

Encoders

Wilfrid Laurier University

Terry Sturtevant

Wilfrid Laurier University

January 26, 2012

Introduction

Introduction

- An encoder has a number of outputs which can *encode* the binary number of the highest input.

Introduction

- An encoder has a number of outputs which can *encode* the binary number of the highest input.
The output number indicates which input is active.

Introduction

- An encoder has a number of outputs which can *encode* the binary number of the highest input.

The output number indicates which input is active.

If no input is active, the outputs encode a value of zero.

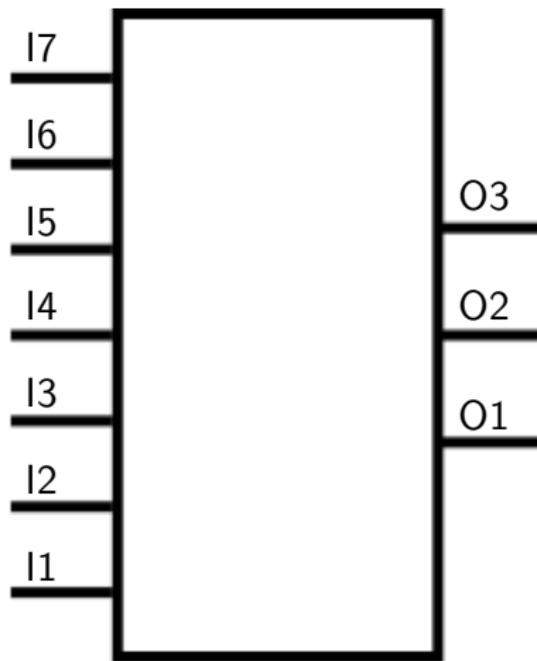
Introduction

- An encoder has a number of outputs which can *encode* the binary number of the highest input.

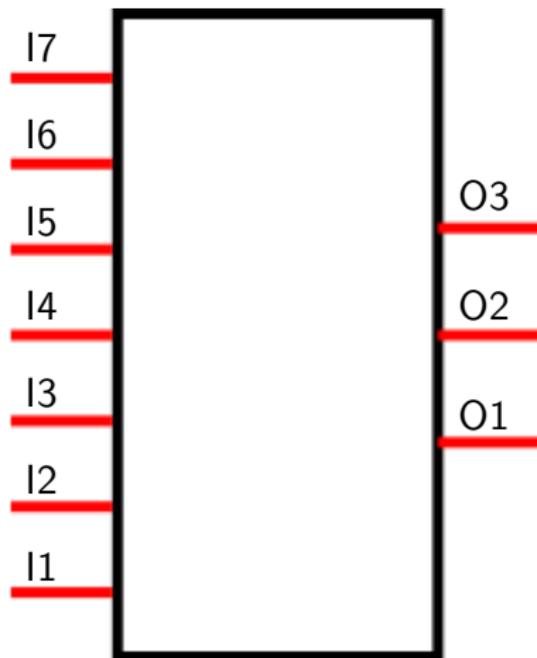
The output number indicates which input is active.

If no input is active, the outputs encode a value of zero.

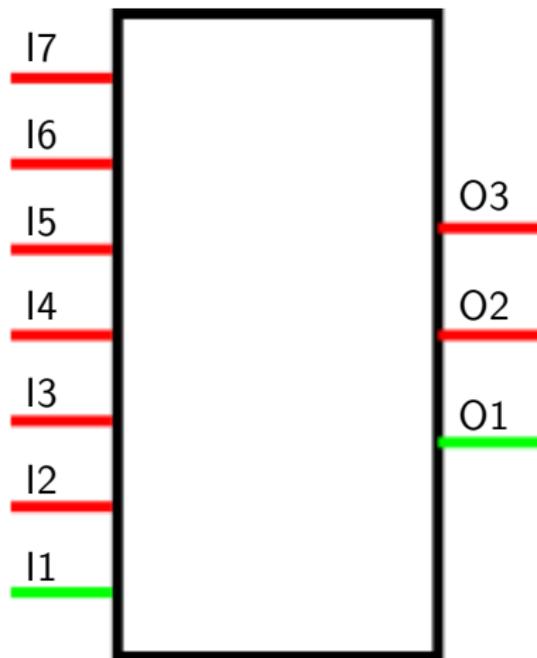
(Note the lowest input is numbered 1, not 0.)



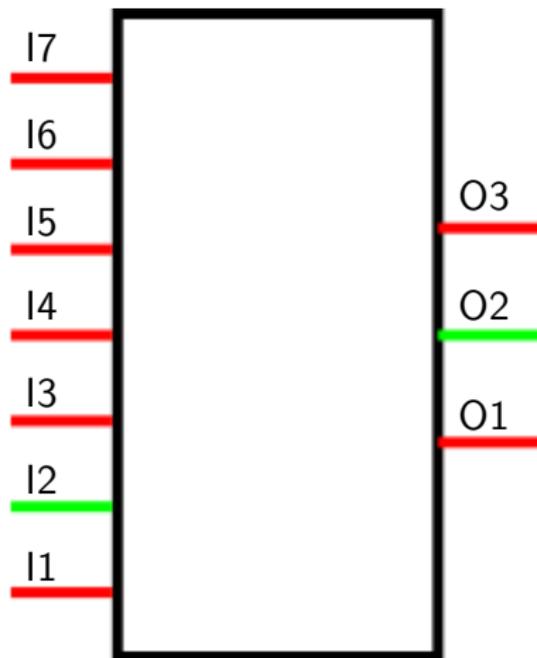
Here's a 3 bit encoder.



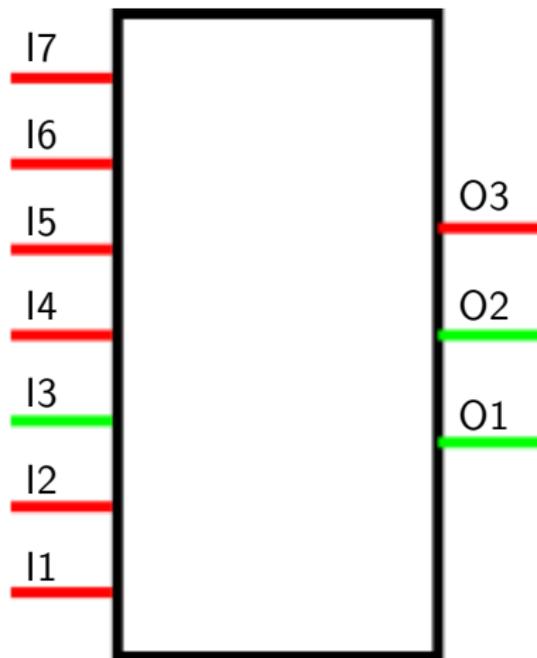
No input active; outputs 000; i.e. binary 0



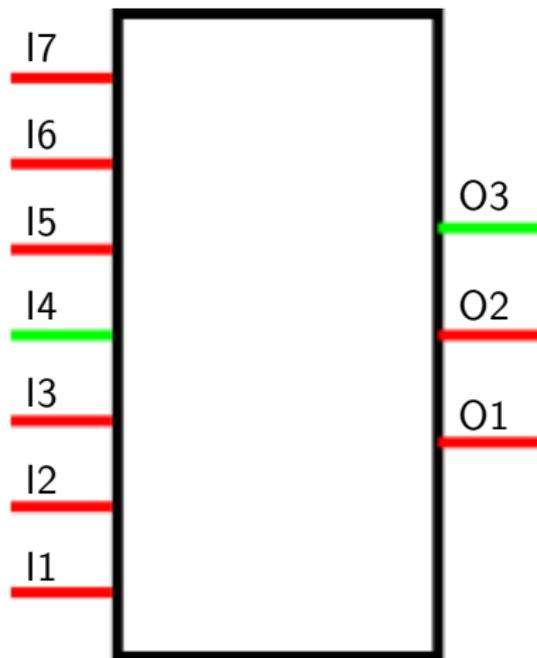
Input I1 active; outputs 001; i.e. binary 1



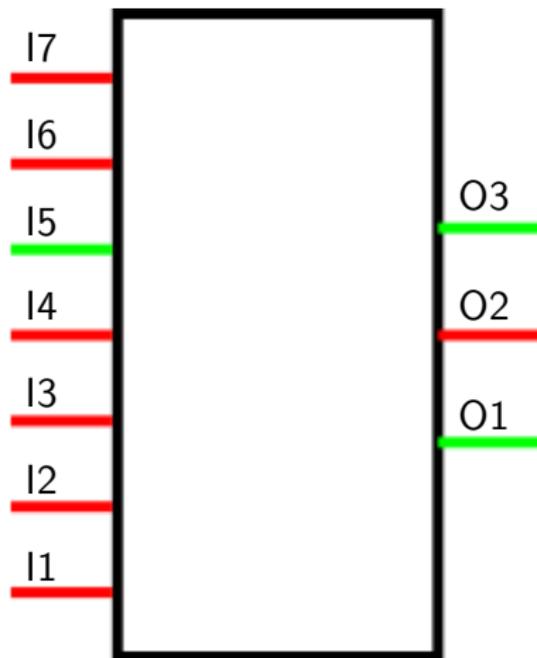
Input I2 active; outputs 010; i.e. binary 2



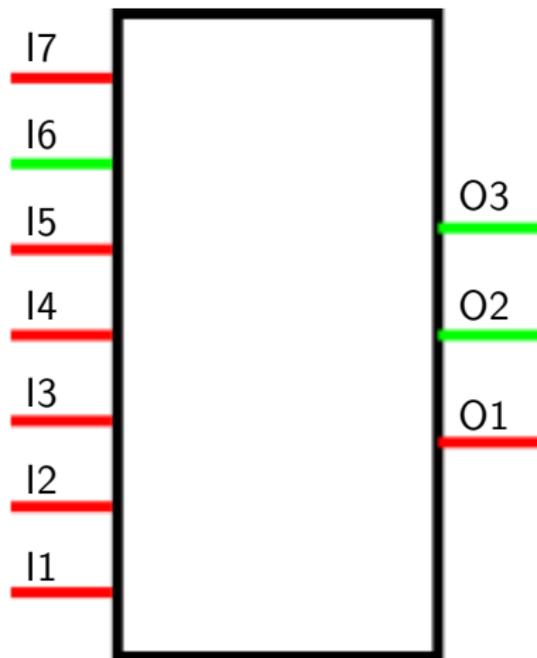
Input I3 active; outputs 011; i.e. binary 3



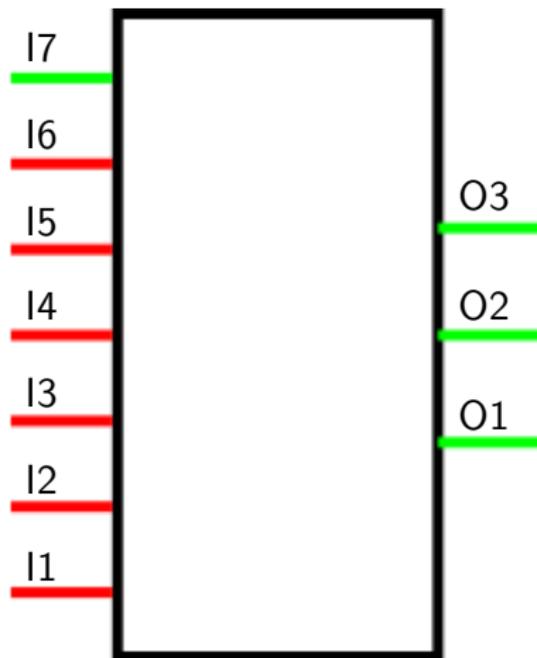
Input I4 active; outputs 100; i.e. binary 4



Input I5 active; outputs 101; i.e. binary 5



Input I6 active; outputs 110; i.e. binary 6



Input I7 active; outputs 111; i.e. binary 7

Priority Encoders

Priority Encoders

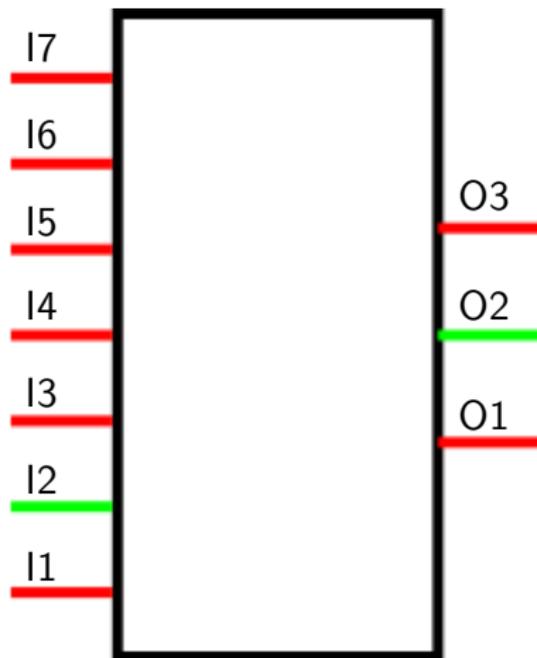
- For a *priority* encoder, the output encodes the *highest* numbered input,

Priority Encoders

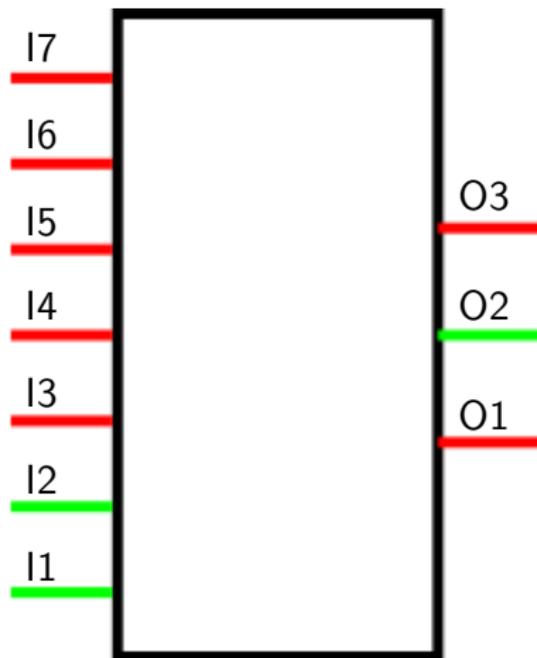
- For a *priority* encoder, the output encodes the *highest* numbered input, *regardless of the state of lower numbered inputs.*

Priority Encoders

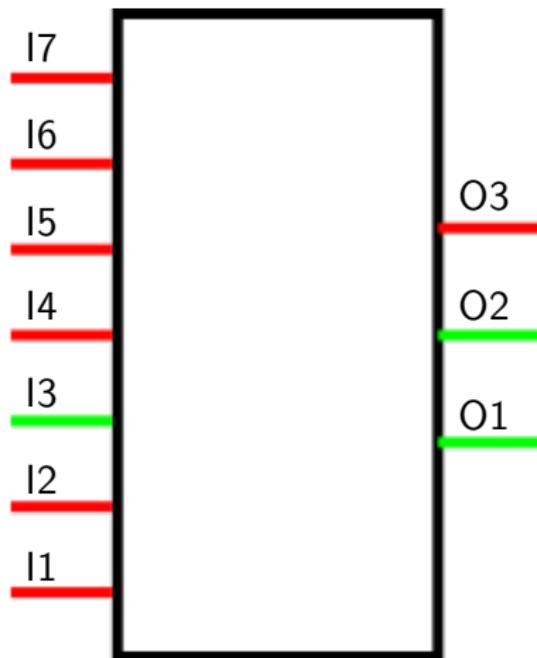
- For a *priority* encoder, the output encodes the *highest* numbered input, *regardless of the state of lower numbered inputs.*



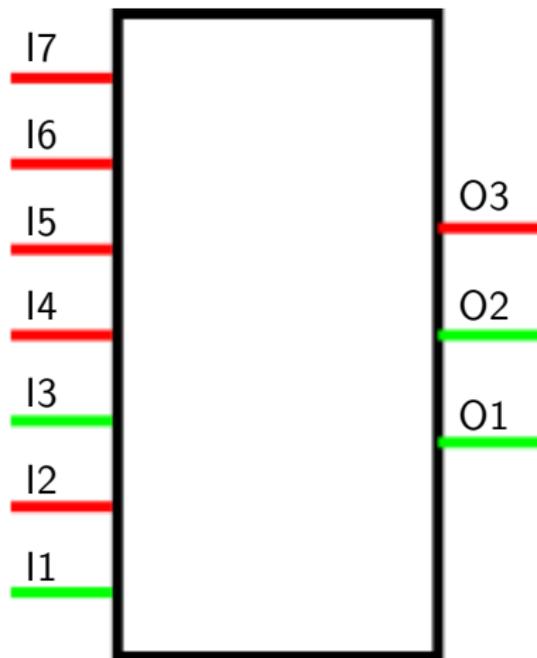
Input I2 active; outputs 010; i.e. binary 2



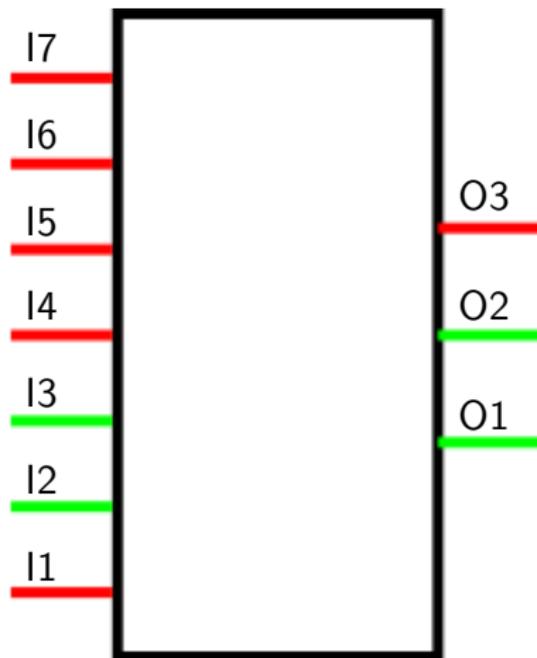
Input I2 active; outputs 010; i.e. binary 2 *regardless of I1*



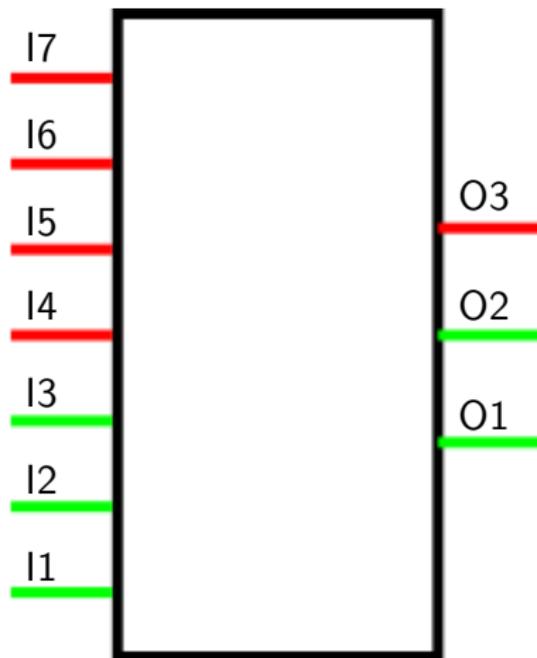
Input I3 active; outputs 011; i.e. binary 3



Input I3 active; outputs 011; i.e. binary 3 *regardless of I1 and I2*



Input I3 active; outputs 011; i.e. binary 3 *regardless of I1 and I2*



Input I3 active; outputs 011; i.e. binary 3 *regardless of I1 and I2*

Most encoders are priority encoders.

Most encoders are priority encoders.

For a *non-priority* encoder, the behaviour when more than one input is active needs to be specified.