

Minimizing Logic Circuits

GOAL: Find the minimal realization of the function

A	B	C	$f(A,B,C)$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1 } $AB\bar{C}$
1	1	1	1 } ABC

Minimizing Logic Circuits (cont'd)

Algebraic Solution:

Write a canonical sum-of-products expression

$$f(A, B, C) = AB\bar{C} + ABC$$

Apply distributivity

$$f(A, B, C) = AB(\bar{C} + C)$$

Apply $\bar{C} + C = 1$ and $AB1 = AB$

$$f(A, B, C) = AB$$

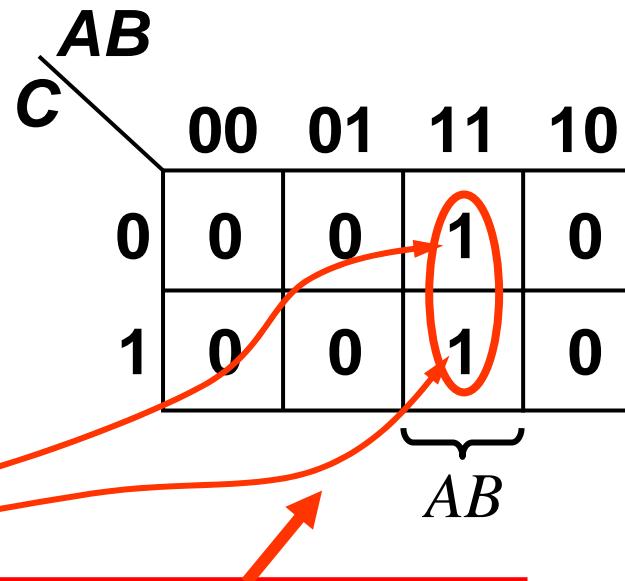
Needs one 2-input AND gate.

Minimizing Logic Circuits (cont'd)

GOAL: Find the AND-OR two-level minimal realization of the function (Find the minimum SOP.)

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

Reflected Gray Code



Karnaugh Map

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Karnaugh Map Solution:

Circle the two adjacent pair of 1's and write the corresponding expression

$$f(A, B, C) = AB$$

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Karnaugh Maps were developed by Maurice Karnaugh, a Bell Laboratories engineer in 1953 and presented as

Maurice Karnaugh, “The map method for synthesis of combinational logic circuits,” *Transactions of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers*, 72, 1, 593-599, November, 1953

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1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1 } $A\bar{B}C$
1	1	0	1 } $AB\bar{C}$
1	1	1	1 } ABC

Minimizing Logic Circuits (cont'd)

Algebraic Solution:

Write a canonical sum-of-products expression

$$f(A, B, C) = A\bar{B}C + ABC + AB\bar{C}$$

Apply $ABC = ABC + ABC$

$$f(A, B, C) = A\bar{B}C + ABC + ABC + AB\bar{C}$$

Apply distributivity

$$f(A, B, C) = (B + \bar{B})AC + AB(C + \bar{C})$$

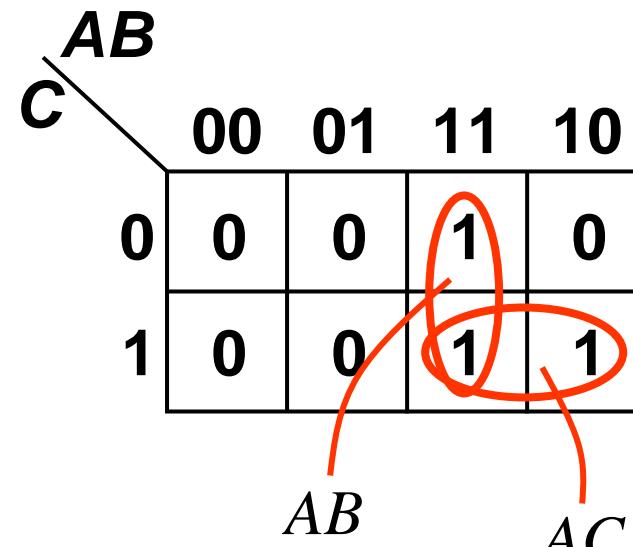
Apply $B + \bar{B} = 1$ **and** $A1C = AC$

$$f(A, B, C) = AC + AB$$

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0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1



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Karnaugh Map Solution:

Circle the two adjacent pairs of 1's and write the corresponding expression

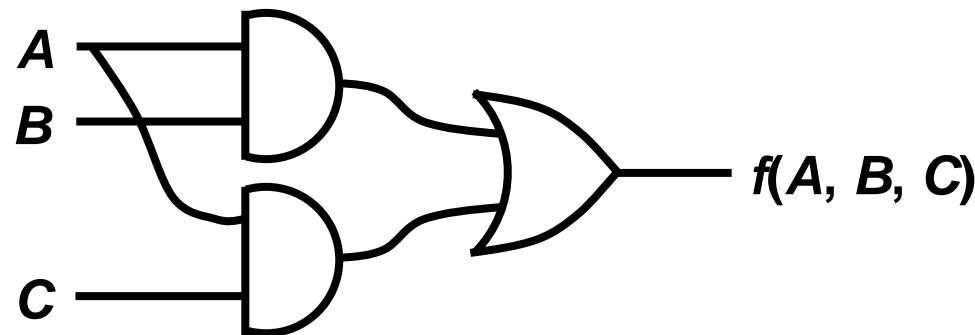
$$f(A, B, C) = AB + AC$$

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Minimal AND-OR two-level circuits are not necessarily minimal. Consider

$$f(A, B, C) = AB + AC$$

which can be realized as

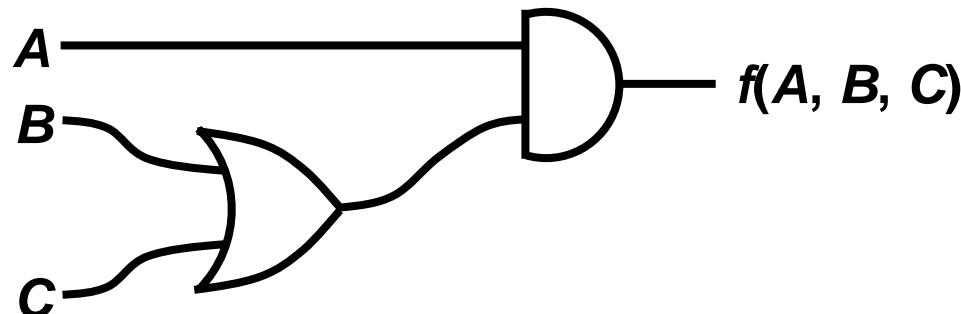


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However, we can write

$$f(A, B, C) = AB + AC = A(B + C)$$

which can be realized as



This is NOT an AND-OR two-level circuit. Rather, it is an OR-AND two-level circuit.

Other Combinations

From previous slides, a pair of 1's yields a single product term. However, other combinations are possible.

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

$AB + A\bar{B}$

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

A

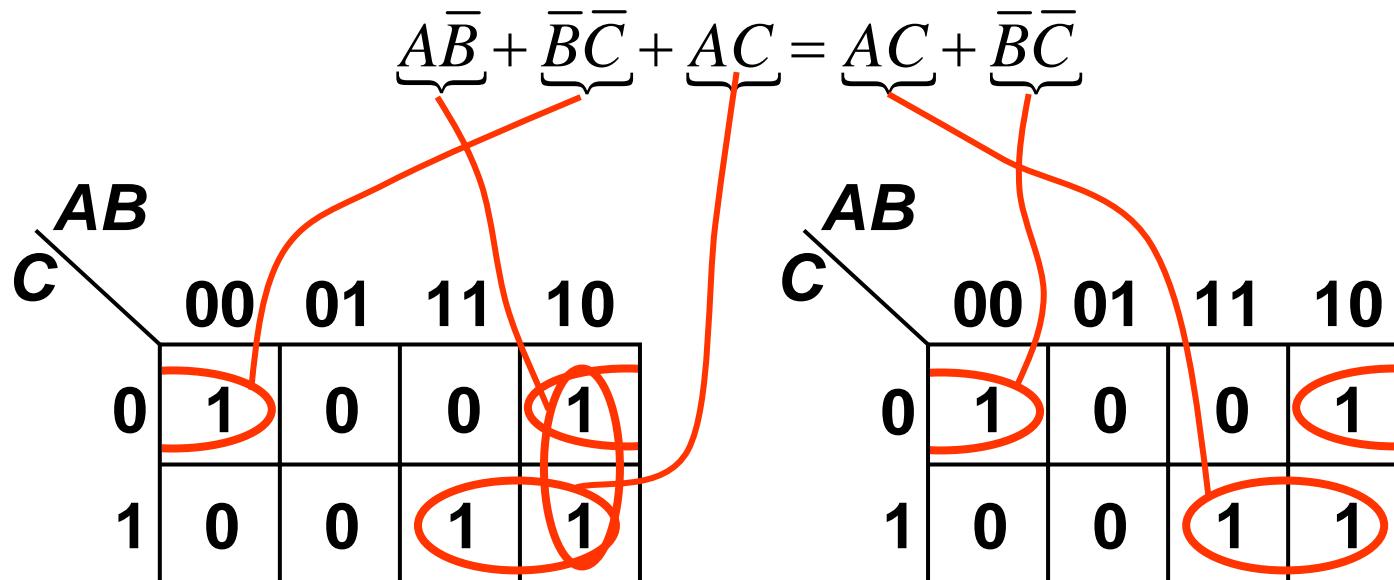
		AB	C		
		00	01	11	10
0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	1	1	1	1

$\bar{A}C + AC$

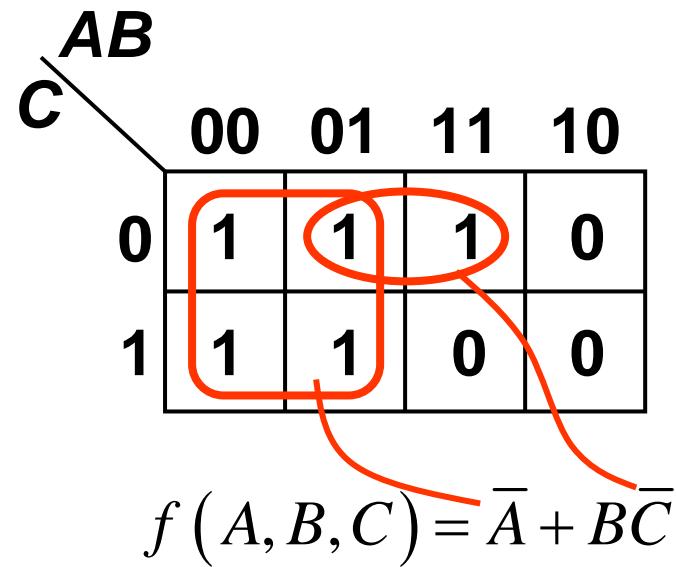
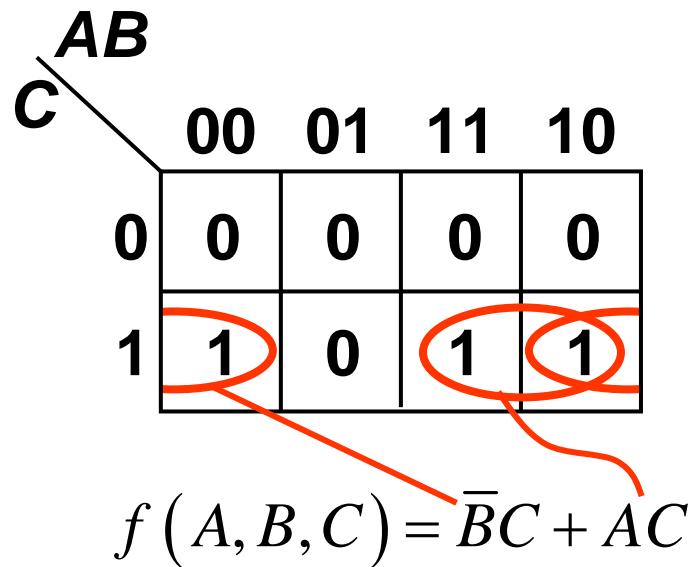
		AB	C		
		00	01	11	10
0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	1	1	1	1

A “Look-See” Proof of Consensus

Use the Karnaugh Map to prove a result stated previously. This is called “consensus”.



Other Examples



Other Examples (cont'd)

	A	B	C	
A	00	01	11	10
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1

$$f(A, B, C) = \bar{B}\bar{C} + \bar{A}B + AC$$

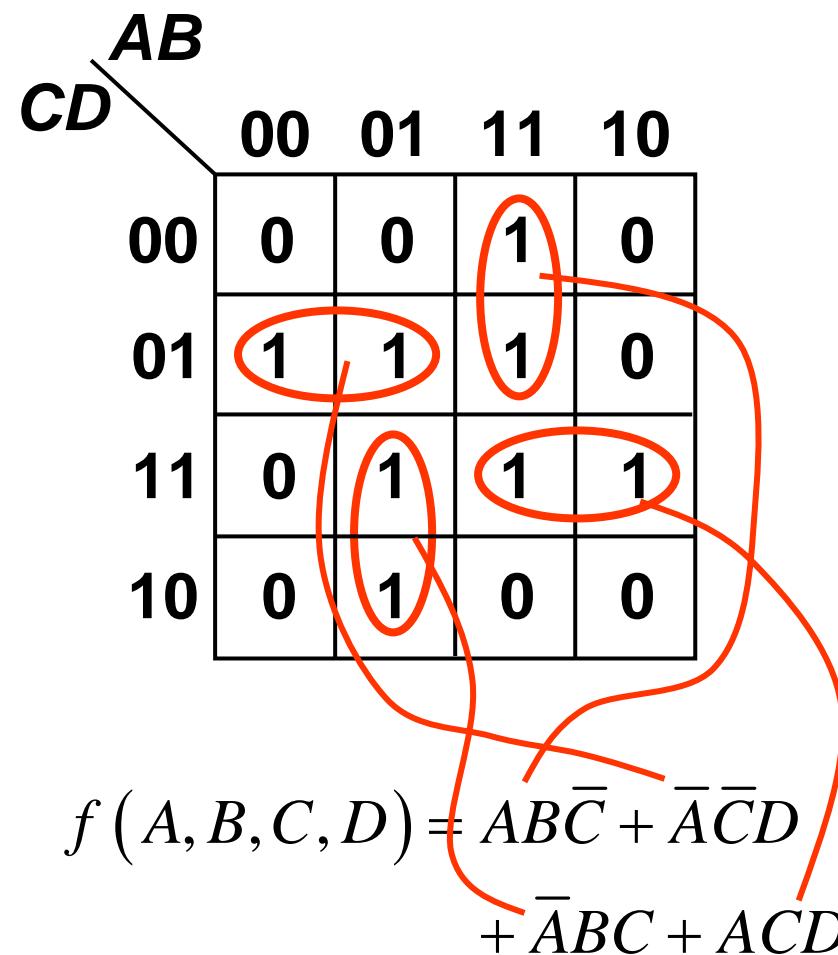
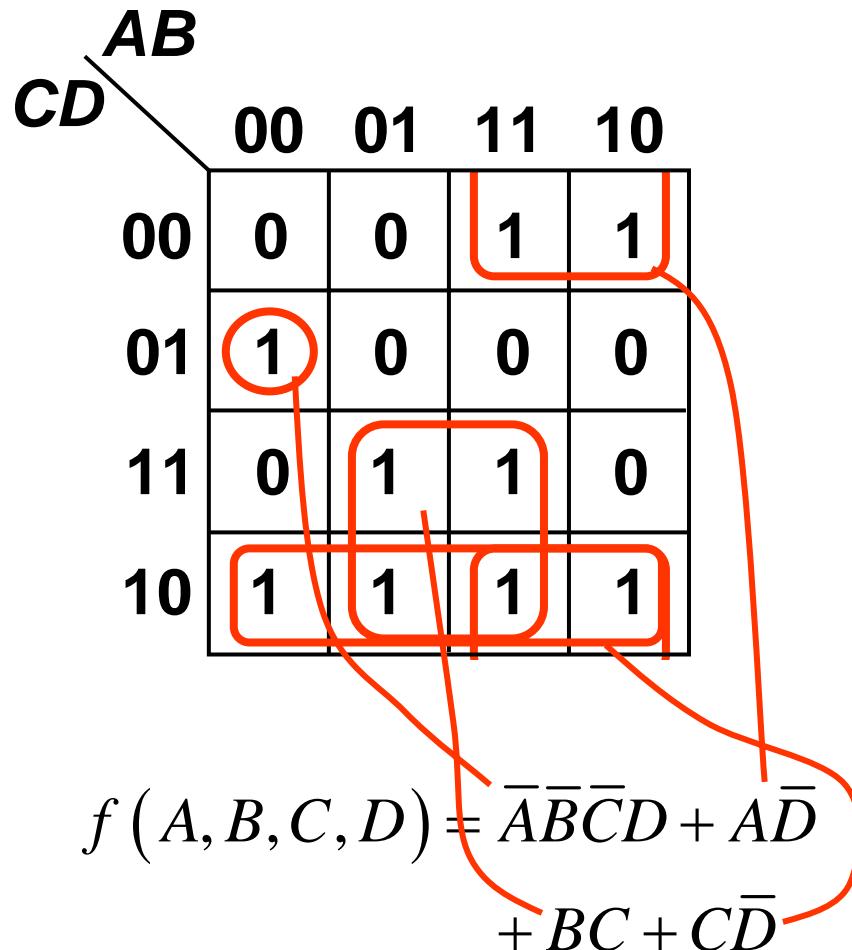
	A	B	C	
A	00	01	11	10
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1

$$f(A, B, C) = \bar{A}\bar{C} + BC + A\bar{B}$$

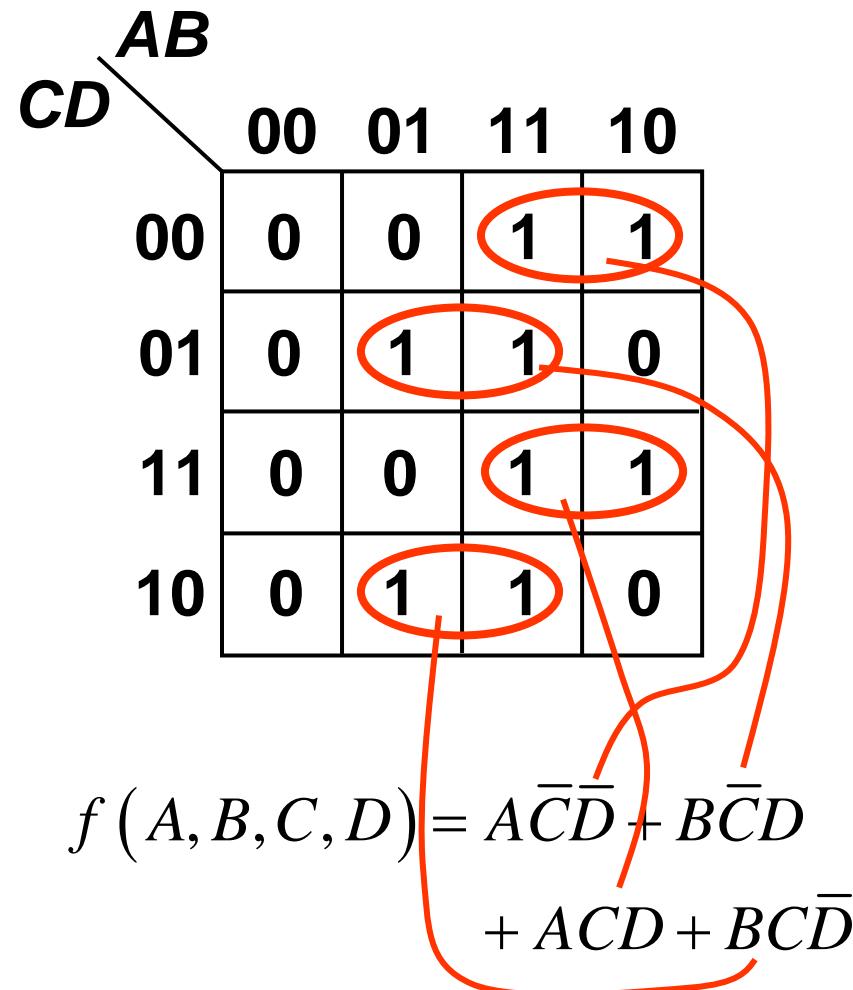
Procedure for Karnaugh Map Circling

- 1. Start by covering single 1 cells that cannot combine with any other 1 cell. Circle 1 cells that can combine in only one way with one other 1 cell. Continue: circle 1's that combine uniquely in a group of 4, 8, 16, etc.**
- 2. A minimal expression is obtained as a collection of 1's that are as large as possible and as few as possible, so that every 1 cell is covered.**

Four-Variable Karnaugh Map



Four-Variable Karnaugh Map (cont'd)



Forbidden Circlings

	AB CD	00	01	11	10
00	0	1	1	1	
01	0	0	0	0	
11	1	0	0	0	
10	0	1	0	0	

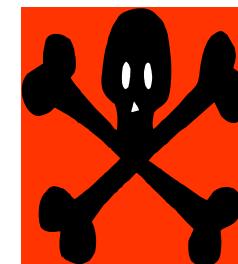
$$\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}\bar{D} + \bar{A}B\bar{C}\bar{D}$$

Not combinable

$$\underbrace{\bar{A}B\bar{C}\bar{D}}_{B\bar{C}\bar{D}} + \underbrace{A\bar{B}\bar{C}\bar{D}}_{A\bar{C}\bar{D}}$$

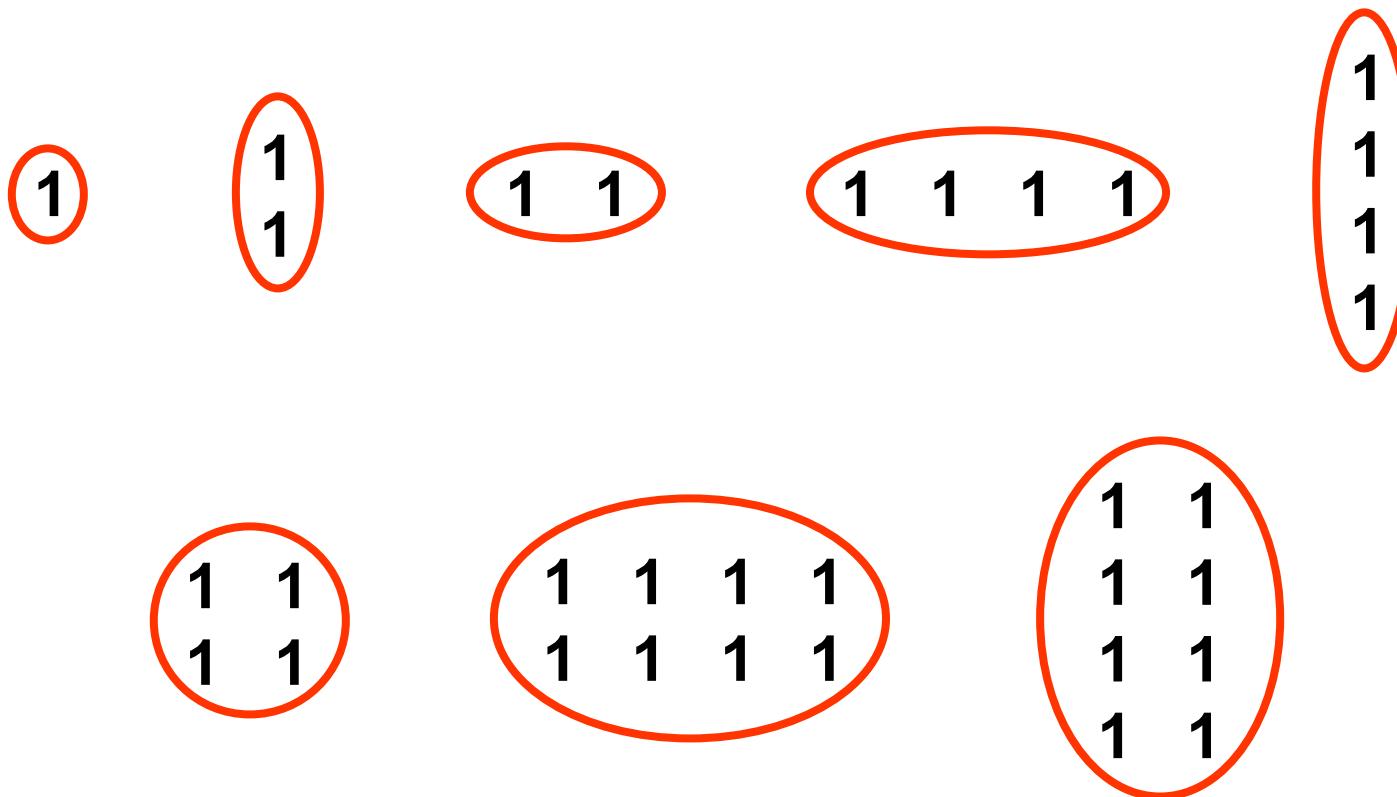
$$B\bar{C}\bar{D} + A\bar{C}\bar{D}$$

Not combinable

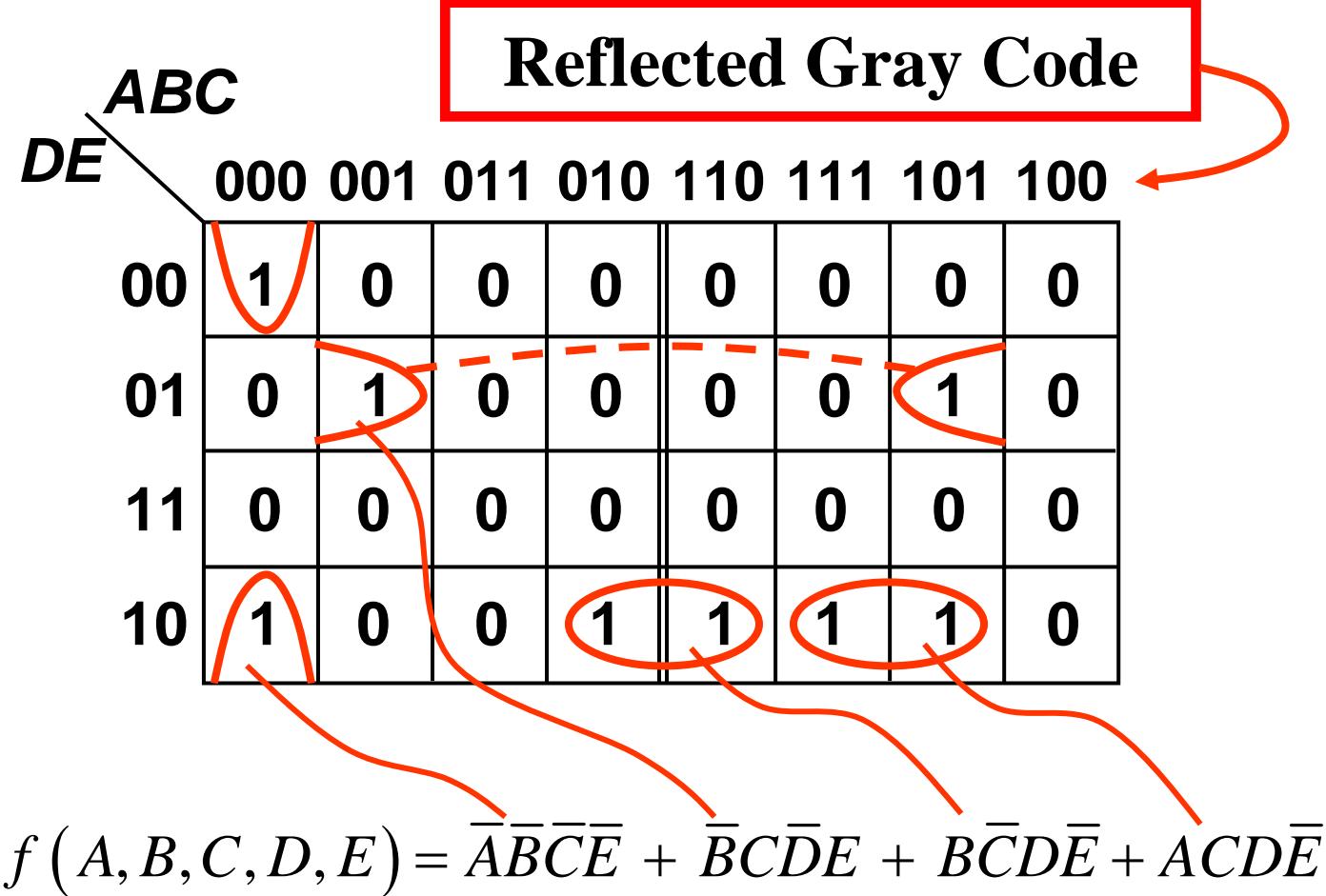


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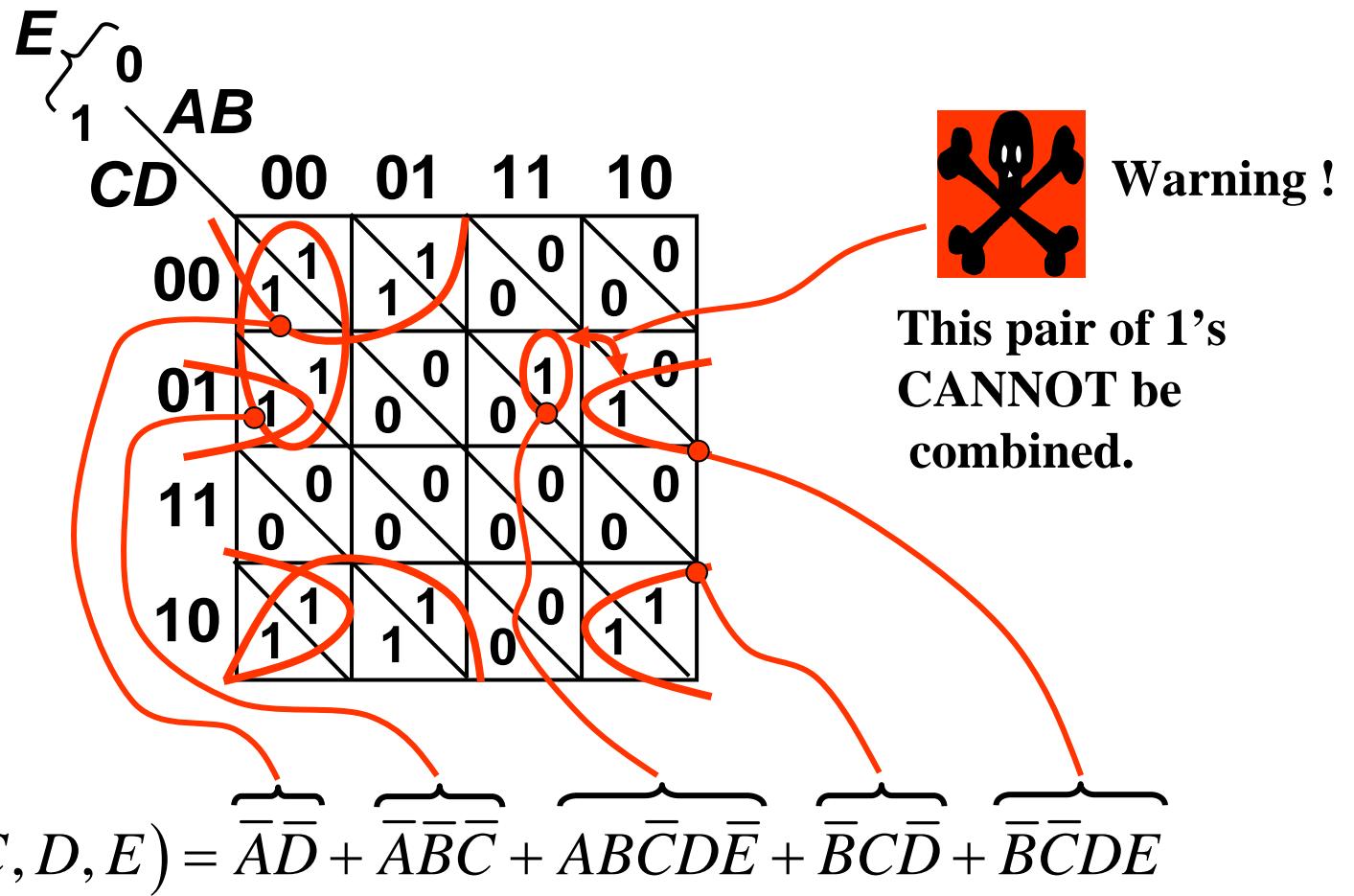
Acceptable Circlings



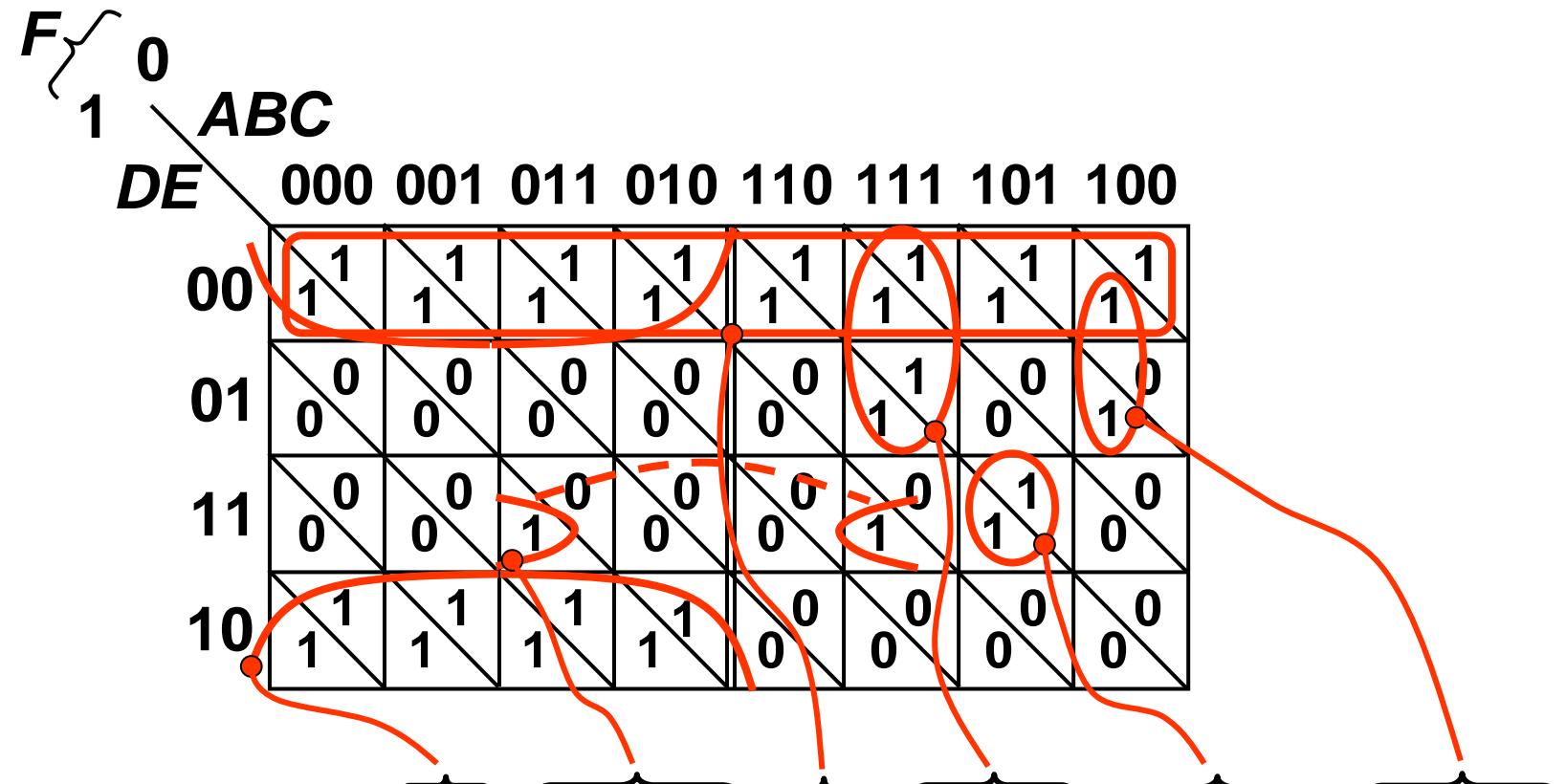
Five-Variable Karnaugh Map



Five-Variable Karnaugh Map



Six-Variable Karnaugh Map



$$f(A, B, C, D, E, F) = \overline{A}\overline{E} + BCDEF + \overline{D}\overline{E} + ABC\overline{D} + A\overline{B}CDE + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D}F$$