ASM Chart: Multiplier Control

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Sequential Logic Circuits



Inputs

Primary Inputs State variables

Outputs

Output variables Next state variables.

Synchronous Sequential Circuits

Clock is used to ensure occurrence of event (change of state) at a specified instant of time.

Asynchronous Sequential Circuits

Main Models of Sequential Circuits or Machines are: Mealy and Moore Model

Mealy Machines: Their outputs depend on both the present state and the present inputs.



Moore Machines: The outputs depend on the present state only.



Mealy Model

AB/S



Moore Model

AB



PS	NS			PS	NS			Output		
	AB					AB				S
	00	01	11	10		00	01	11	10	
X	x/0	z/0	x/0	y/0	X	X	Ζ	X	у	0
У	x/0	y/0	x/1	y/0	У	X	У	X	У	1
Ζ	x/1	z/0	x/0	z/0	Ζ	Χ	Ζ	X	Ζ	0
M	Mealy State Table				Moore State Table					able

Mealy Model Timing Diagram



Moore Model Timing Diagram



Main Features:

- Moore machine realization is more complex than Mealy due to additional state requirements to derive the required outputs.
- Outputs of a Moore machine are generally robust and independent of external (primary) inputs.
- Mealy model is useful for applications where faster respond is needed.
- In the case of Mealy machines, all unspecified states must end up in a specified state after the next or consecutive clock cycle.
 Otherwise, oscillation/hang-up may occur for certain input combinations.

Finite State Machine Example

Problem Statement:

- The occurrence of sequence of pairs of inputs $00 \rightarrow 00 \rightarrow 11 \rightarrow 10$ is to be detected.
- The machine will output logic 1 after detecting the sequence successfully.

The Mealy Model:

• State transitions are labeled with inputs and the output values.



State Assignment

The occurrence of sequence of pairs of inputs $00 \rightarrow 00 \rightarrow 11 \rightarrow 10$ is to be detected.

Mealy Machine Design Approach

State-Transition Table

Present	Inputs X1, X2								
state	Next state		Output z			Z			
	00	01	11	10	00	01	11	10	
1	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	
2	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	
3	3	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	
4	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	

State Assignment: Assign binary codes to the states. 1 = 00, 2 = 01, 3 = 11 and 4 = 10

Present		Inputs x ₁ x ₂								
State	Nex	Next State, w ₁ w ₂				Output z				
y 1 y 2	00	01	11	10	00	01	11	10		
00	01	00	00	00	0	0	0	0		
01	11	00	00	00	0	0	0	0		
11	11	00	10	00	0	0	0	0		
10	01	00	00	00	0	0	0	1		

State Assignment

- Any state assignment is satisfactory as long as each state is assigned a unique binary code.
- However, one particular assignment may be optimal that requires least number of gates.

Guidelines for State Assignment

- States having the same NEXT STATES for a given input condition should be given adjacent assignments.
- States, which are NEXT STATES of a singlestate, should be given adjacent assignments.
- States, which have identical output specification, should be given adjacent assignments.

Overall

Minimize the number of Sate Variable changes as you move through the state diagram.

Mealy Machine Design





BY INSPECTION OUTPUT $z = x_1 x_2 y_1 y_2$

Mealy Machine Design

Sequential Circuit



Clock

Timing Diagram



Moore Machine Implementation

The Moore Model:

- Suitable for asynchronous sequential systems.
- Transitions are labeled with the inputs only.

State Diagram



Moore Machine Example

State-transition Table

Present State		Next	Output		
	xy		Z		
	00	01	11	10	
1	2	1	1	1	0
2	3	1	1	1	0
3	3	1	4	1	0
4	2	1	1	5	0
5	2	1	1	1	1

State Assignment

Present State	Next	state	Output		
ABC	XY				Z
	00	01	11	10	
000	001	000	000	000	0
001	011	000	000	000	0
011	011	000	010	000	0
010	001	000	000	110	0
110	001	000	000	000	1

Using D-type FFs

Moore Machine Design







Moore Machine Design

Sequential Circuit





Algorithmic State Machine (ASM)

- Flow Charts are mostly used for software design. They are also useful for digital system design.
- The ASM or State Machine charts offer several advantages over state diagrams.

Main Features of ASM Charts

- Operation of a digital system represented by an ASM chart is easier to understand.
- An ASM chart can be converted into several equivalent forms and each form leads directly to a hardware realization.
- The conditions for a proper state diagram are completely satisfied by the ASM chart.
- ASM chart based digital system design is equivalent to software design.

A Typical ASM Chart



The state diagram/table based design approach becomes impractical for systems with large number of inputs.

- The number of columns for the state table doubles with every additional input.
- All the inputs are not relevant at each clock pulse/transition (don't care conditions). On the other hand, ASM approach only shows the active inputs on the chart.
- State diagrams are not suitable for gradual refinement of FSM.

Typical State T	l'able
Present State	Novt state

Present State	Next	state	Output		
ABC	XY				\boldsymbol{z}
	00	01	11	10	
000	001	000	000	000	0
001	011	000	000	000	0
011	011	000	010	000	0
010	001	000	000	110	0
110	001	000	000	000	1

Basic Elements of an ASM chart are:

State Box

- It represents one state of the ASM.
- The sequential machine resides in a state box for one state time (one clock cycle).
- It consists of a *state name, state assignment code* and *state output* (Moore).
- State box has a single exit/entry point unlike to a state node in state diagram.



Decision Box

- The *decision box* takes machine inputs.
- It contains Boolean variables to be tested and gives conditions that *control* or *qualify* conditional state transition and outputs.
- Single entry path and two exit paths define the condition for true or false exit.



Conditional Output Box

- It describes those outputs that only become active on true conditions.
- It is always connected to the exit-path of a decision box.



ASM charts are equivalent to state diagrams:

- Sate Box ⇔ State diagram node
- Decision Box ⇔ Input values on the state transition lines.
- Outputs in the State Box ⇔ Output values in the state nodes. (Moore Machine)
- Outputs in Conditional Output Box ⇔ Output values on the state transition lines. (Mealy Machine)

ASM Block

ASM charts are constructed from ASM Blocks An ASM block consists of:

- Exactly one state box.
- Decision and conditional output boxes associated with the state.
- One entry path and one or more exit paths.

A pure combinational circuit can be described by one ASM block.

An ASM block describes the machine operation during the time that the machine is in that state.

ASM Block

When a digital system enters the state associated with an ASM block:

- Outputs on the output list of the state box become true.
- The conditions in the decision boxes are evaluated to determine which path(s) are to be followed.
- When a conditional output box is encountered along such a path, the corresponding conditional outputs become true.
- If an output is not encountered along a path that output is assigned a FALSE (by default).
- Each exit path of an ASM block must lead to another state.
- Each possible path through an ASM block from entrance to exit is termed as link path.



ASM Block

An ASM Block can be drawn in several ways.



ASM Block

Rules to Construct an ASM Block

- For every valid combination of input variables, there must be one exit path.
- No internal feedback within an ASM block is allowed.



• An ASM block can have several parallel paths that lead to the same exit path and more than one of these paths can be active at the same time.



- An ASM chart consists of one or more ASM blocks connected in a consistent manner.
- In the case of autonomous sequential circuits ASM chart will consist of state boxes connected by direct transition link paths.
- The ASM chart of a JK Flip-Flop



From State Diagram to ASM Chart

- X is an input
- Za, Zb & Zc are Moore Outputs
- Z1 & Z2 are Mealy Outputs



Realization of ASM Chart

Main Steps

• For each state variable (e.g. Qa, Qb, etc.), identify all states in which Q = 1

For each of these states, find all the linkpaths that lead into the state.

- For each of these link paths, find a product-term that is logic-1 when the link-path is followed.
- e.g. For a link path from state Si to Sj, the product term will be 1 if the machine is in state Si and the conditions for Sj entry are satisfied.
- The expression for Q⁺ is formed by ORing all the product-terms found for a particular state variable as above.

Realization from ASM Chart Example



Realization from ASM Chart

Working Example

For Next State: Consider Variable B Link-paths for States that has B = 1 are S1 and S2 states. *Link-Path-1*

• Starting with a present state AB = 00, takes the X=1 branch and terminates at state S1 during which B = 1.

Link-Path-2

• Starting state 01, takes X=1 branch & ends at state 11.

Link-Path-3

• Starting at state 11, takes X=1 branch and ends in state 11.

Overall $\mathbf{B}^+ = \mathbf{A'B'X} + \mathbf{A'BX} + \mathbf{ABX}$

For Next State: Consider State Variable A.

• Two link paths terminate at S2 state

Moore Outputs

Za = A'B'; Zb = A'B; Zc = ABConditional Output

Binary Multipliers

Hand Multiplication:

11	1 1 0 1	Multiplicand
* <u>13</u>	<u>1011</u>	Multiplier
	1 1 0 1	
	1 1 0 1	
	0000	
	1 1 0 1	
143	10001111	-

Modified (serial) Multiplication

$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Initial contents of product register M bit=1, add multiplicand
011011011	Partial product before shift
001101101	Partial product after shift
1101	Multiplier bit=1, add multiplicand
$1\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 1$	Partial product before shift
010011110	Partial product after shift
	Multiplier bit=0 skip addition
00100111	Partial product after shift
1101	Multiplier bit=1, add multiplicand
100011111	Partial product before shift
010001111	After shift (Final answer)

Final Result = 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 1

Multiplier

Block Diagram



Binary Multipliers

The multiplication of two binary numbers is performed by successive additions and shifting. $B \leftarrow Multiplicand; Q \leftarrow Multiplier$

Partial product is formed in A and stored in A & Q.

Multiplier Circuit Operation

- Q is an n-bit shift register where multiplier is loaded that is shifted right. It vacates 1-bit space every time. This space accepts the lower part of the partial product.
- An n-bit parallel adder produces Sums as
 A ← A + B
- C flip-flop stores the carry from addition. It is reset to zero during the right shift.
- Counter P counts the number of add-shift or shift actions. It is initially set at (n-1) & it counts down.
- When P counts 0, the final product is in the double register A and Q.

Control Unit is the heart of Multiplier:

- Its input, G initiate multiplication.
- Control unit generate control signals to perform addshift or shift operations.
- It uses Q₀ (LSB of Q shift register) and counter zerodetect, Z signals.

Multiplier Control, ASM



sr = shift right and C || A || Q \leftarrow sr C || A || Q is equivalent to 4 transfers A(n-1) \leftarrow C, A \leftarrow sr A, Q(n-1) \leftarrow A(0), Q \leftarrow sr Q

Multiplier Control Unit

Control Unit is the Heart of Multiplier

- Its input, G initiates multiplication.
- It uses Q₀ (LSB of Q shift register) and counter zero-detect, Z signals.
- Control unit generates control signals to activate following micro-operations:
 - Sum of A and B.
 - PP transferred to A.
 - Cout transferred to C.
 - PP & multiplier in A:Q shifted right.
 - Carry from C is shifted to MSB of A:
 - LSB of Q is discarded.
 - After right shift, 1-bit of PP is transferred into Q and multiplier bits are shifted one bit right.
 - Control unit decides between add-shift and shift depending on the LSB of Q.
 - Control unit checks Z for an end.
 - Control unit checks G, to start multiplication.

Multiplier Control

ASM Chart Analysis Multiplicand in register B Multiplier in Q

State Changes from IDLE to MUL0

MUL0 State

MUL1 State

- Decrement Counter P
- Four transfers take place

$$A(n-1) \leftarrow C;$$

$$A \leftarrow \text{sr } A;$$

$$Q(n-1) \leftarrow A(0);$$

$$Q \leftarrow \text{sr } Q;$$

Control Unit Design

- Control unit design by using classical FSM design is impractical due to large number of inputs and states it may have.
- An attempt to minimize and simplify these circuits usually ends up in irregular networks that would be difficult to recognize and debug.
- An extension to the classical approach is used by experienced designer in designing control logic circuits:
 - Sequence register and decoder method.
 - One flip-flop per state method.
 (One-hot state assignment method)
 - Microprogramming.

The first two methods result in a hard-wired logic. Any modification will require rewiring.

- The micro-program control uses ROM/PROM.
- Modification of the PROM or replacing the ROM modifies the micro-program control.

Hardwired Control

Type of Registers Used for Datapath

- Register A is a shift register with parallel load and synchronous clear.
- Register Q is a shift register.
- C flip-flop needs a synchronous clear.
- Register B has a parallel load.
- Register Q has a parallel load.
- To Implement Control Unit Consider:
 - Control of micro-operations i.e. generate the control signals
 - Sequencing of control unit and microoperation i.e. to determine what happens next.
- Control Unit Design Approach
 - Simplify ASM chart to represent only state transitions.
 - Generate a new table to define control signals in terms of states and inputs.

Control Signals for Multiplier

Micro-operations for each register

Block Diag	Micro-Operation	Control	Control
Module		Signal	Expression
Register A	$A \leftarrow 0$	Initialize	
	$A \leftarrow A + B$	Load	
	$C \ A\ Q \leftarrow sr C \ A\ Q$	Shift	
Register B	$B \leftarrow IN$	Load_B	
FF C	$C \leftarrow 0$	Clear_C	
	$C \leftarrow Cout$	Load	
Register Q	$Q \leftarrow IN$	Load_Q	
	$C \ A\ Q \leftarrow sr C \ A\ Q$	Shift	
Counter P	$P \leftarrow n - 1$	Initialize	
	$P \leftarrow P - 1$	Decrement	
		Count	

Same control signal for different registers:

Derive control signal logic from ASM Initialize: Clear_C:

Remove information on micro-operations and redraw the ASM for sequencing purposes only.

ASM for Sequencing Part

- Remove any decision boxes that do not affect the next state situation.
- Remove all the output boxes and any outputs in the state boxes.
- Design the sequencing part of the control unit using the simplified ASM chart



Sequence Register and Decoder Method

Sequence Register for control states

- Register with n-Flip-Flops can have 2ⁿ states.
- n-bit sequence register has n-FFs & associated gates. Decoder provides outputs corresponding to each state

Combination of the external inputs and feedback from the present state generates the next states.



If there is no external input then it reduces to a counter decoder control circuit.

Sequence Register and Decoder Method

Binary Multiplier Control Sequencer

• 3-states and 2-inputs:

State Table

Present State			Inputs N		N. State	Decoder		er
Name	M 1	M0	G	Ζ	M1+ M0+	IDLE	MUL0	MUL1
IDLE	0	0	0	Х		1	0	0
	0	0	1	Х		1	0	0
MUL0	0	1	Х	Х		0	1	0
MUL1	1	0	Х	0		0	0	1
	1	0	Х	1		0	0	1
	1	1	Х	X		Х	X	X

2 Flip-flops : M1 M0

States 00, 01 and 10: IDLE, MUL0 and MUL1

 $D_{M0} = M0^+$

 $D_{M1} = M1^+$

Outputs: Initialize, Clear_C, Shift and Load

Initialize and Shift already available

Gates required for Clear_C and Load

Clear_C = Load =

Sequence Register and Decoder Method

Implementation



Multiplier VHDL Code

```
-- A behavioral model of a multiplier for
 -- unsigned binary-numbers that multiplies a
 -- 4-bit multiplicand by a 4-bit multiplier
 -- to give an 8-bit product.
 -- The maximum number of clock cycles needed
 -- for a multiply is 10.
library ieee;
use ieee.std logic 1164.all;
use ieee.std logic arith.all;
use ieee.std logic unsigned.all;
entity mult4X4 is
port (Clk, St: in std logic;
      Mplier, Mcand:
             in std logic vector(3 downto 0);
       Done: out std logic);
end mult4X4;
architecture behave1 of mult4X4 is
  signal State: integer range 0 to 9;
-- accumulator
signal ACC: std logic vector(8 downto 0);
-- Q0 is bit 0 of ACC
alias Q0: std logic is ACC(0);
begin
```

```
process
  begin
-- executes on rising edge of clock
  wait until Clk = '1';
  case State is
                                  --initial State
   when 0 =>
    if St='1' then
      ACC(8 \text{ downto } 4) \le "00000"; --Begin cycle
       -- Load multiplier
     ACC(3 downto 0) <= Mplier;
      State \leq 1;
    end if;
    when 1 \mid 3 \mid 5 \mid 7 \Rightarrow --"add/shift" State
     if Q0 = '1' then --Add multiplicand
       ACC(8 downto 4) \leq
       add4(ACC(7 downto 4), Mcand, '0');
        State <= State + 1;</pre>
                    -- Shift accumulator right
        else
           ACC <= '0' \& ACC(8 \text{ downto } 1);
           State <= State + 2;
     end if;
    when 2 \mid 4 \mid 6 \mid 8 \Rightarrow --"shift" State
       -- Right shift
     ACC <= '0' \& ACC(8 \text{ downto } 1);
     State \leq State + 1;
                                  -- End of cycle
    when 9 =>
     State \leq 0;
   end case;
end process;
Done \leq 1' when State = 9 else '0';
end behave1;
```

One Flip-Flop per State Method

Every state is assigned to one flip-flop.



The configuration of the 4-state control logic:

- Four D-type flip-flops
- One flip-flop for every state
- Only one flip-flop will be active (level HIGH) at any one time.

One Flip-Flop per State Method

Only one flip-flop is in active state or "1" at a time that signifies one state.

Main Features:

- •The simplicity allows designers to design controller only by inspection from the ASM chart or state diagram.
- Cost saving in the design effort of controllers, however, it is not recommended for high volume production.
- •Large number of flip-flops leads to high cost.
- Each of the flip-flop output is connected to the data-processing section of the digital system, to initiate certain micro-operations.
- If controllers do not have any input and the control needs to be repeated then it becomes a ring counter controller.

One FF/State Implementation

Suited for Implementing Control Unit from ASM charts.

ASM Transforming Rules





One FF/State Implementation

ASM Transforming Rules





One FF/State Implementation ASM Chart for Binary Multiplier Control



One FF/State Implementation

