## - General Finite State Machine (FSM) design

- $F S M=$ sequential logic circuit which can be implemented in a fixed number of states
- basically extend design technique learned for counters


## - Basic design approach

1. understand the problem

- make assumptions to complete design specification
- identify inputs and outputs
- draw a block diagram of FSM
- enumerate possible inputs sequences and system states

2. obtain abstract representation of FSM

- draw state (transition) diagram
- or alternative state machine representation

3. perform state minimization (new step)
4. perform state assignment

- encode states
- build state transition table

5. choose FF type

- remap next state into required FF inputs

6. implement

- simplify next state and output logic equations
- wire the circuit together
- Design example: simple vending machine

Step 1: understand the problem

- problem description:
- vending machine dispenses gum given $15 ¢$ or more
- machine accepts nickels or dimes (sensor determines coin)
- machine provides no change
- assumptions:
- other coins automatically returned
- external reset applied after gum dispensed
- inputs/outputs:
- nickel inserted; dime inserted; reset; clock
- dispense gum
- block diagram:

- possible input sequences:
- N, N, N
- N, N, D
- N, D
- D, N
- D, D
- output: asserted only after reaching 15 ¢ or greater

Step 2: obtain abstract representation of FSM

- state diagram - based on tree of input options

- minimized state diagram (intuitive approach to Step 3)

- alternative state machine representations
- algorithm state machines - like flowcharts w/ rigorous timing
- hardware description languages - like HLL with explicit I|-ism

Step 4: perform state assignment

| Present | Inputs |  | Next | Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State | $D$ | $N$ | State | Dispense |
| $0 ¢$ | 0 | 0 | $0 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | $5 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | $10 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 1 | 1 | $X$ | $X$ |
| $5 ¢$ | 0 | 0 | $5 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | $10 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | $\geq 15 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 1 | 1 | $X$ | $X$ |
| $10 \Phi$ | 0 | 0 | $10 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | $\geq 15 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 1 | 0 | $\geq 15 ¢$ | 0 |
|  | 1 | 1 | $X$ | $X$ |
| $\geq 15 ¢$ | $X$ | $X$ | $\geq 15 ¢$ | 1 |

- 4 states requires 2 bits

$$
0 \Phi \quad \Rightarrow \quad 00
$$

$5 ¢ \quad \Rightarrow \quad 01$
10¢ $\Rightarrow 10$
$\geq 15$ ¢ $\Rightarrow 11$

Step 5: choose FF type

- choose J-K FF $\Rightarrow$ remap next state into FF inputs

| Present State |  | Inputs |  | Next State |  | J1 | K1 | J0 | K0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Q1 | Q0 | D | N | Q1 ${ }^{+}$ | Q0 ${ }^{+}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | X | 0 | X |
|  |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | X | 1 | X |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | X | 0 | $x$ |
|  |  | 1 | 1 | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | X | X | 1 |
|  |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | X | X | 1 |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | X | X | 0 |
|  |  | 1 | 1 | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | X | 0 | 0 | $x$ |
|  |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | X | 0 | 1 | X |
|  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | X | 0 | 1 | X |
|  |  | 1 | 1 | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| 1 | 1 | X | X | 1 | 1 | X | 0 | X | 0 |

Step 6: implement

- simplify logic equations for FF inputs and circuit output


| Q1Q0 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D N | 00 | 01 | 11 | 10 |
| 00 | X | X | 0 | 0 |
| 01 | X | X | 0 | 0 |
| 11 | X | X | X | X |
| 10 | X | X | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | $=0$ |  |  |


| Q1Q0 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D N | 00 | 01 | 11 | 10 |
| 00 | 0 | X | X | 0 |
| 01 | 1 | X | X | 1 |
| 11 | X | X | x | x |
| 10 | 0 | X | ( | $1)$ |
|  |  | $=\mathrm{N}$ | + Q |  |


| Q1Q0 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D N | 00 | 01 | 11 | 10 |
| 00 | X | 0 | 0 | X |
| 01 | X | 1 | 0 | X |
| 11 | X | $x$ | X | X |
| 10 | X | 0 | 0 | X |


| Q1Q0 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D N | 00 | 01 | 11 | 10 |
| 00 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 01 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 11 | X | X | X | X |
| 10 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |

Dispense = Q1 • Q0

## - Moore vs. Mealy machines

- block diagrams


Moore machine


Mealy machine

- timing of input, state, and output changes

- design example:
- function: assert output if 2 or more 1's in a row
- state diagram:


Moore machine


Mealy machine

- advantages/disadvantages
- Mealy often has fewer states than Moore machine since it associates outputs with transitions
- Mealy machine can fall victim to glitches since outputs are asynchronous

