_2 \backslash x_1$	0	1
0	1	0
1	1	1

3. Group

	x_1	x_2	
m_0	0	0	1
m_1	0	1	1
m_2	1	0	0
m_3	1	1	1

$x_2 \backslash x_1$	0	1
0	1	0
1	1	1

3. Group

	x_1	x_2	
m_0	0	0	1
m_1	0	1	1
m_2	1	0	0
m_3	1	1	1

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	1	1

4. Write The Expression

x_1	x_2	
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

$x_2 \backslash x_1$	0	1
0	1	0
1	1	1

4. Write The Expression

x_1	x_2	
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

$x_2 \backslash x_1$	0	1
0	1	0
1	1	1

$$\bar{x}_1 + x_2$$

Writing The Expression

- Find which variable is constant

		x_1	
	x_2		
		0	1
0		1	0
1		1	0

\bar{x}_1 is constant

Writing The Expression

- Find which variable is constant

		x_1	
	x_2		
		0	1
0		0	1
1		0	1

x_1 is constant

These are all valid groupings

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	m_0	m_2
	1	m_1	m_3

Groupings: m_0, m_1 (vertical), m_2, m_3 (vertical)

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	m_0	m_2
	1	m_1	m_3

Groupings: m_2, m_3 (vertical), m_0, m_1 (horizontal)

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	m_0	m_2
	1	m_1	m_3

Groupings: m_0, m_2 (horizontal), m_1, m_3 (horizontal)

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	m_0	m_2
	1	m_1	m_3

Groupings: m_1, m_3 (horizontal), m_0, m_2 (horizontal)

These are also valid

	x_1		
x_2		0	1
0		m_0	m_2
1		m_1	m_3

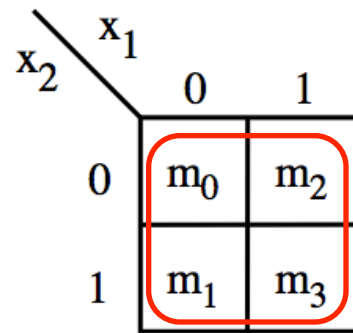
	x_1		
x_2		0	1
0		m_0	m_2
1		m_1	m_3

	x_1		
x_2		0	1
0		m_0	m_2
1		m_1	m_3

	x_1		
x_2		0	1
0		m_0	m_2
1		m_1	m_3

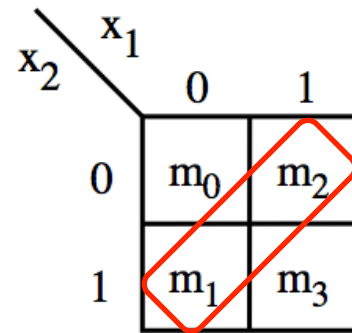
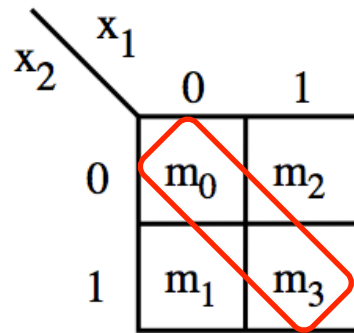
But try to use larger rectangles if possible.

This one is valid too



In this case the result is the constant function 1.

Why are these two not valid?



Let's Find Out

	x_1		
x_2		0	1
0		1	0
1		0	0

m_0

	x_1		
x_2		0	1
0		0	0
1		0	1

m_3

Let's Find Out

	x_1	0	1
x_2			
0		1	0
1		0	0

m_0

+

	x_1	0	1
x_2			
0		0	0
1		0	1

m_3

=

	x_1	0	1
x_2			
0		1	0
1		0	1

$m_0 + m_3$

Let's Find Out

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	0	0

m_0

+

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	0	0
	1	0	1

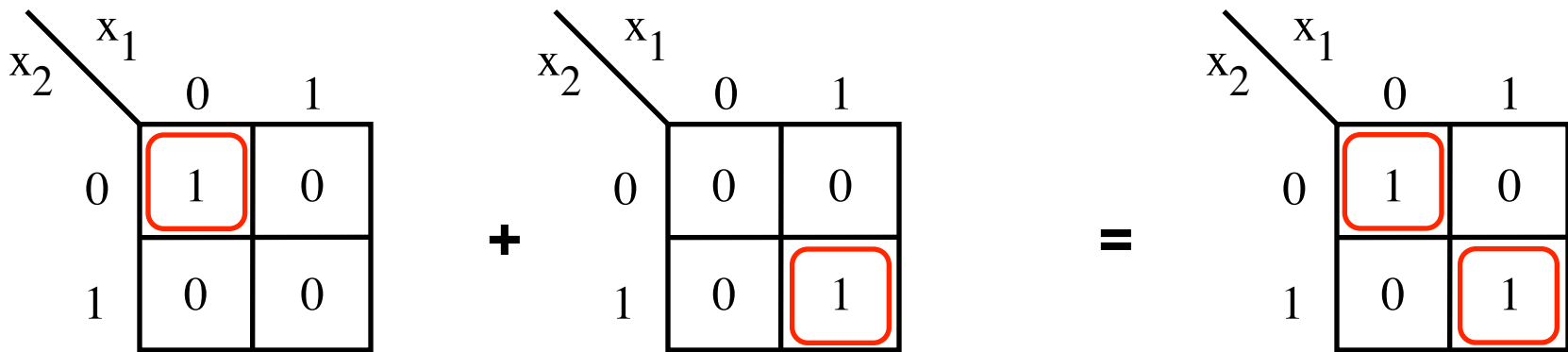
m_3

=

	x_1	0	1
x_2	0	1	0
	1	0	1

$m_0 + m_3$

Let's Find Out



m_0

+

m_3

=

$m_0 + m_3$

$\bar{x}_1\bar{x}_2$

+

x_1x_2

=

$\bar{x}_1\bar{x}_2 + x_1x_2$

We can't use Property 14a here. This can't be simplified.

Three-Variable K-Map

Location of three-variable minterms

x_1	x_2	x_3	
0	0	0	m_0
0	0	1	m_1
0	1	0	m_2
0	1	1	m_3
1	0	0	m_4
1	0	1	m_5
1	1	0	m_6
1	1	1	m_7

(a) Truth table

		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

(b) Karnaugh map

Location of three-variable minterms

x_1	x_2	x_3	
0	0	0	m_0
0	0	1	m_1
0	1	0	m_2
0	1	1	m_3
1	0	0	m_4
1	0	1	m_5
1	1	0	m_6
1	1	1	m_7

(a) Truth table

		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

(b) Karnaugh map

Notice the placement of

- **Variables**
- **Binary pair values**
- **Minterms**

Gray Code

- **Sequence of binary codes**
- **Vary by only 1 bit**

	000
	001
00	011
01	010
11	110
10	111
	101
	100

Gray Code & K-map

	s	x_1	x_2
m_0	0	0	0
m_1	0	0	1
m_2	0	1	0
m_3	0	1	1
m_4	1	0	0
m_5	1	0	1
m_6	1	1	0
m_7	1	1	1

		$s x_1$			
		00	01	11	10
x_2	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

Gray Code & K-map

	s	x_1	x_2
m_0	0	0	0
m_1	0	0	1
m_2	0	1	0
m_3	0	1	1
m_4	1	0	0
m_5	1	0	1
m_6	1	1	0
m_7	1	1	1

		$s x_1$			
		00	01	11	10
x_2	0	000	010	110	100
	1	001	011	111	101

Adjacency Rules

		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

adjacent
columns



These are valid groupings

		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

		x_1x_2			
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		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

These are valid groupings

$x_3 \backslash x_1x_2$	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

$x_3 \backslash x_1x_2$	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

$x_3 \backslash x_1x_2$	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

$x_3 \backslash x_1x_2$	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
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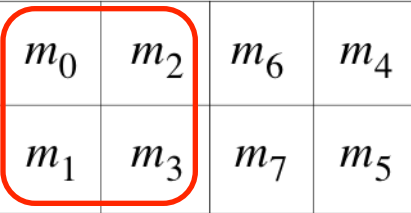
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		x_1x_2			
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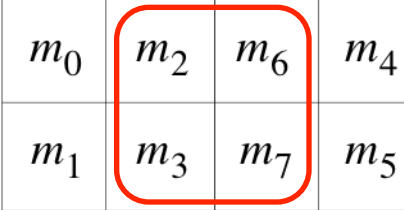
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These are valid groupings

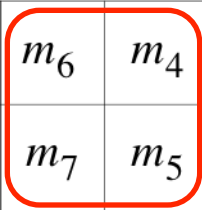
x_3 \ x_1x_2	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5



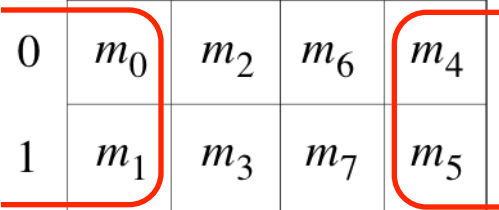
x_3 \ x_1x_2	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5



x_3 \ x_1x_2	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5



x_3 \ x_1x_2	00	01	11	10
0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5



These are valid groupings

		x_1x_2			
x_3		00	01	11	10
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1		m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

		x_1x_2			
x_3		00	01	11	10
0		m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
1		m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

This is a valid grouping

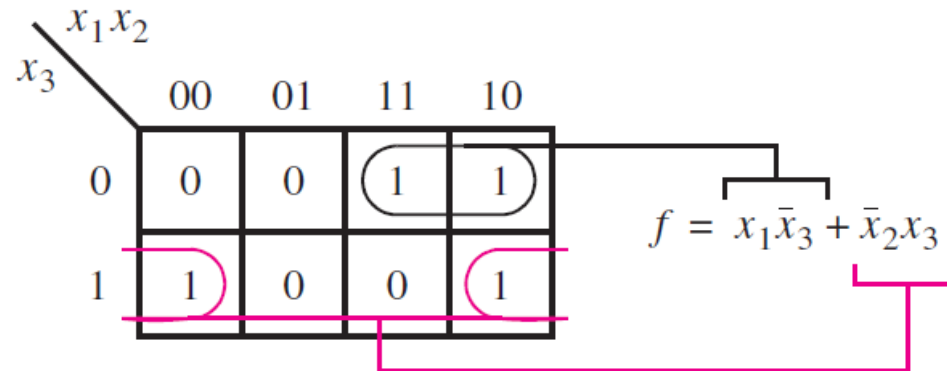
		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

Some invalid groupings

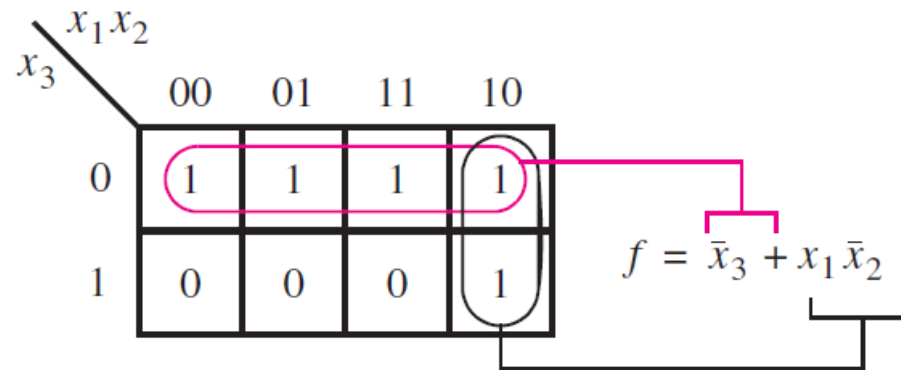
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		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
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	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

Examples of three-variable Karnaugh maps



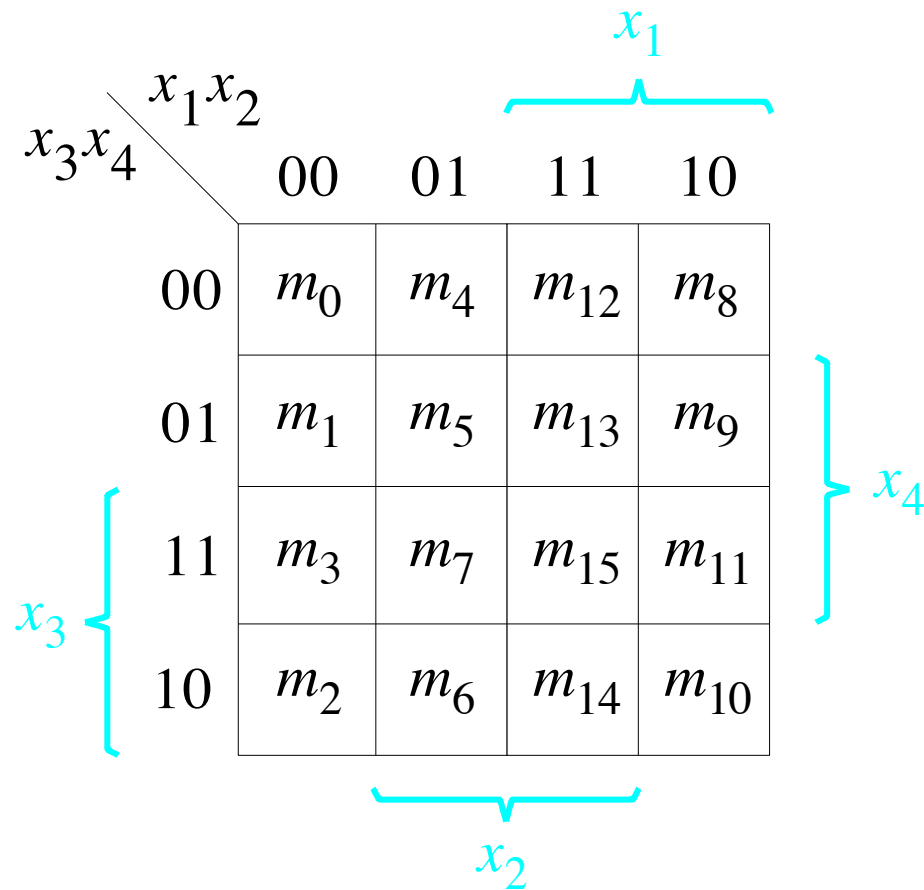
(a) The function of Figure 2.23



(b) The function of Figure 2.48

Four-Variable K-Map

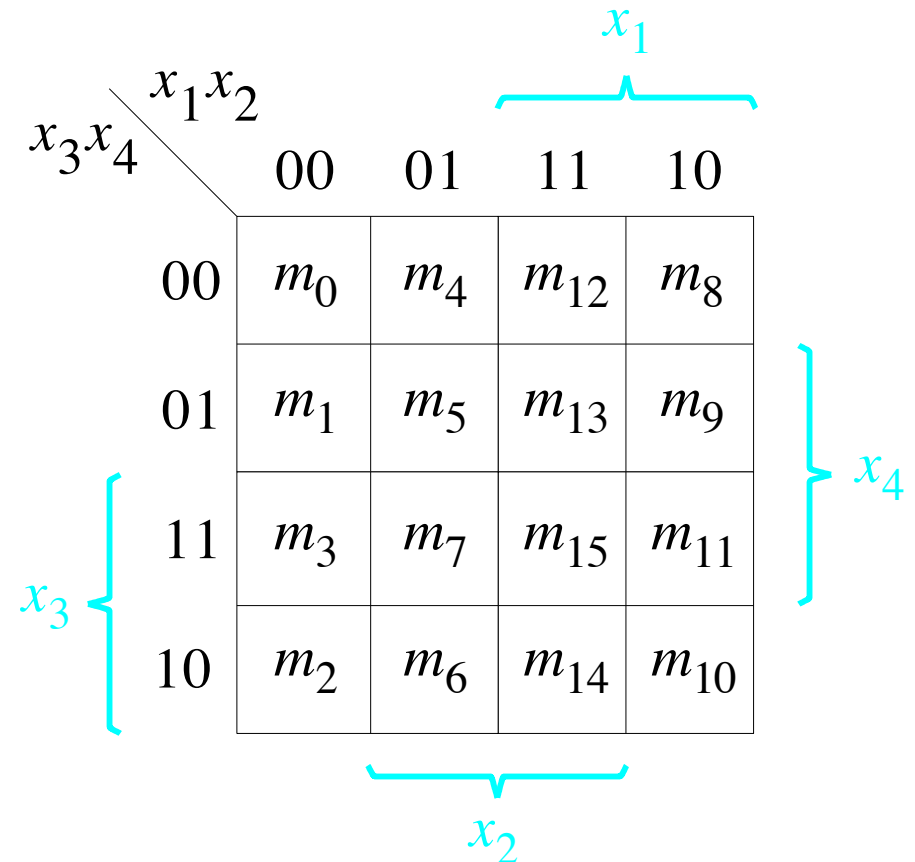
A four-variable Karnaugh map



[Figure 2.53 from the textbook]

A four-variable Karnaugh map

x1	x2	x3	x4	
0	0	0	0	m0
0	0	0	1	m1
0	0	1	0	m2
0	0	1	1	m3
0	1	0	0	m4
0	1	0	1	m5
0	1	1	0	m6
0	1	1	1	m7
1	0	0	0	m8
1	0	0	1	m9
1	0	1	0	m10
1	0	1	1	m11
1	1	0	0	m12
1	1	0	1	m13
1	1	1	0	m14
1	1	1	1	m15



Adjacency Rules

		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3	0	m_0	m_2	m_6	m_4
	1	m_1	m_3	m_7	m_5

adjacent
columns



		x_1x_2			
		00	01	11	10
x_3x_4	00	m_0	m_4	m_{12}	m_8
	01	m_1	m_5	m_{13}	m_9
	11	m_3	m_7	m_{15}	m_{11}
	10	m_2	m_6	m_{14}	m_{10}

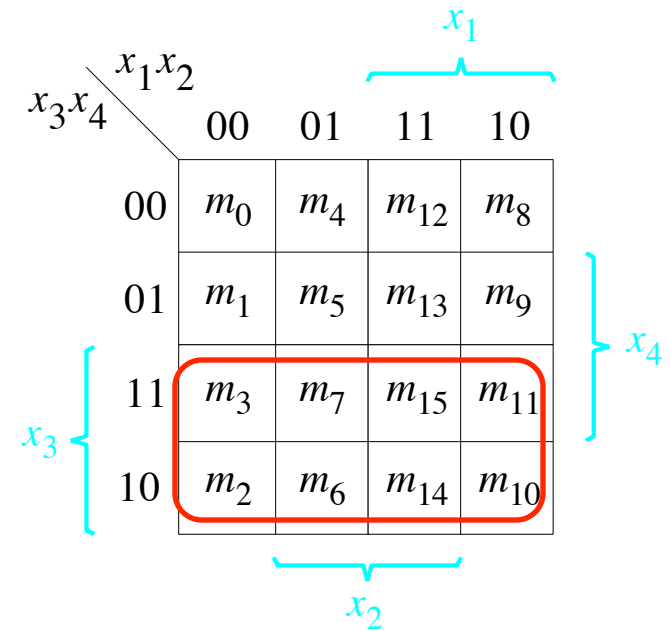
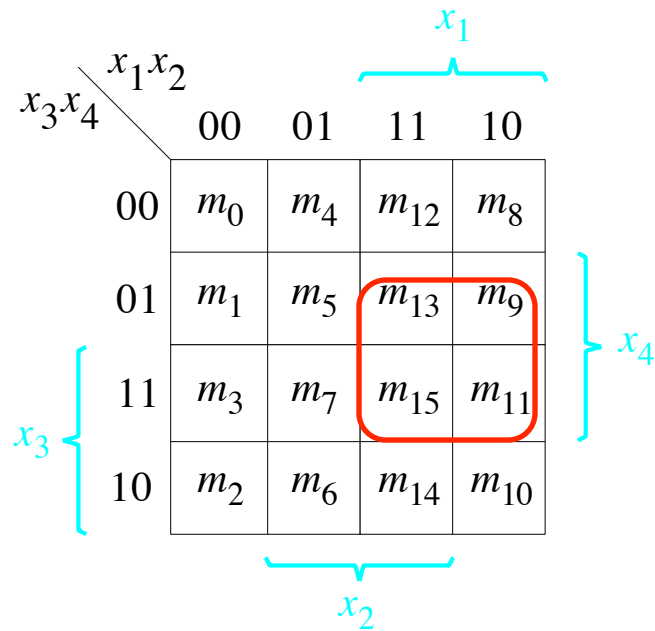
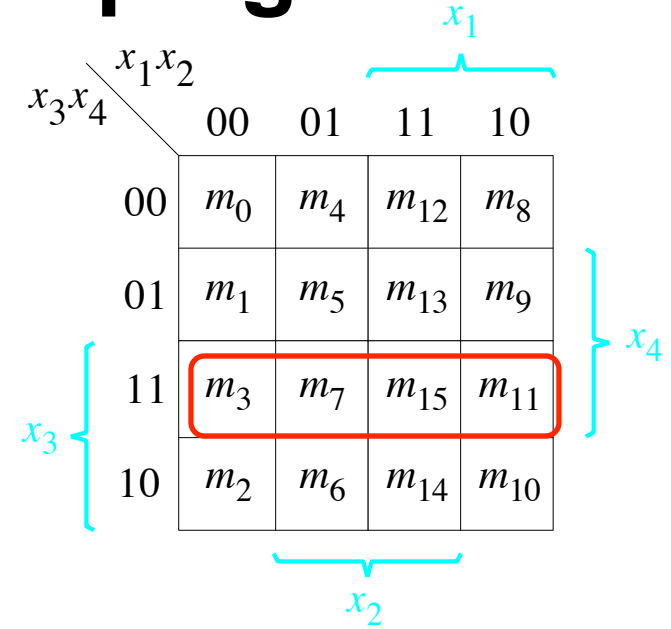
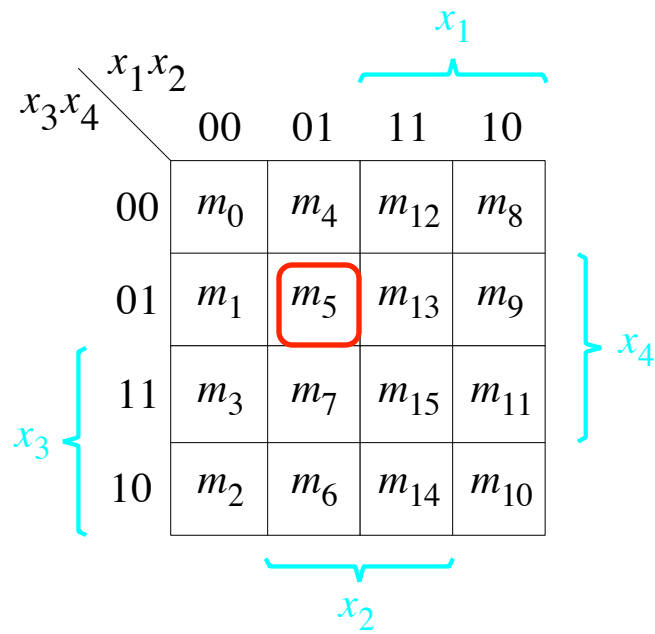
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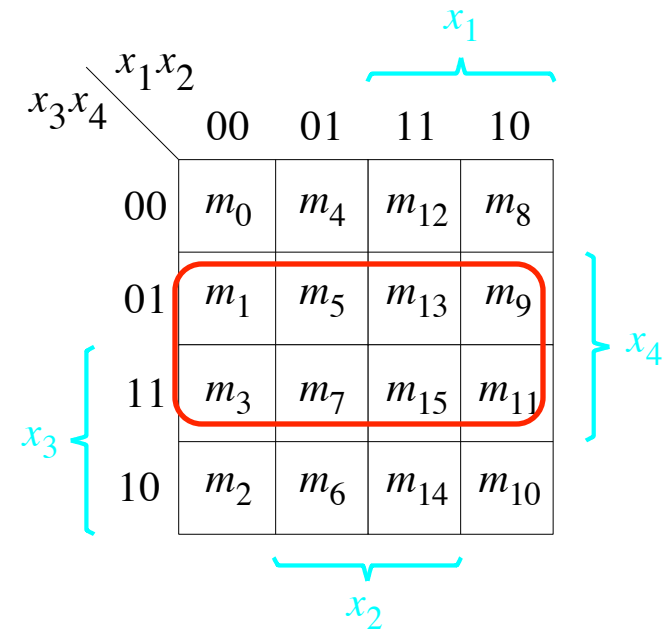
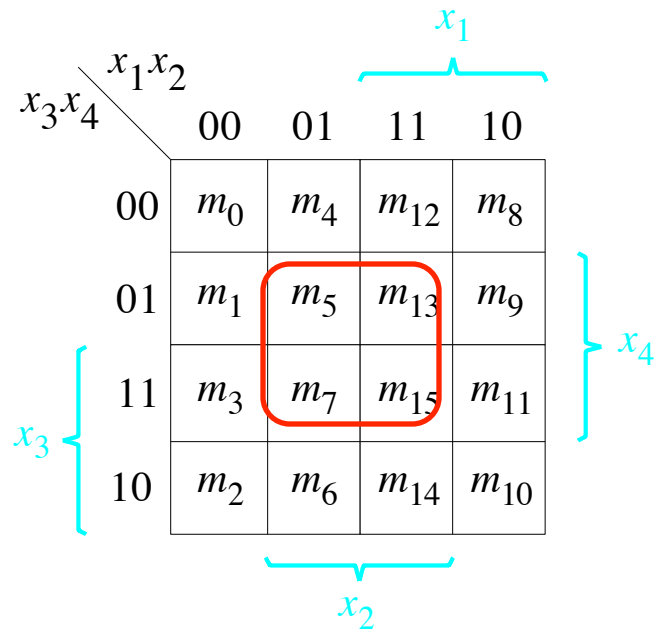
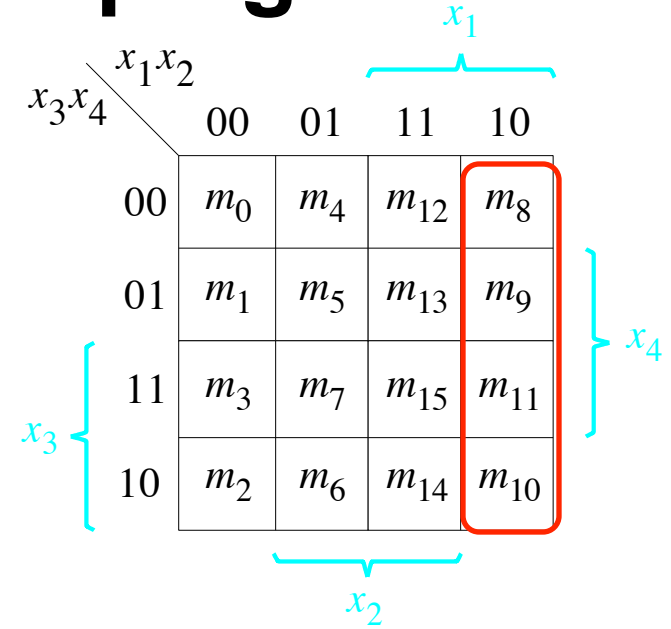
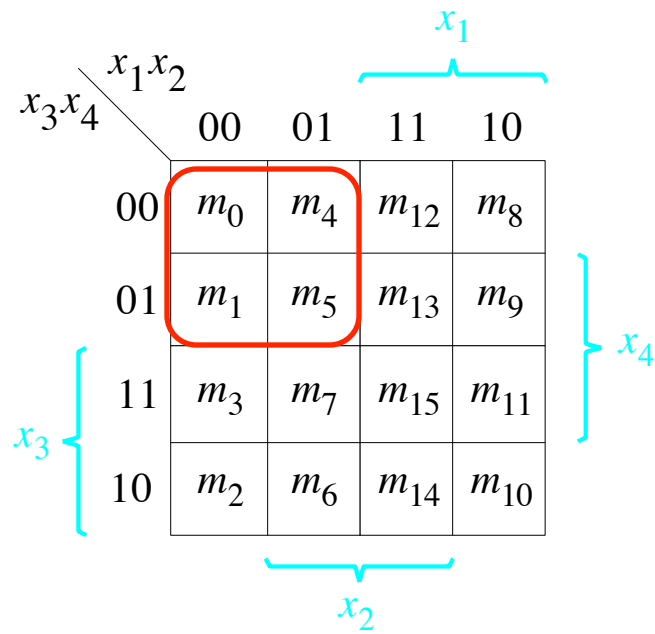
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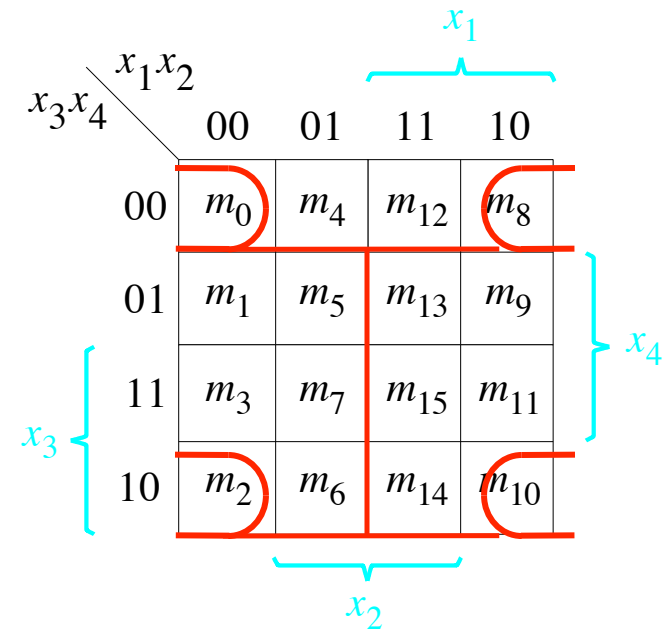
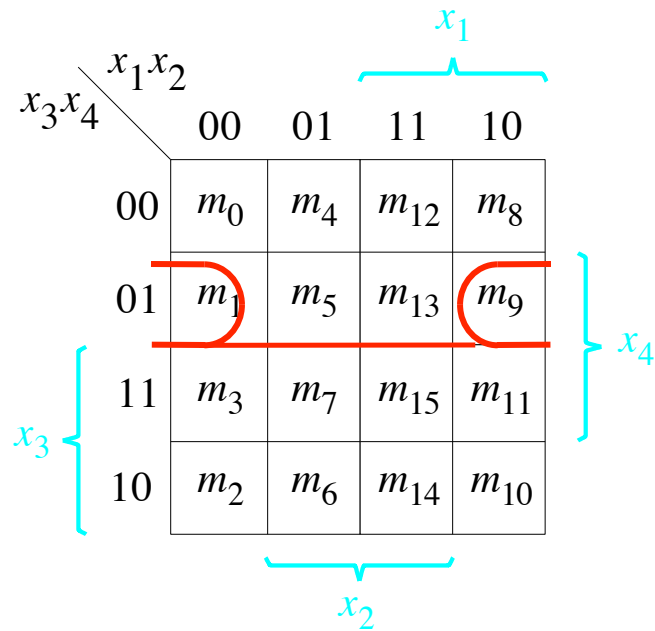
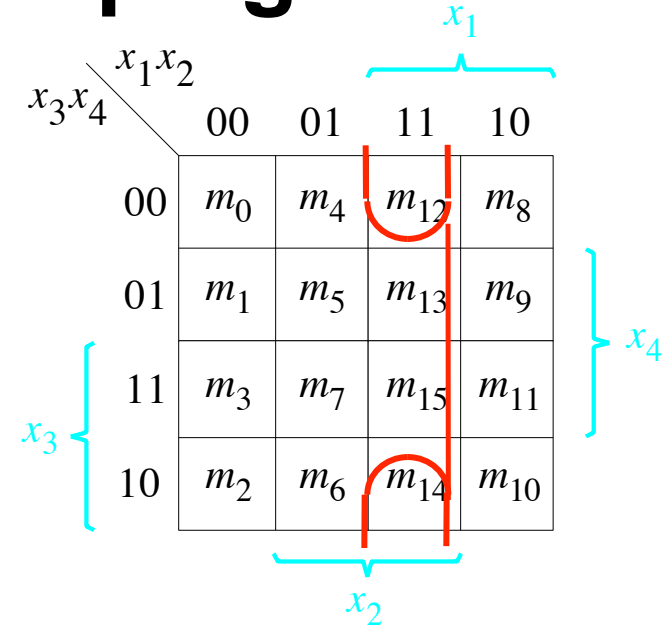
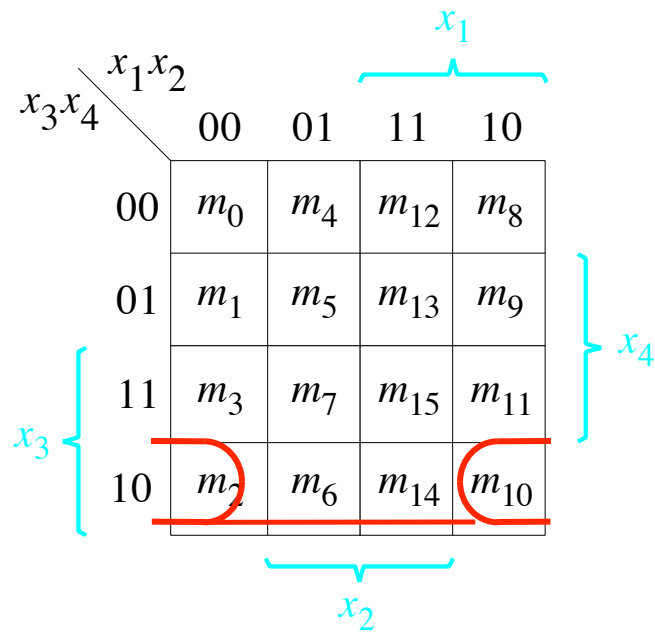
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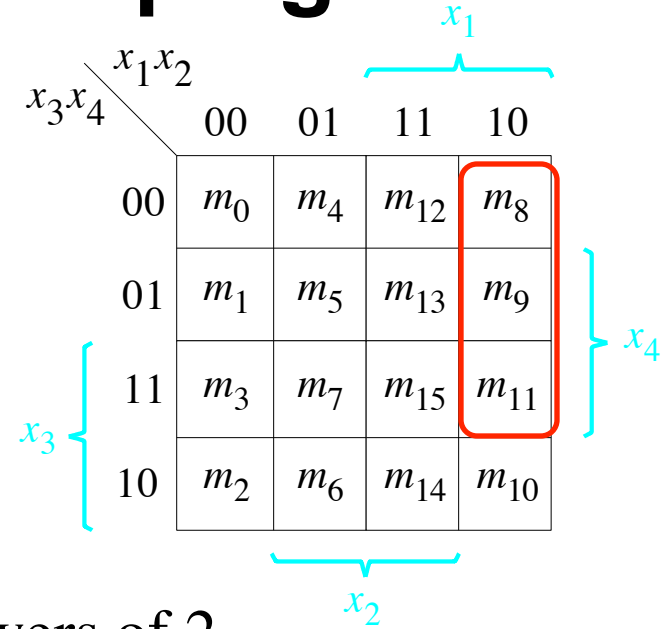
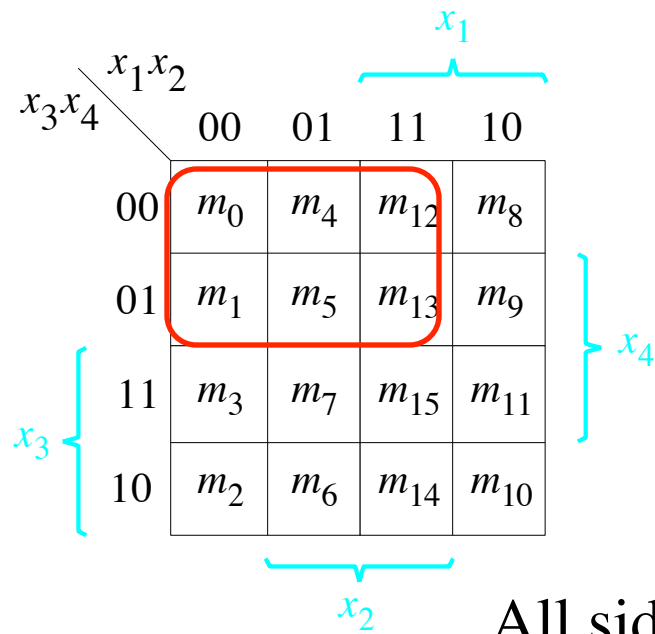
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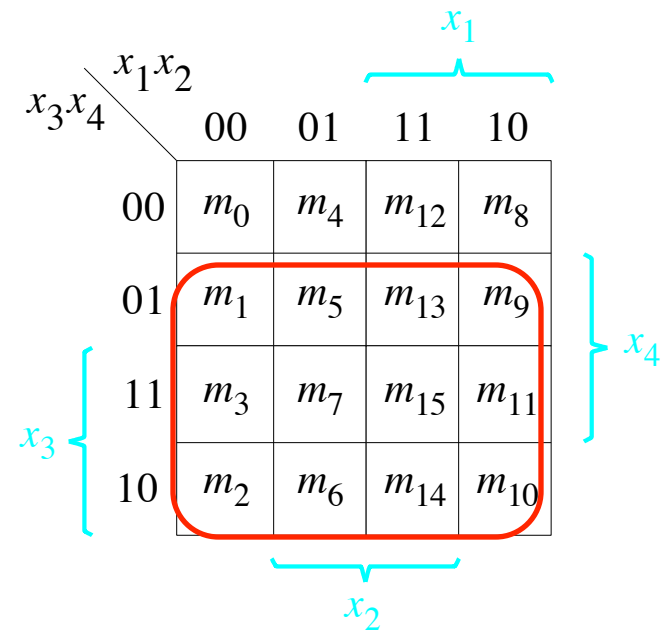
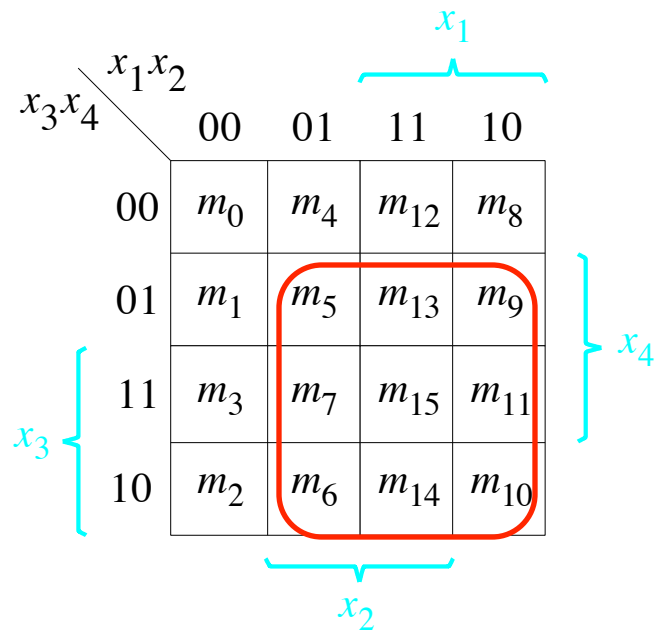
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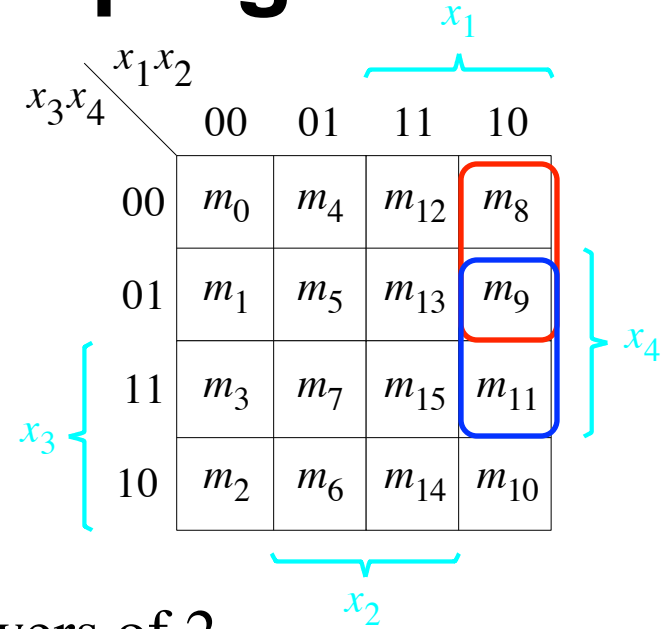
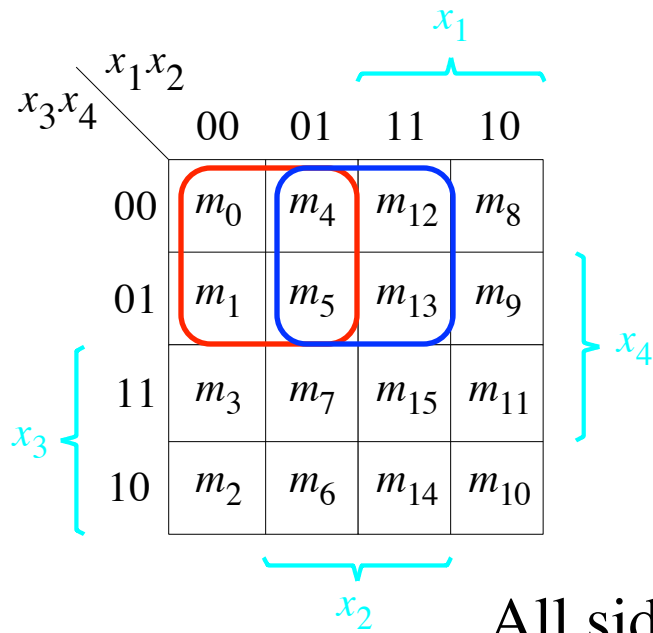
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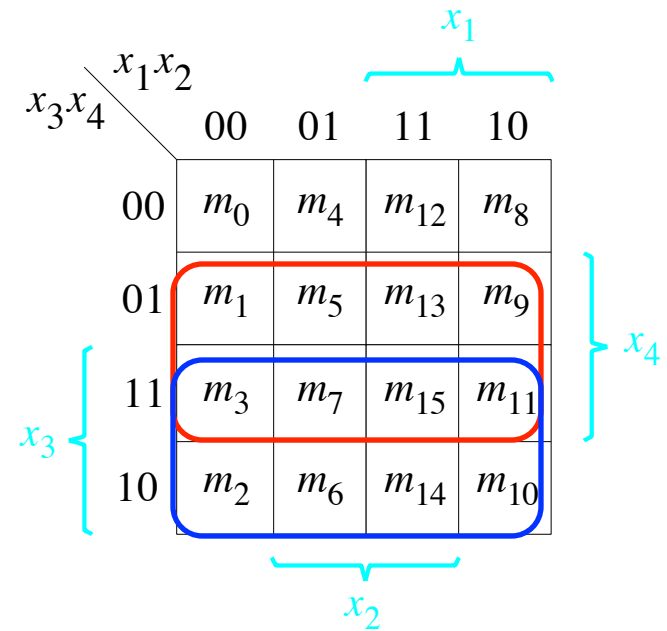
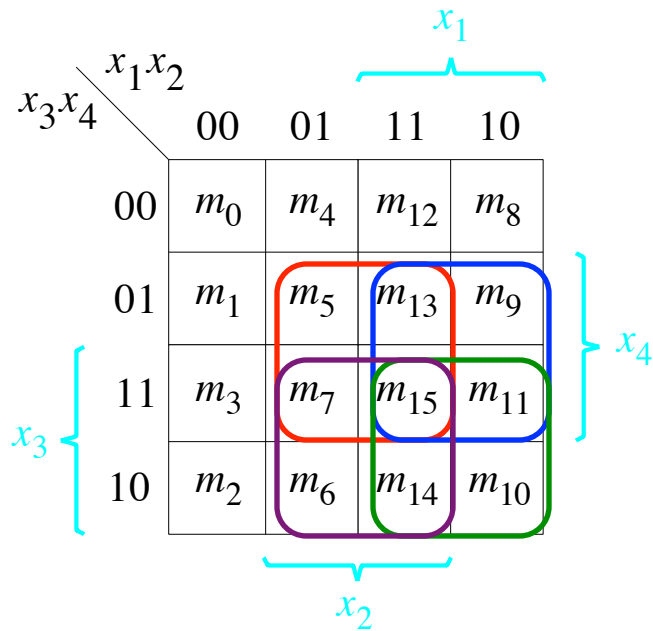
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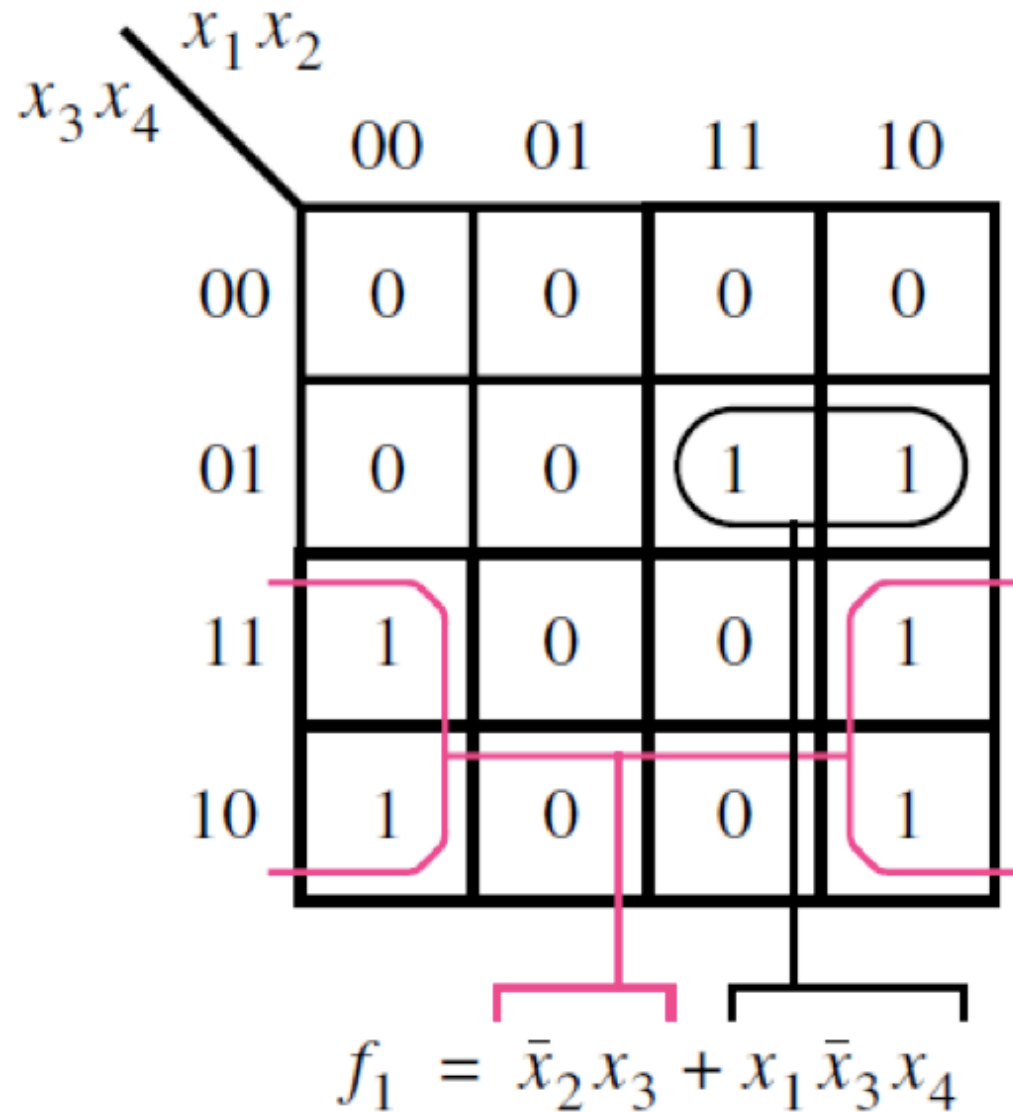
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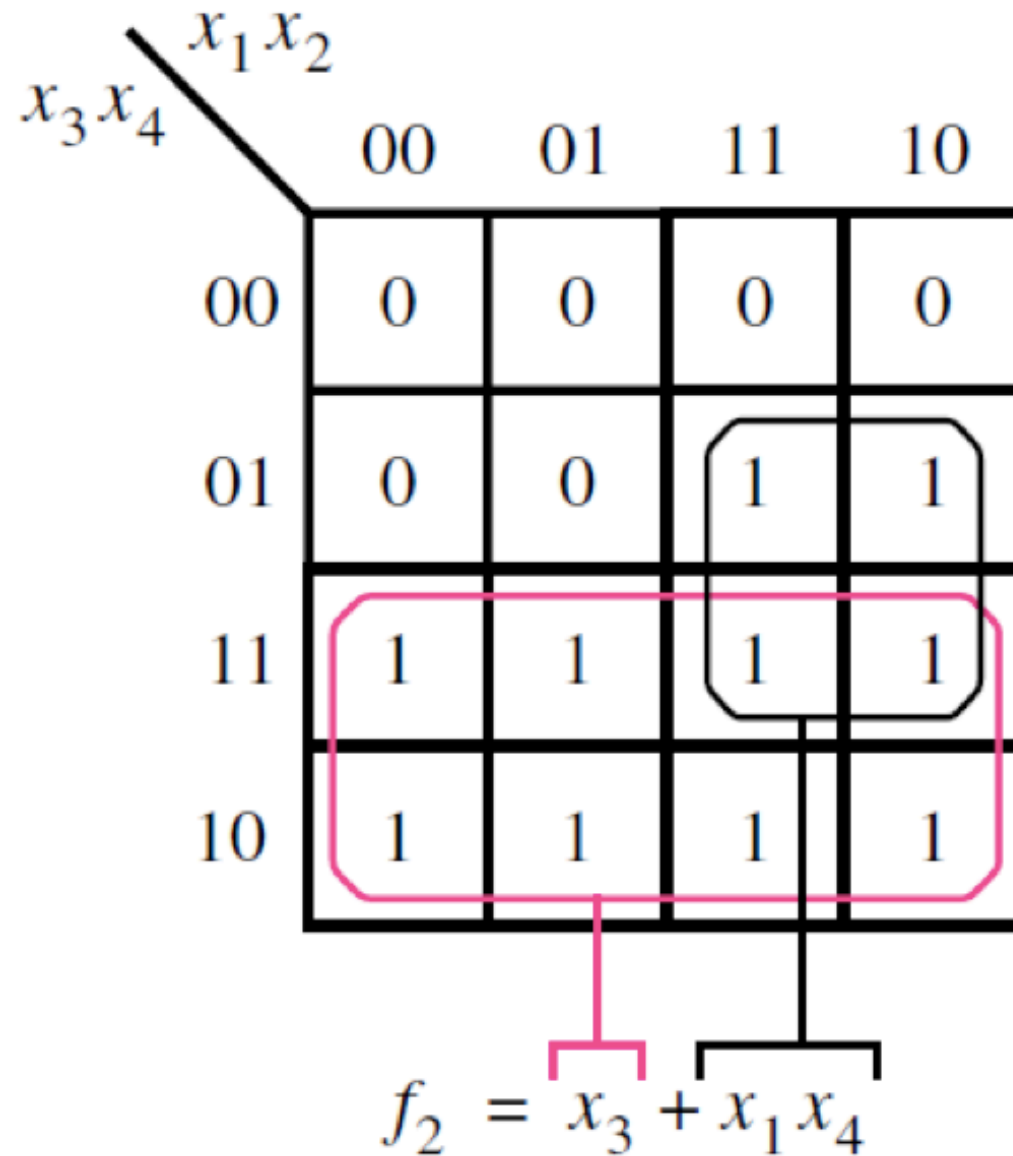
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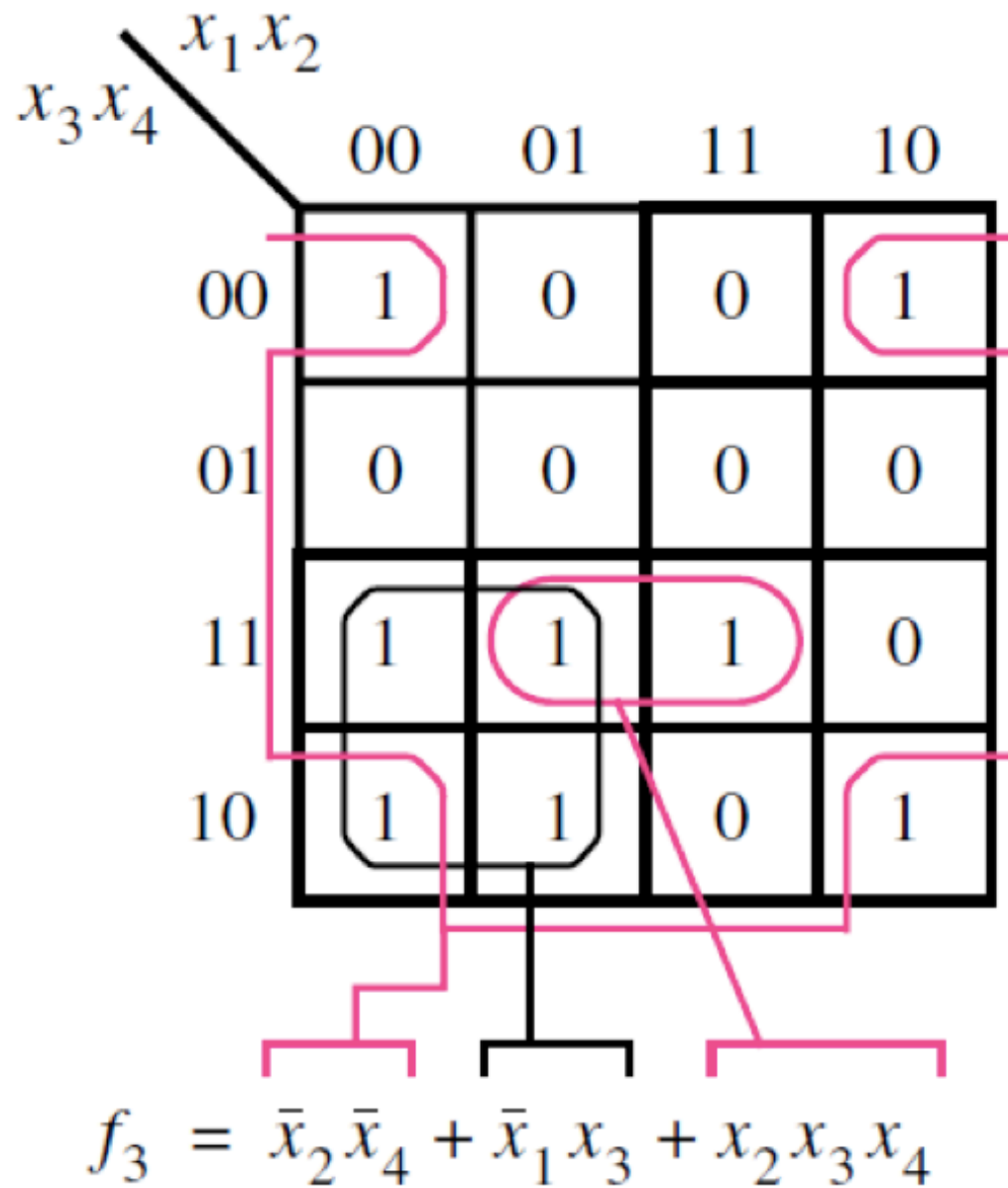


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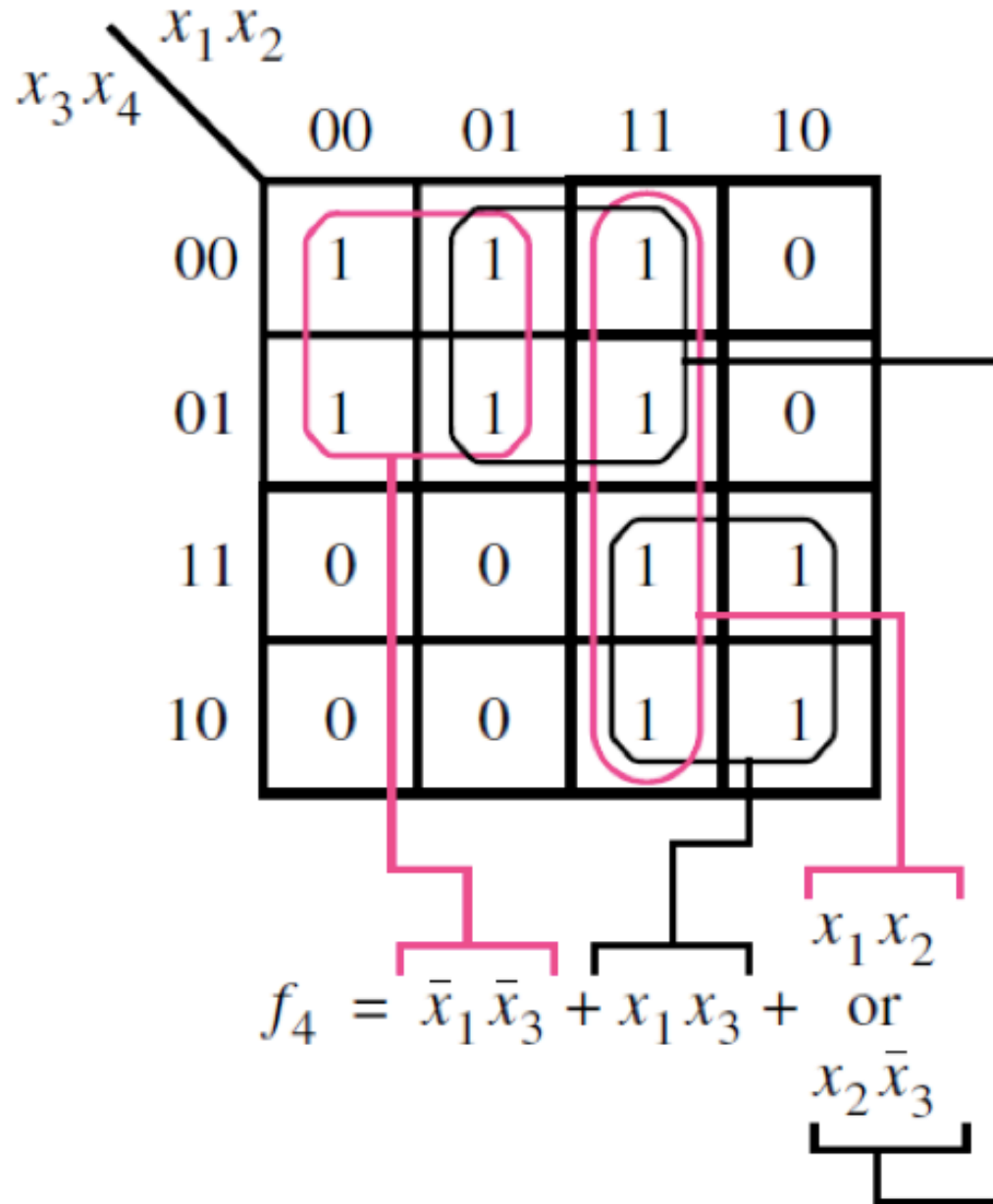
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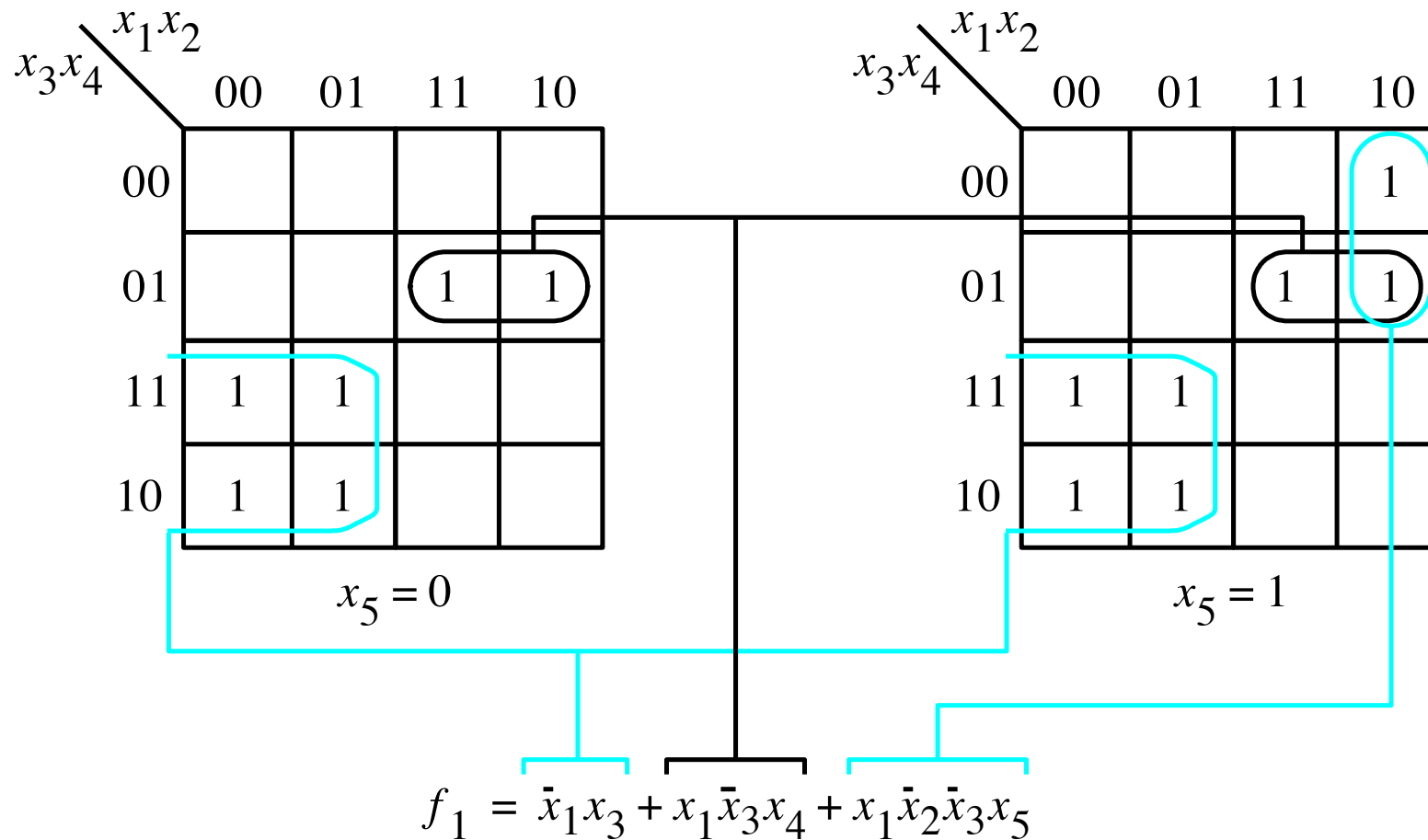
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Five-Variable K-Map

A five-variable Karnaugh map



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