

# IQI 04, Seminar 7

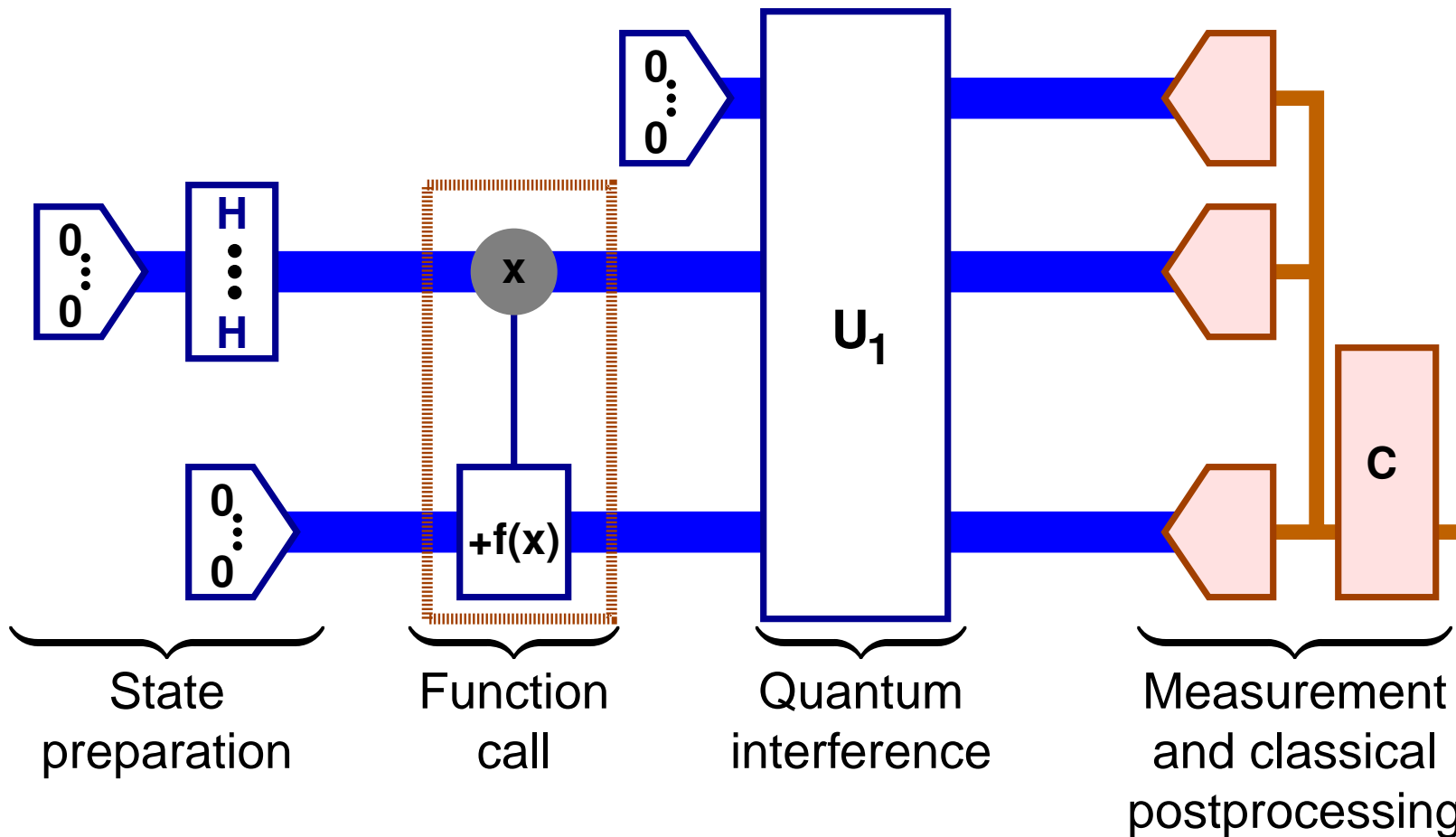
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- From irreversible to reversible computation.

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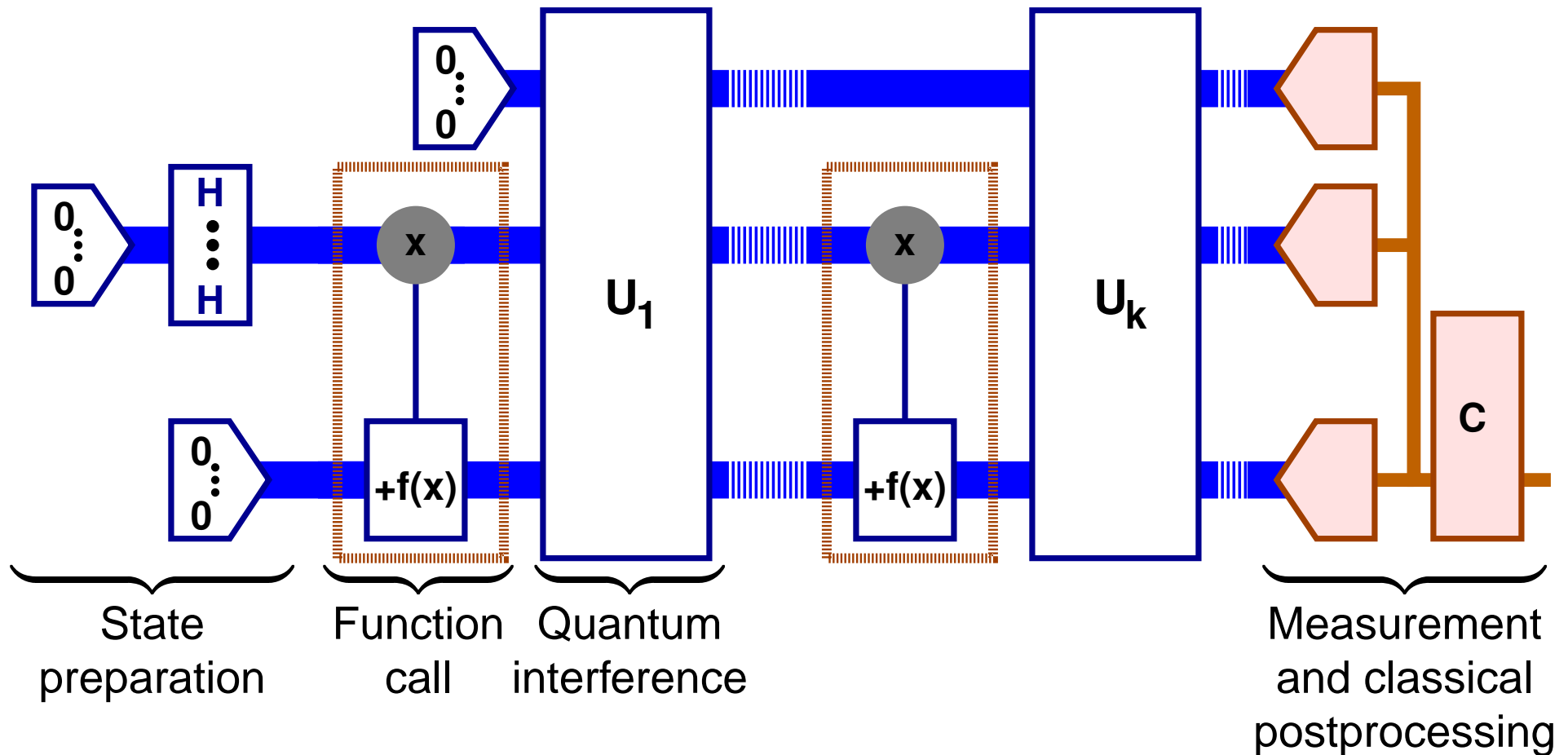
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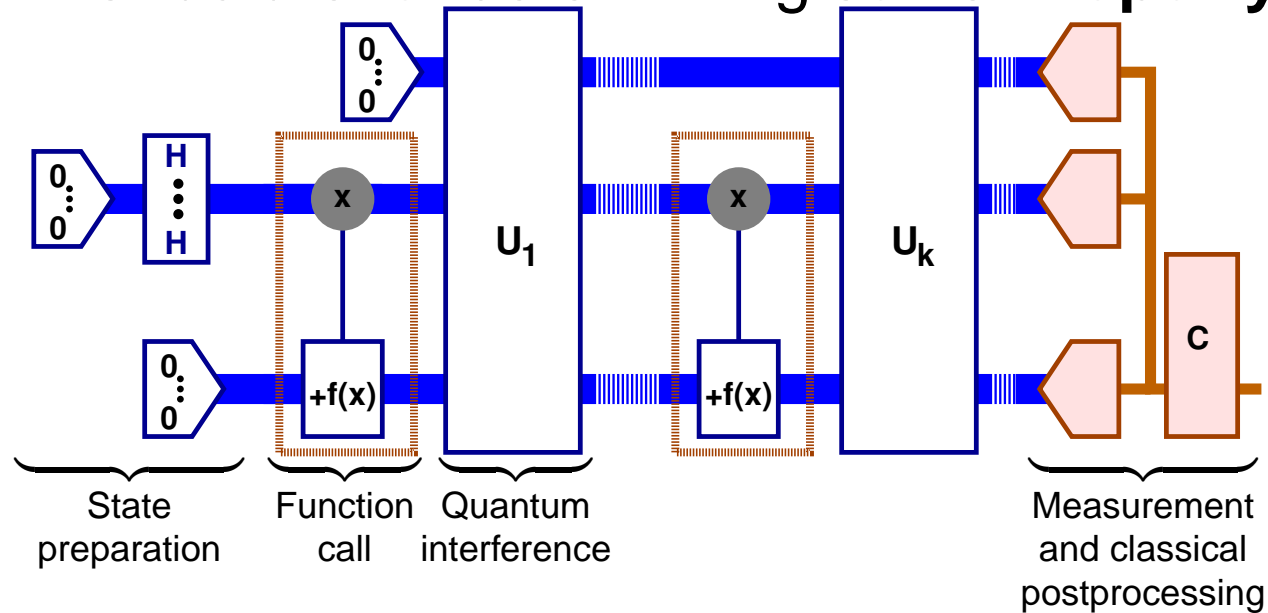
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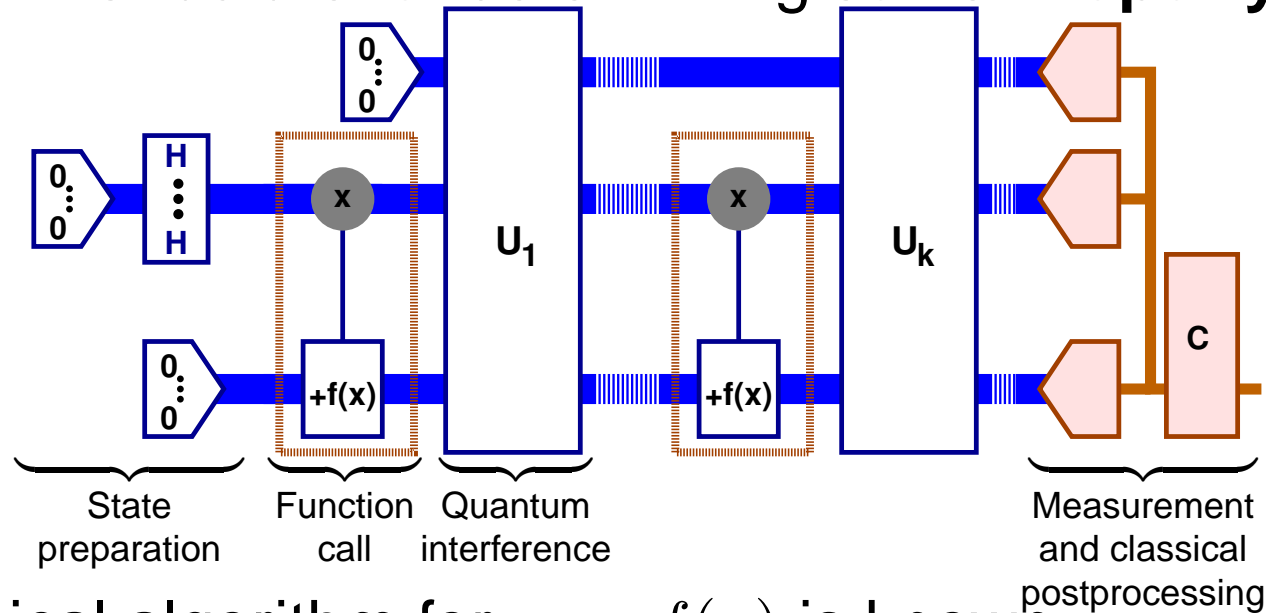
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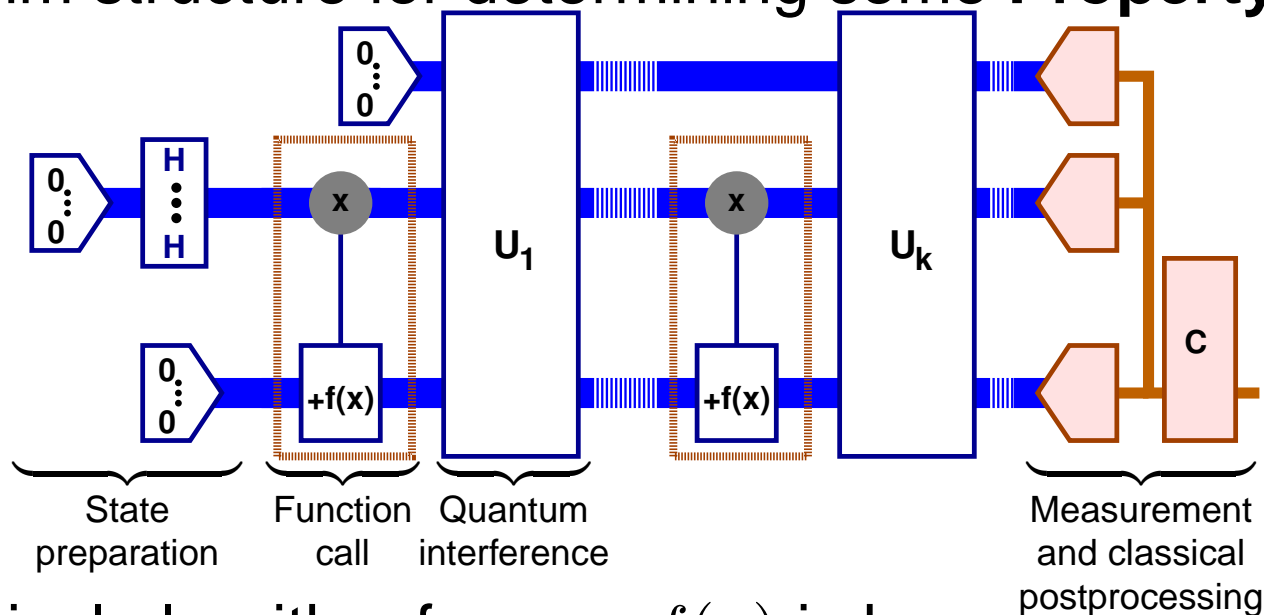


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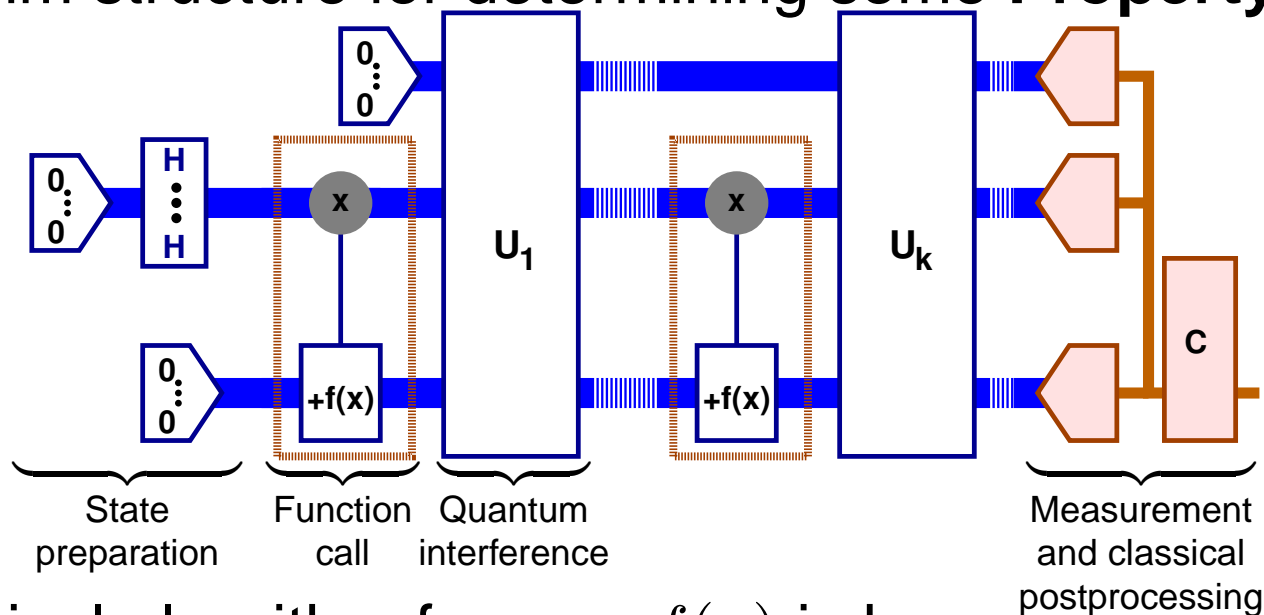


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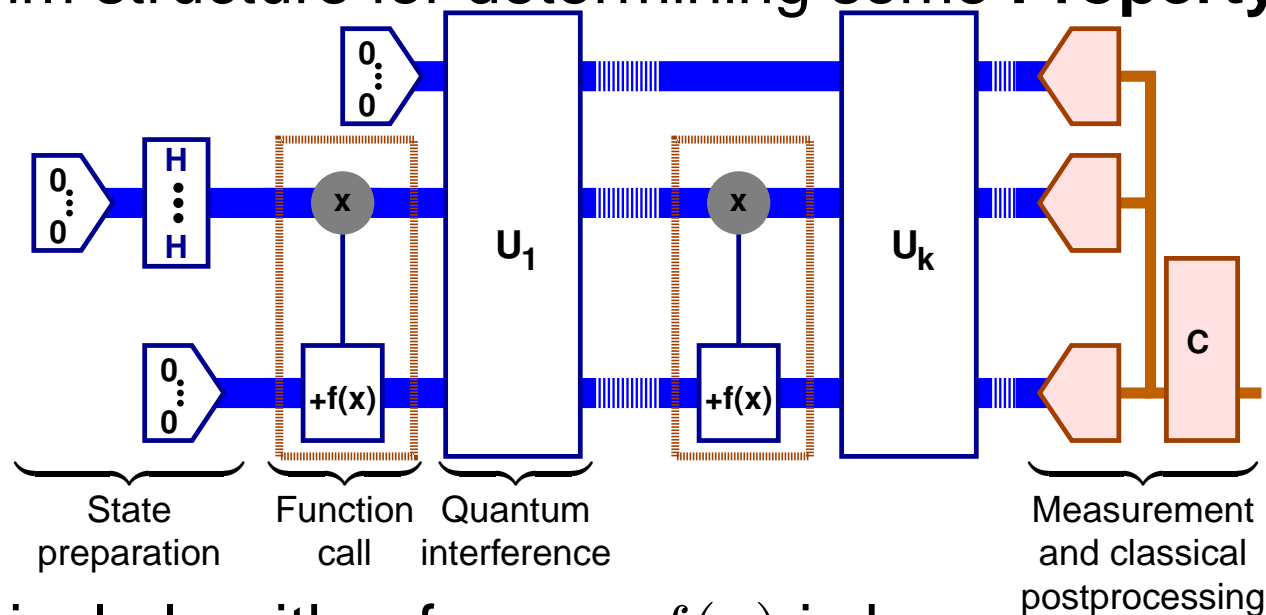
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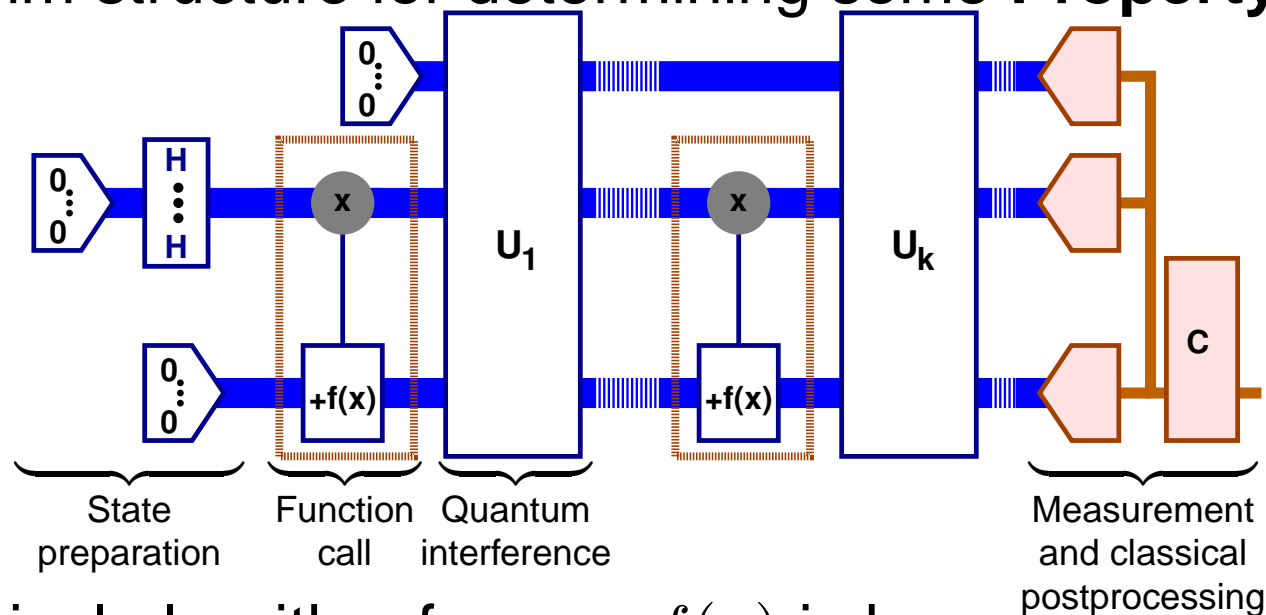


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**Input:** Zero-filled  $n$ -bit numbers  $x = x_{n-1} \dots x_0$  and  $y = y_{n-1} \dots y_0$ .

**Output:** 0 if  $x < y$  and 1 if  $x \geq y$ .

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$c \leftarrow -1$

**while**  $k \geq 0 \ \& \ c < 0$

**if**  $x_k < y_k$

$c \leftarrow 0$

**else if**  $x_k > y_k$

$c \leftarrow 1$

**end**

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$\Rightarrow$  **return**  $c$

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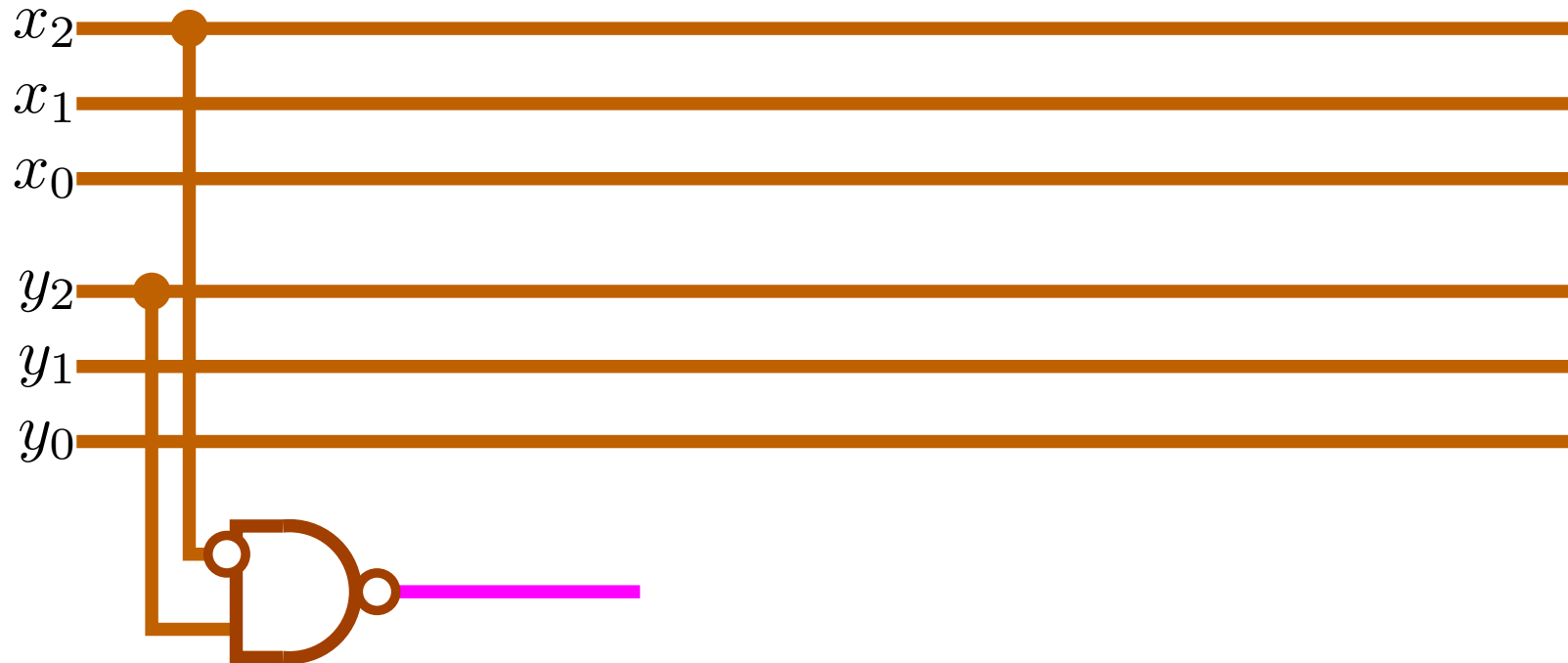
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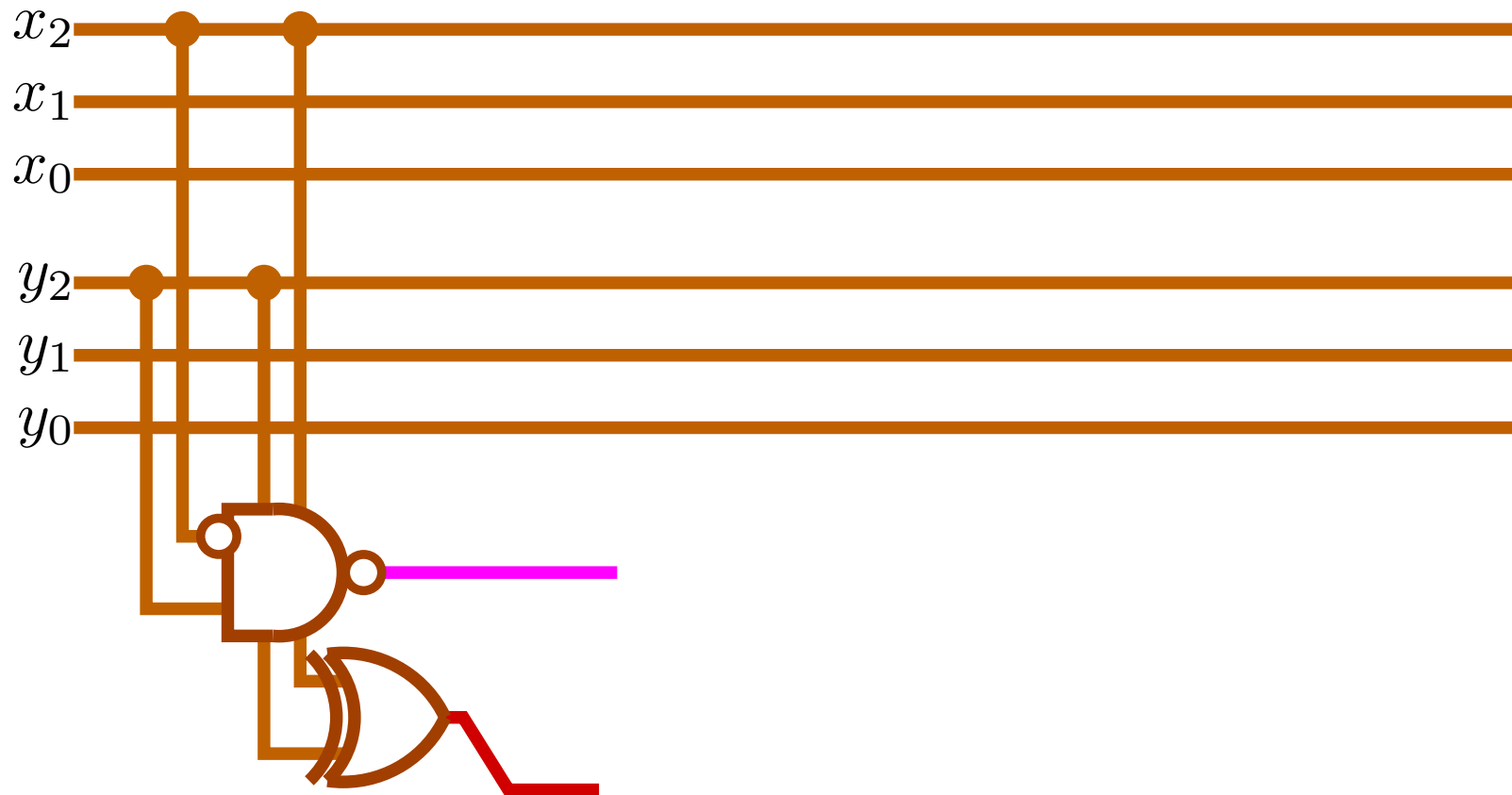
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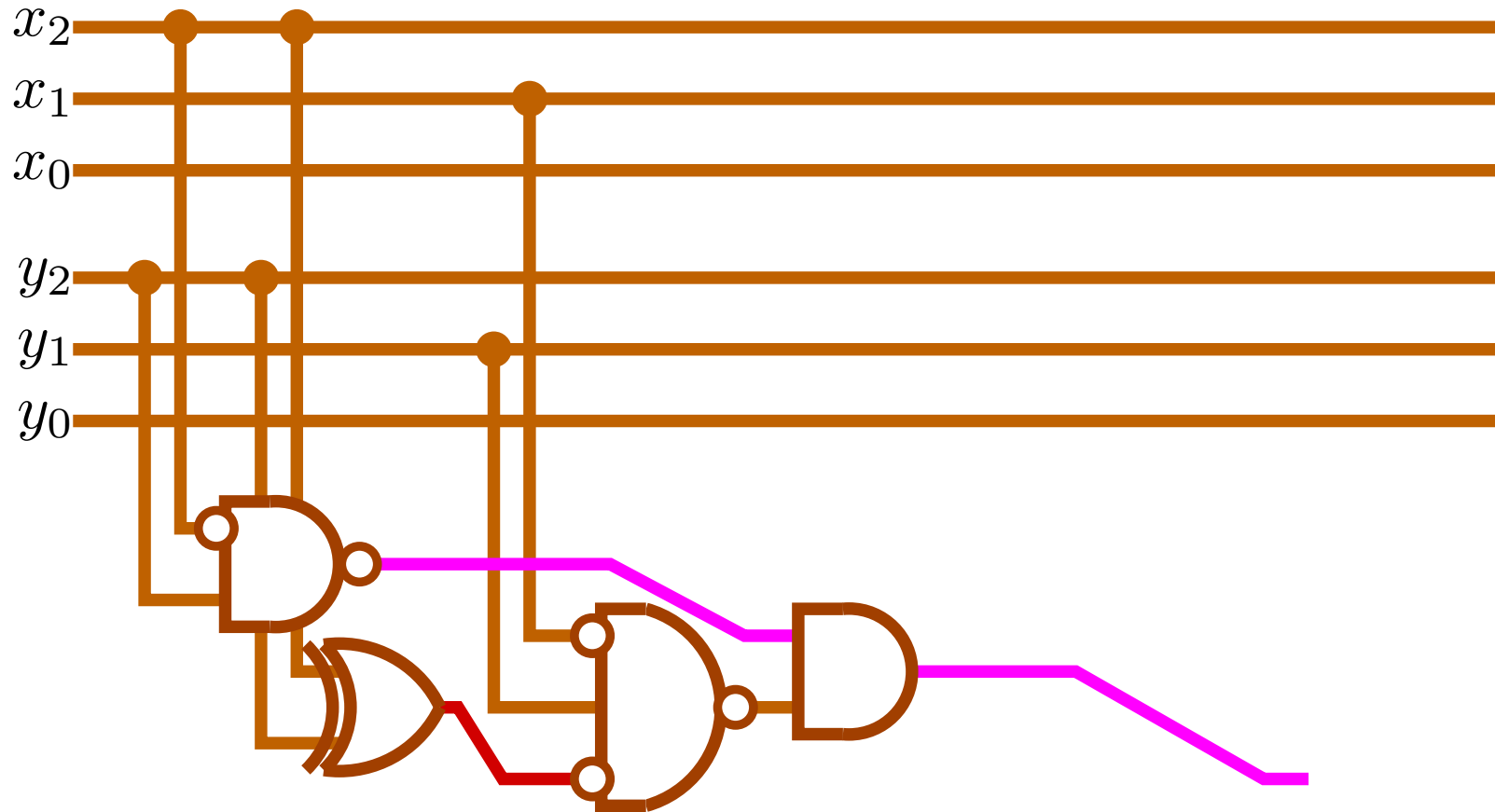
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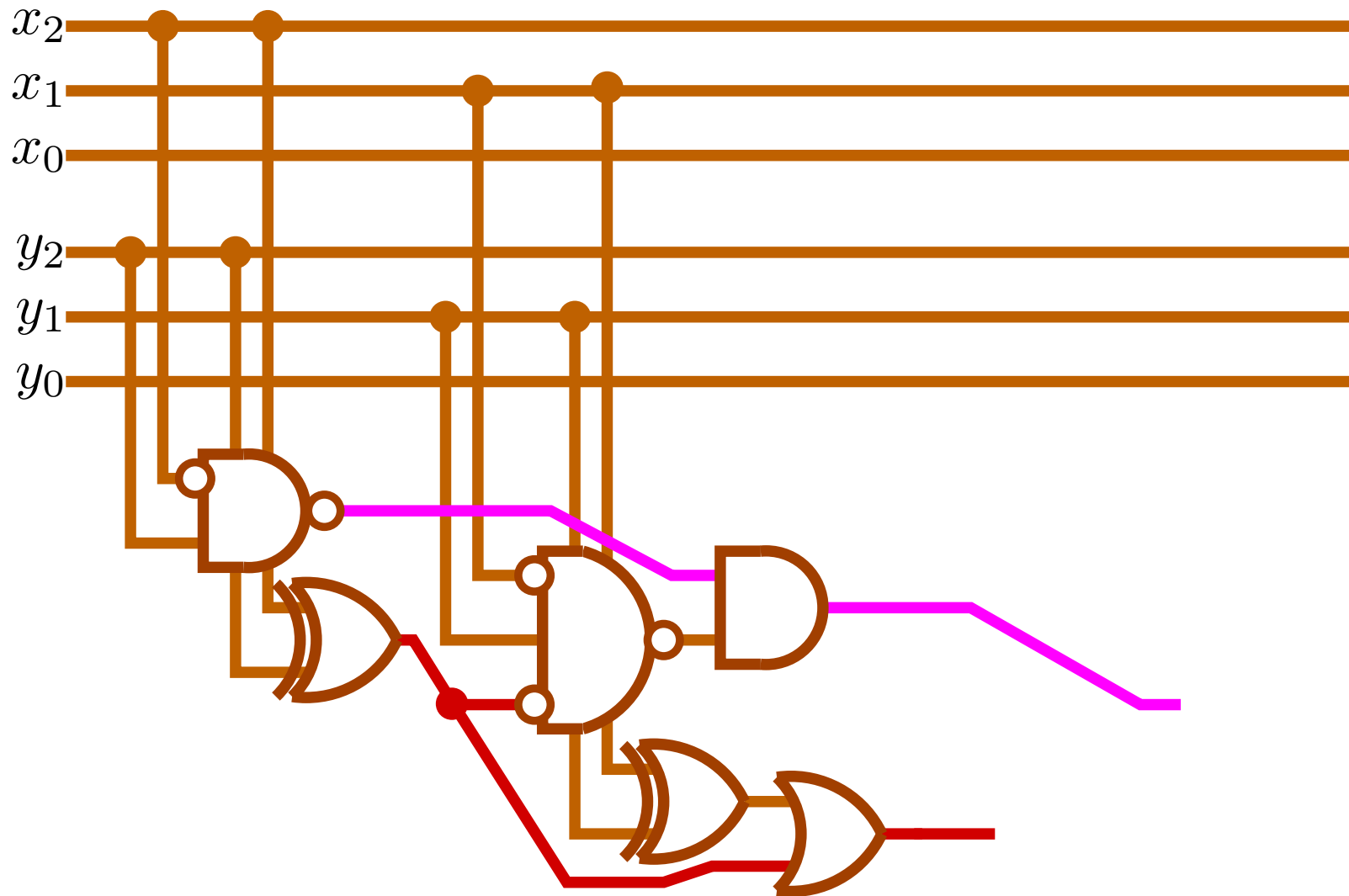
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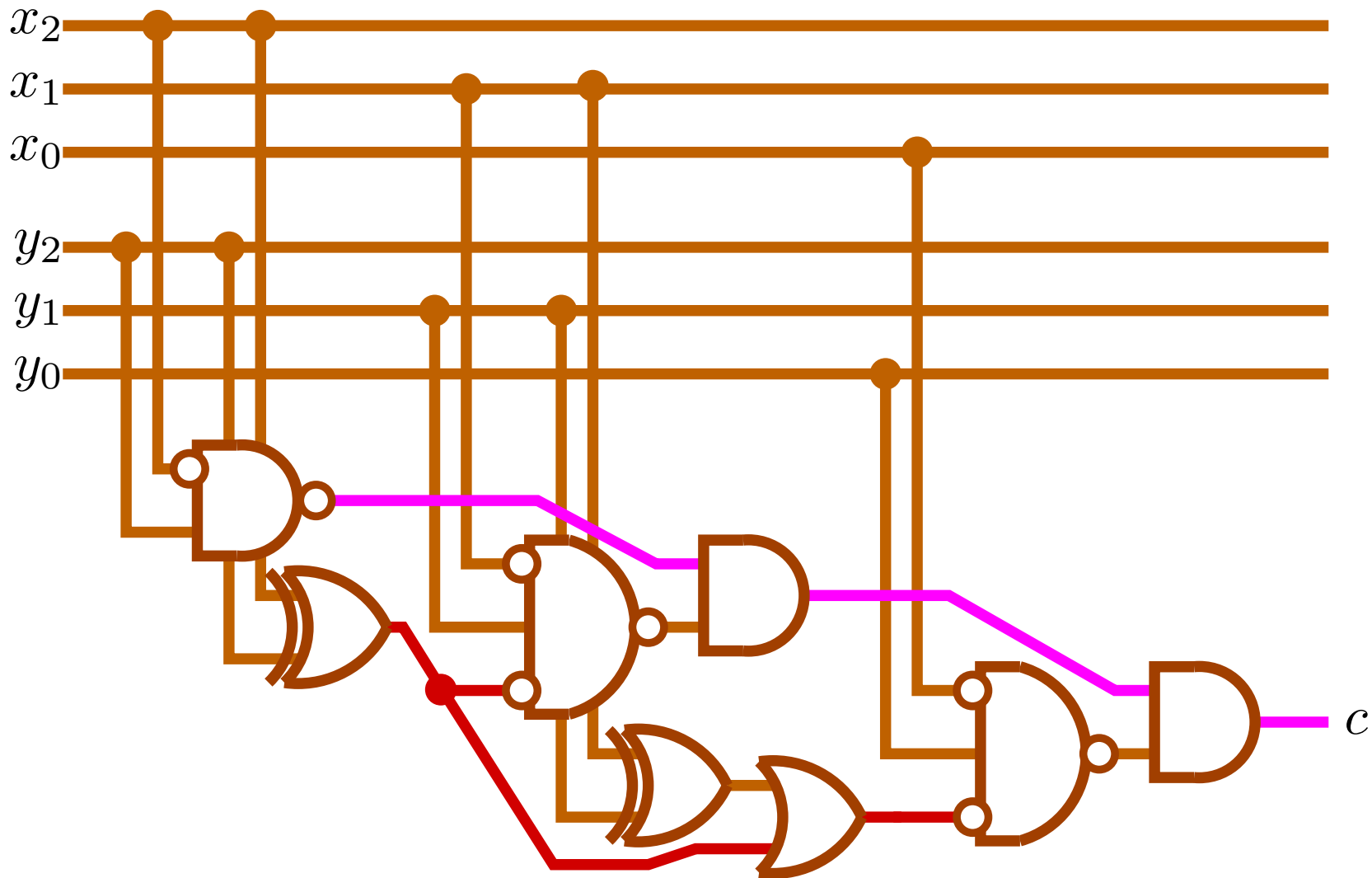
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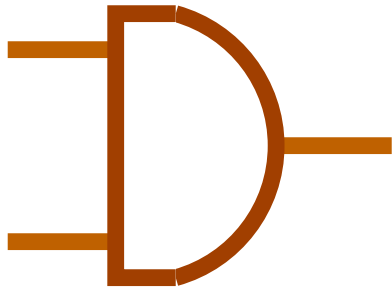
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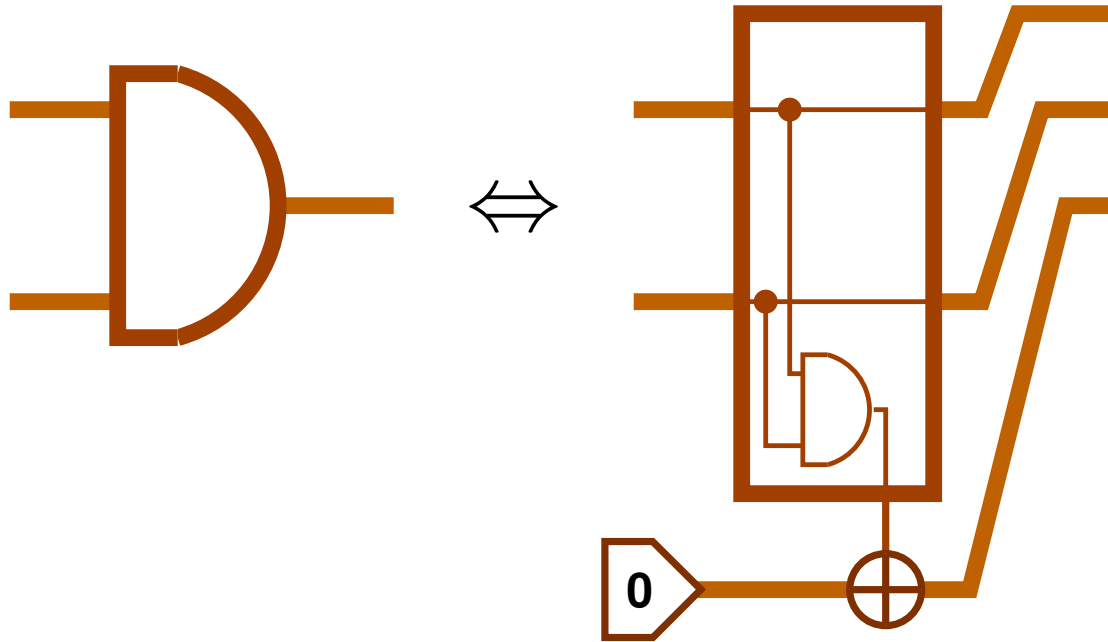
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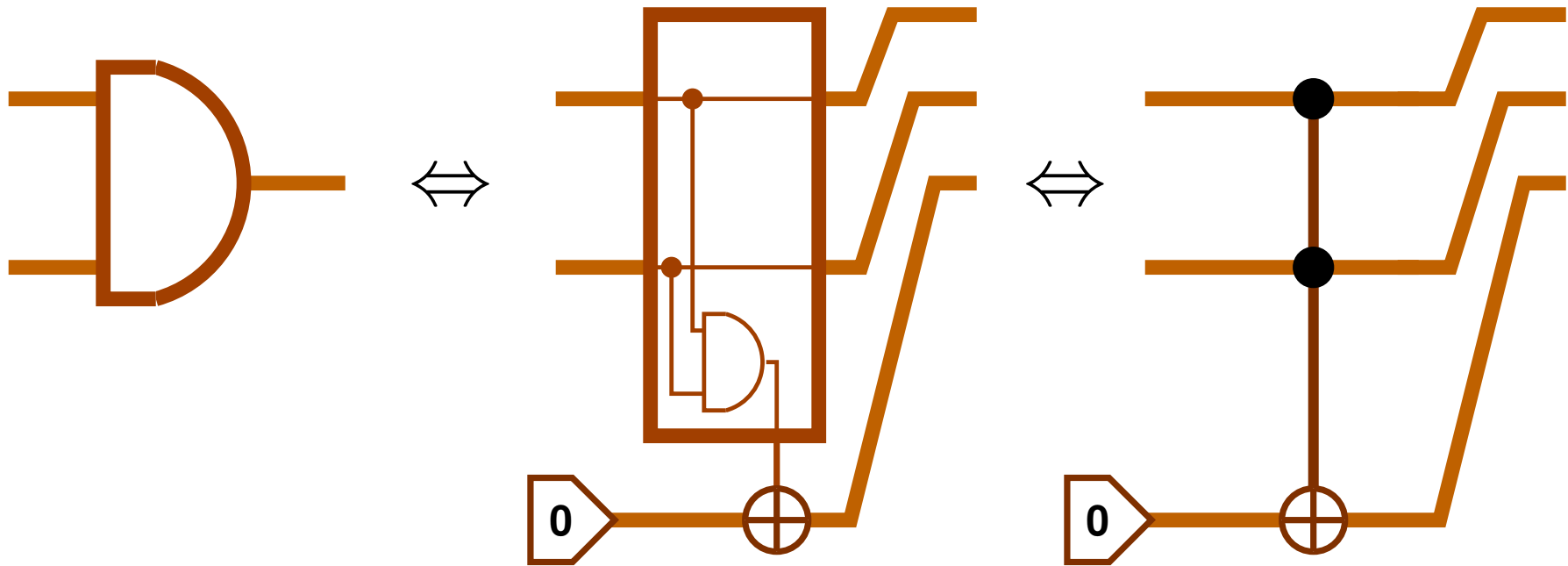
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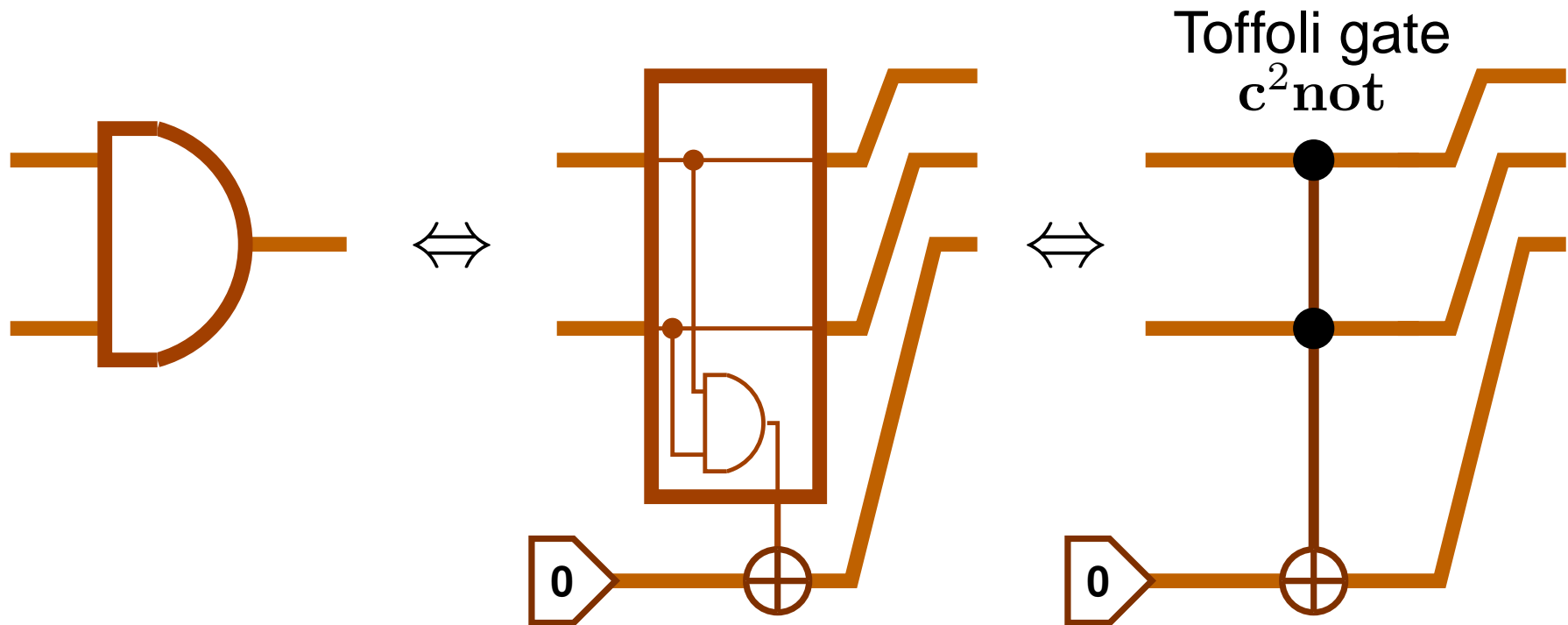
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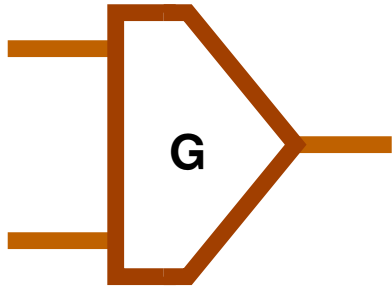
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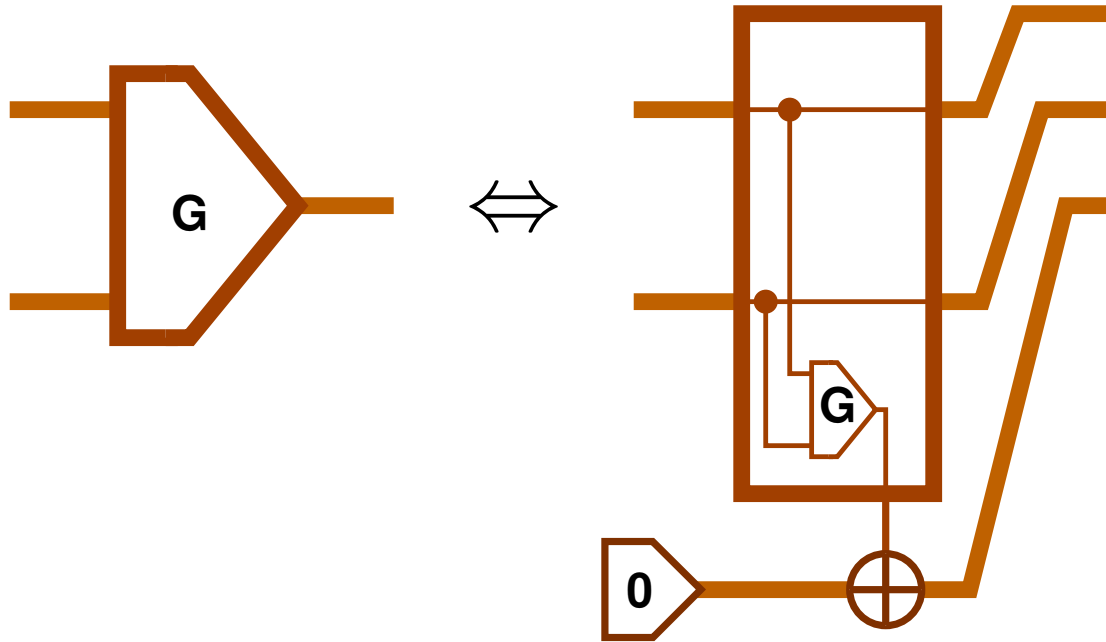
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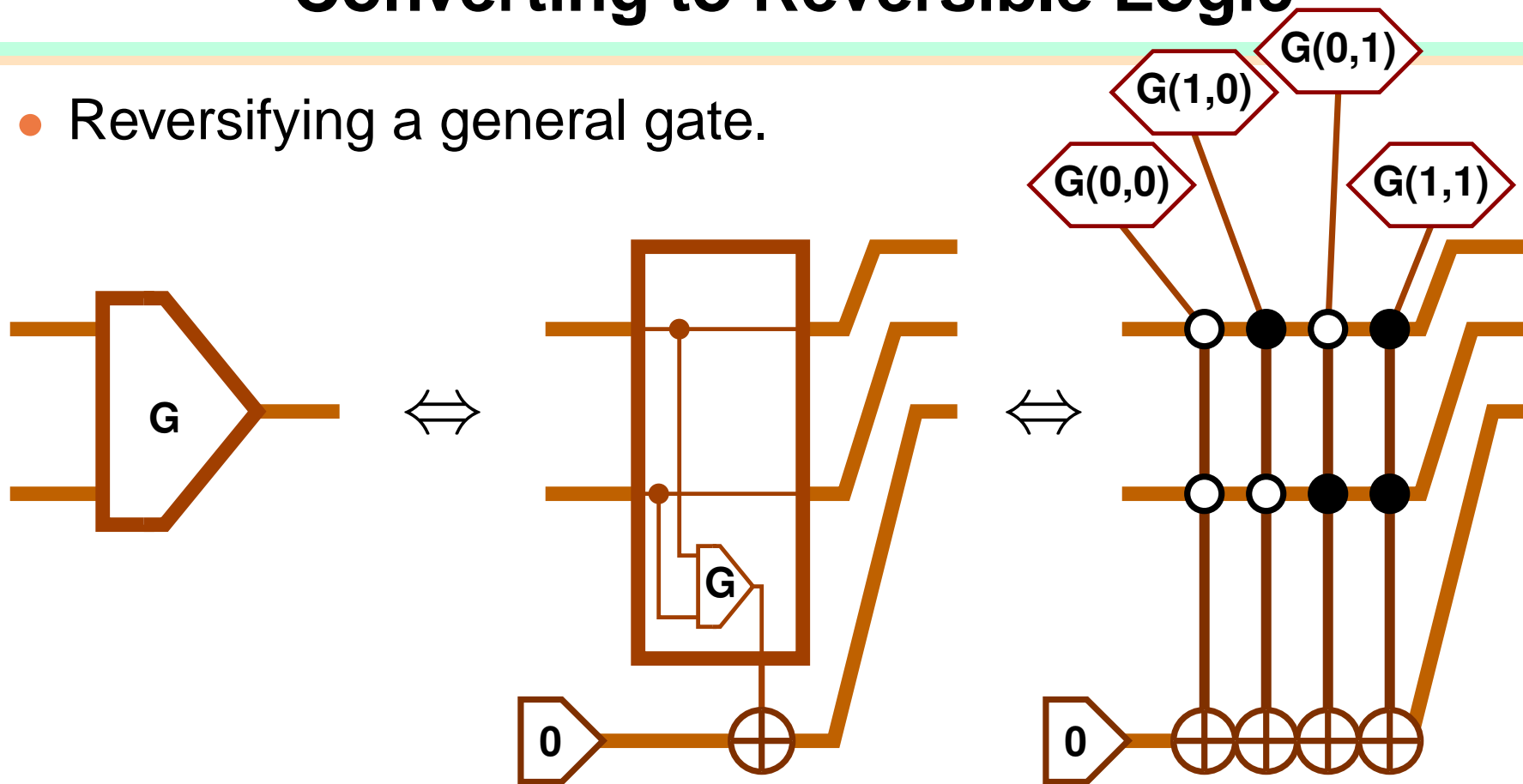
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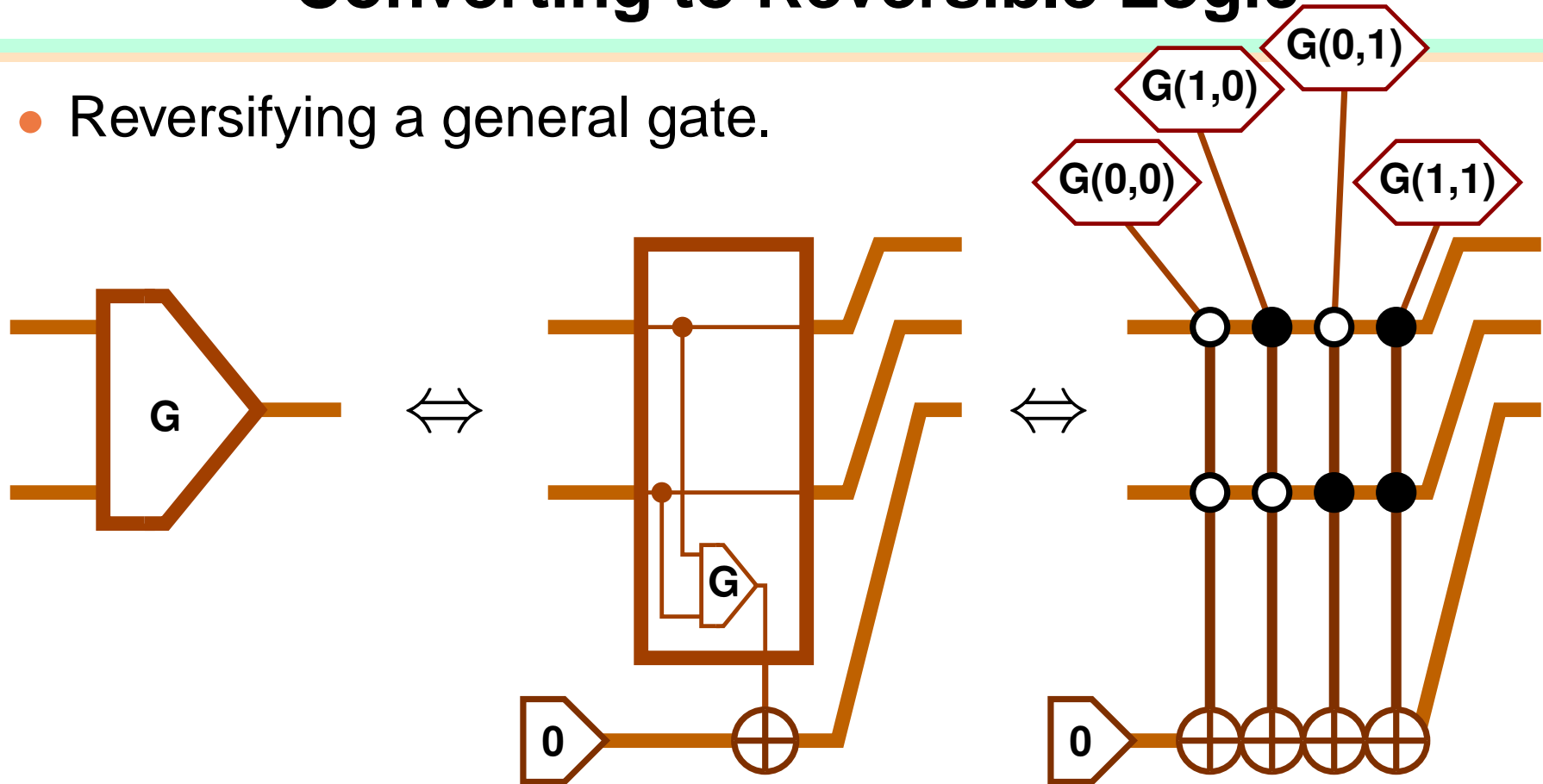
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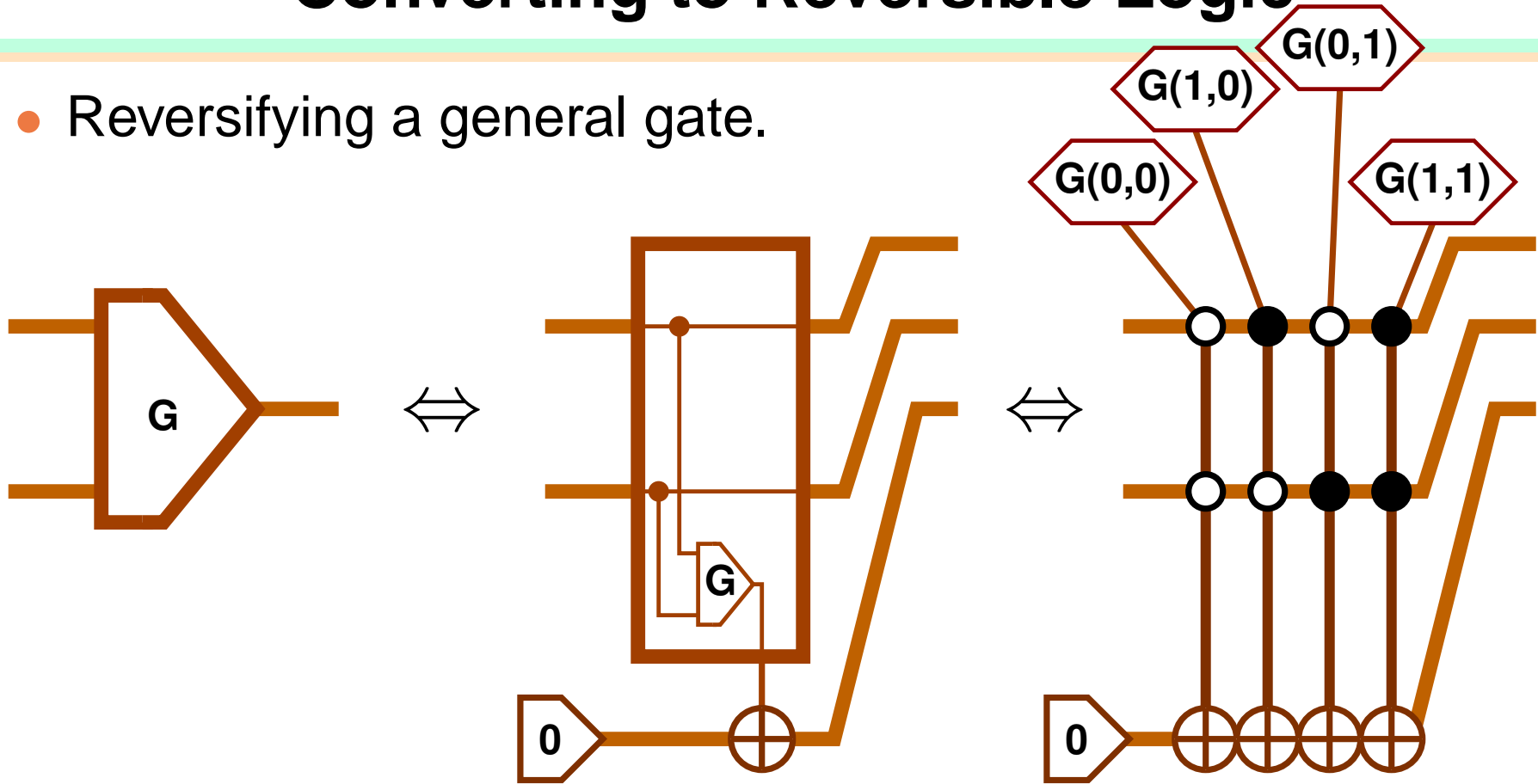


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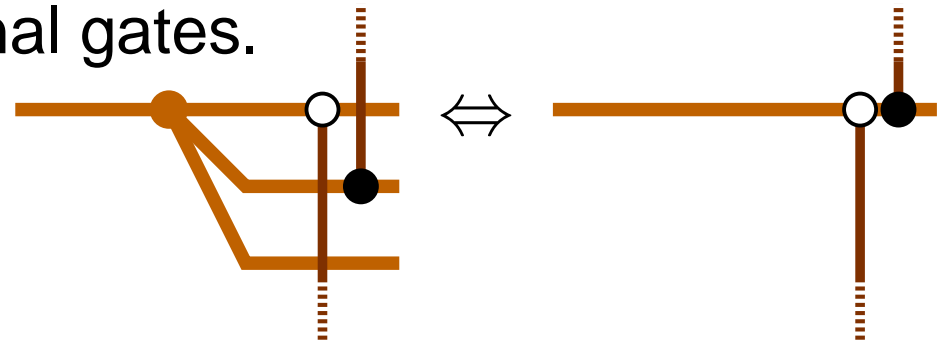


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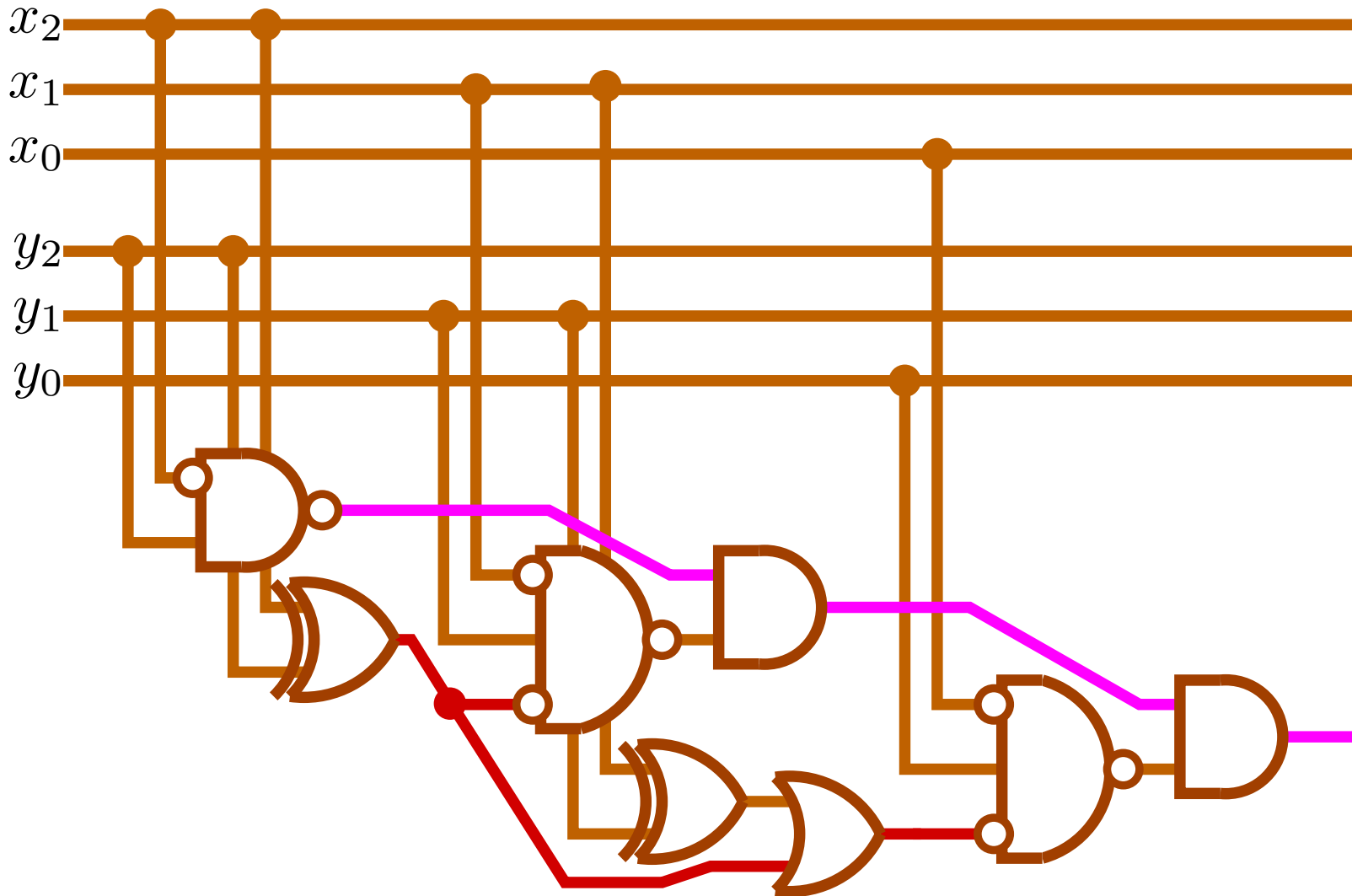


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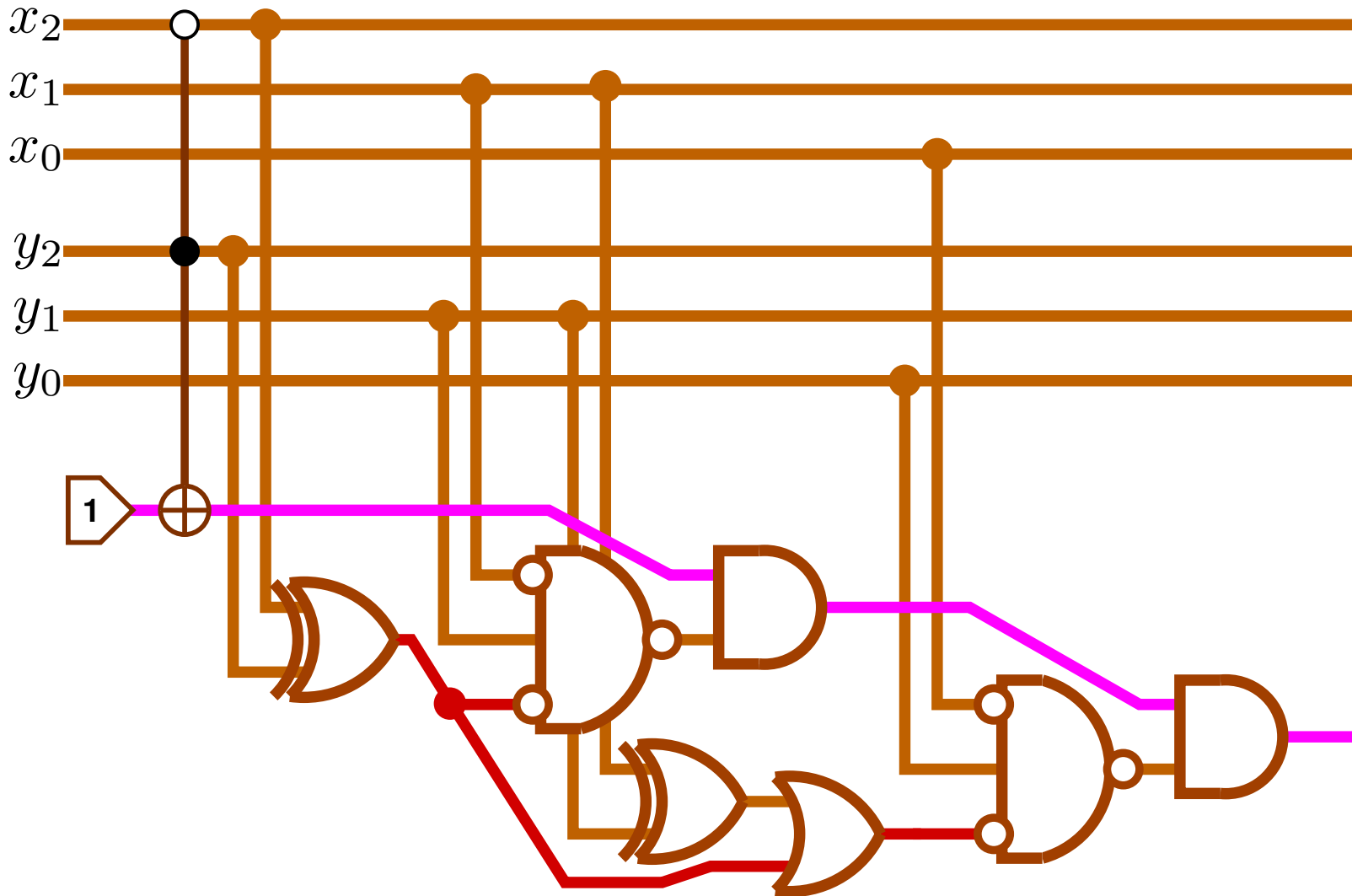




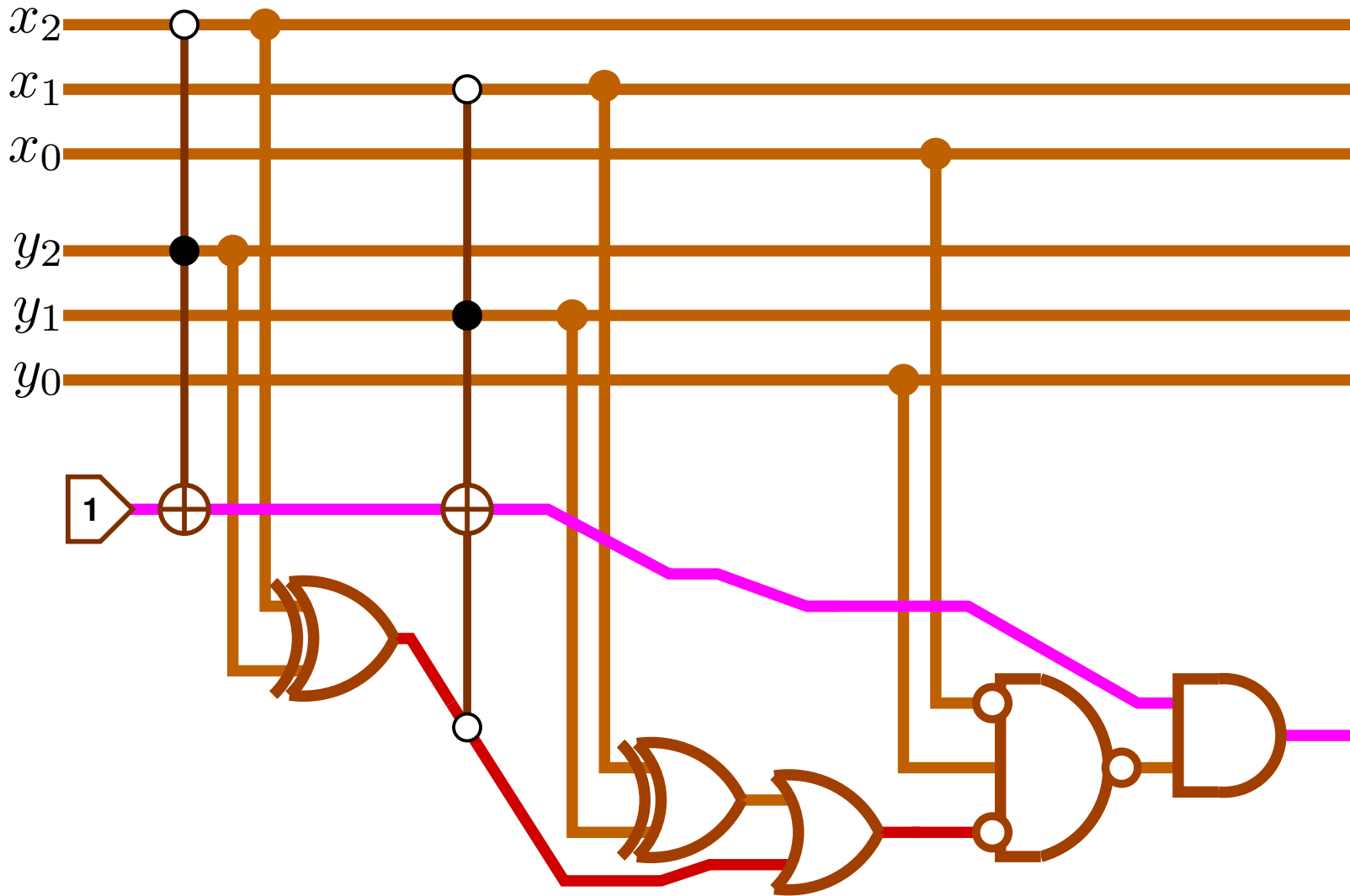
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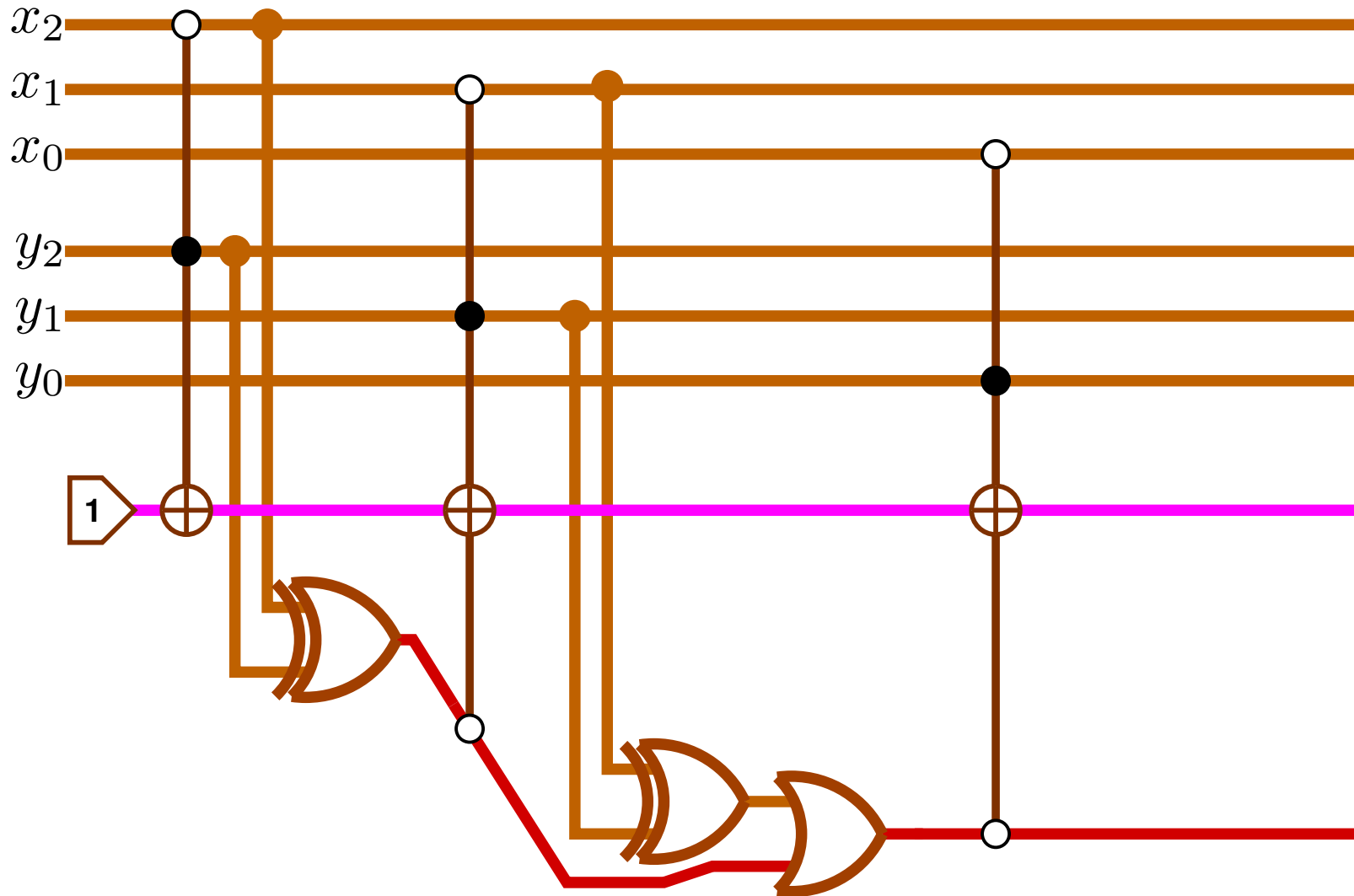
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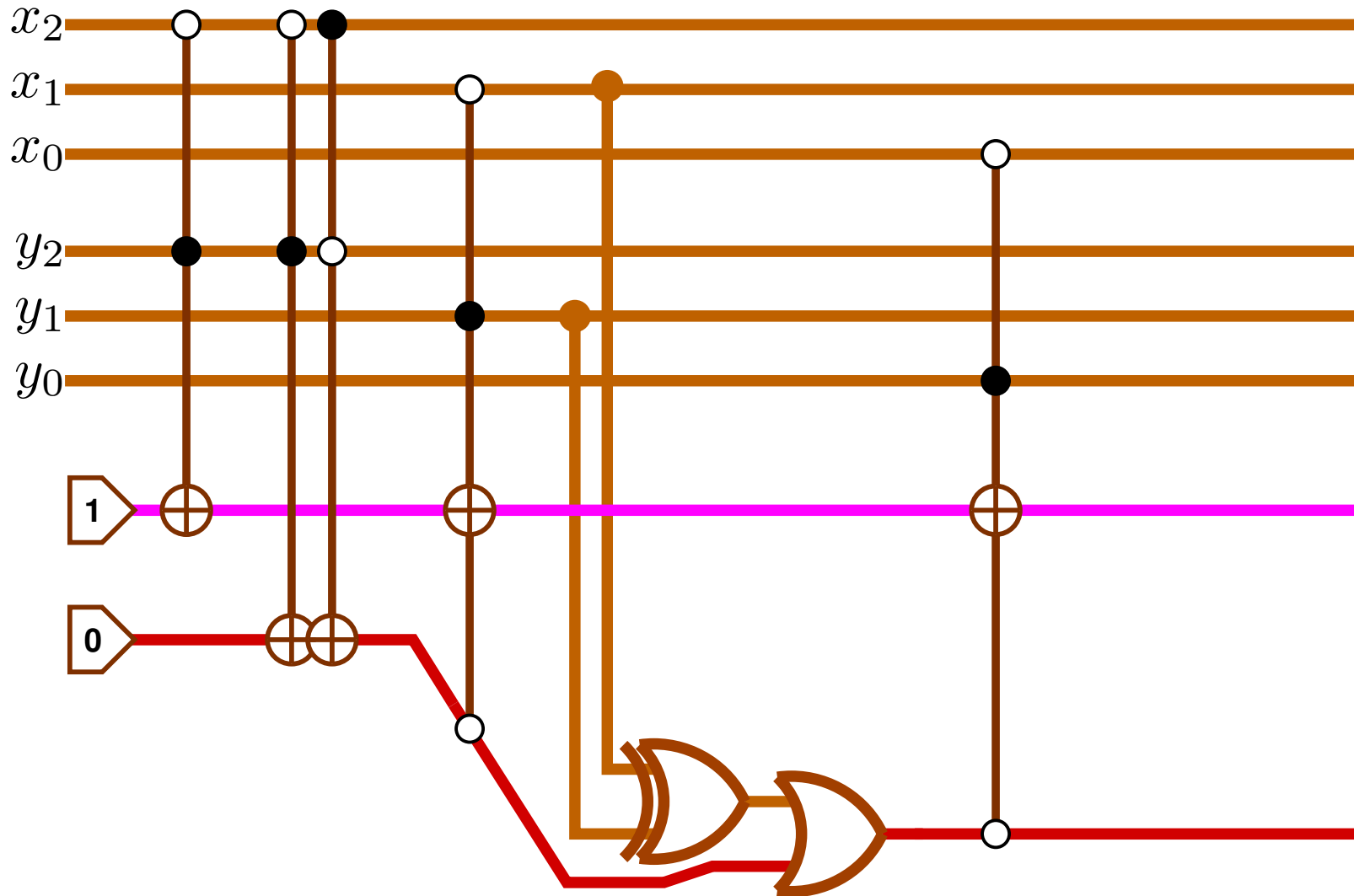
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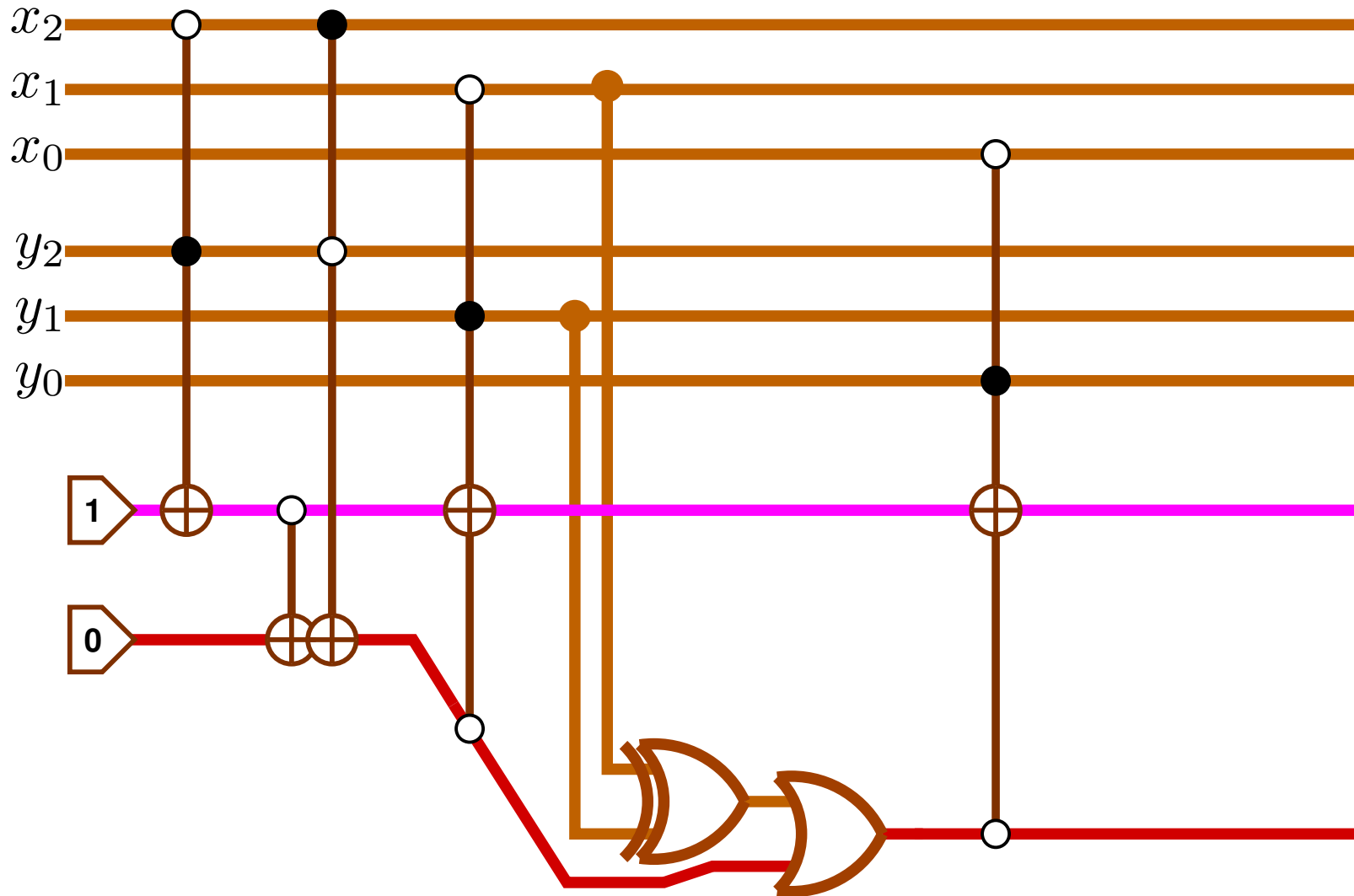
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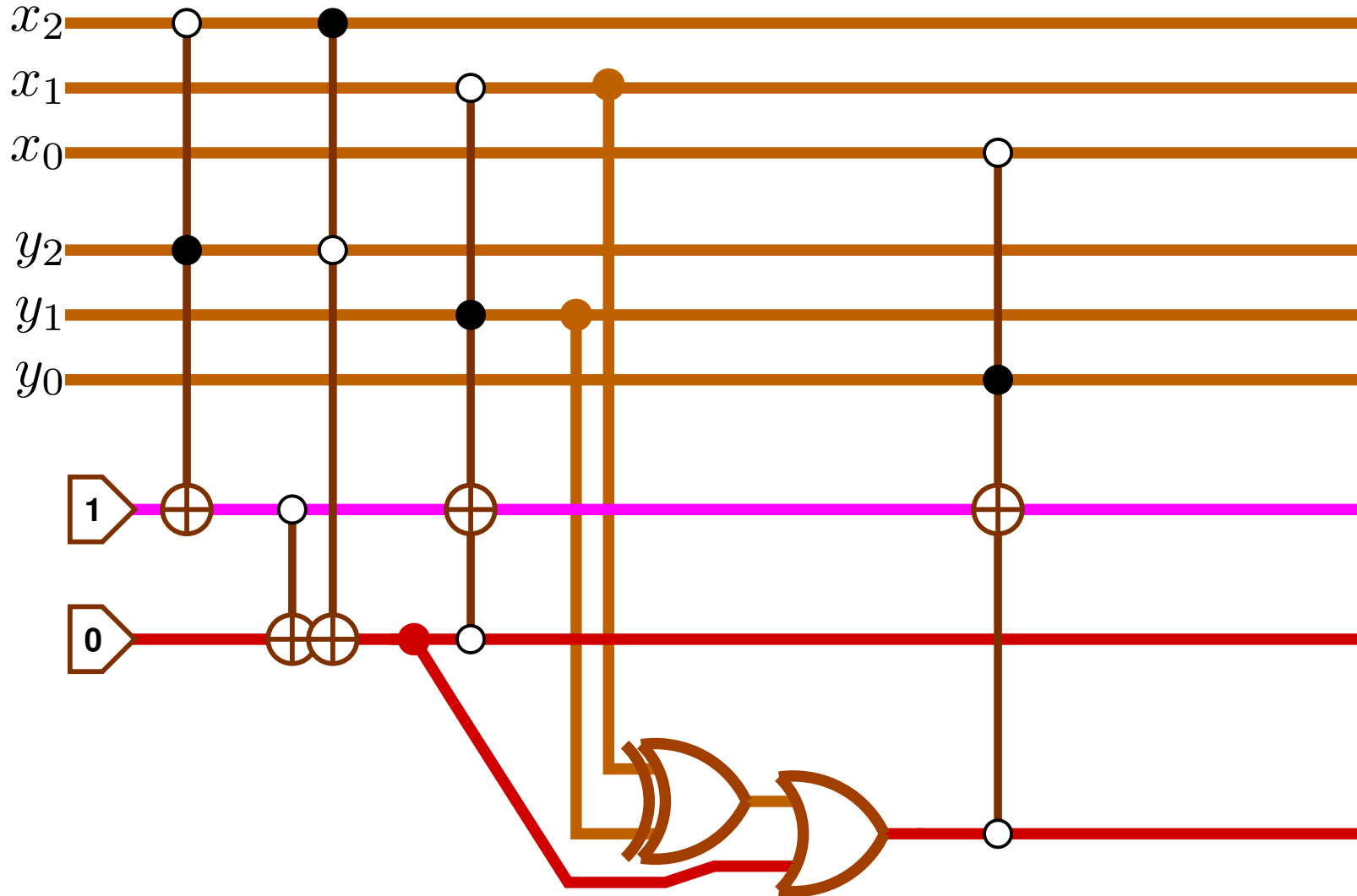
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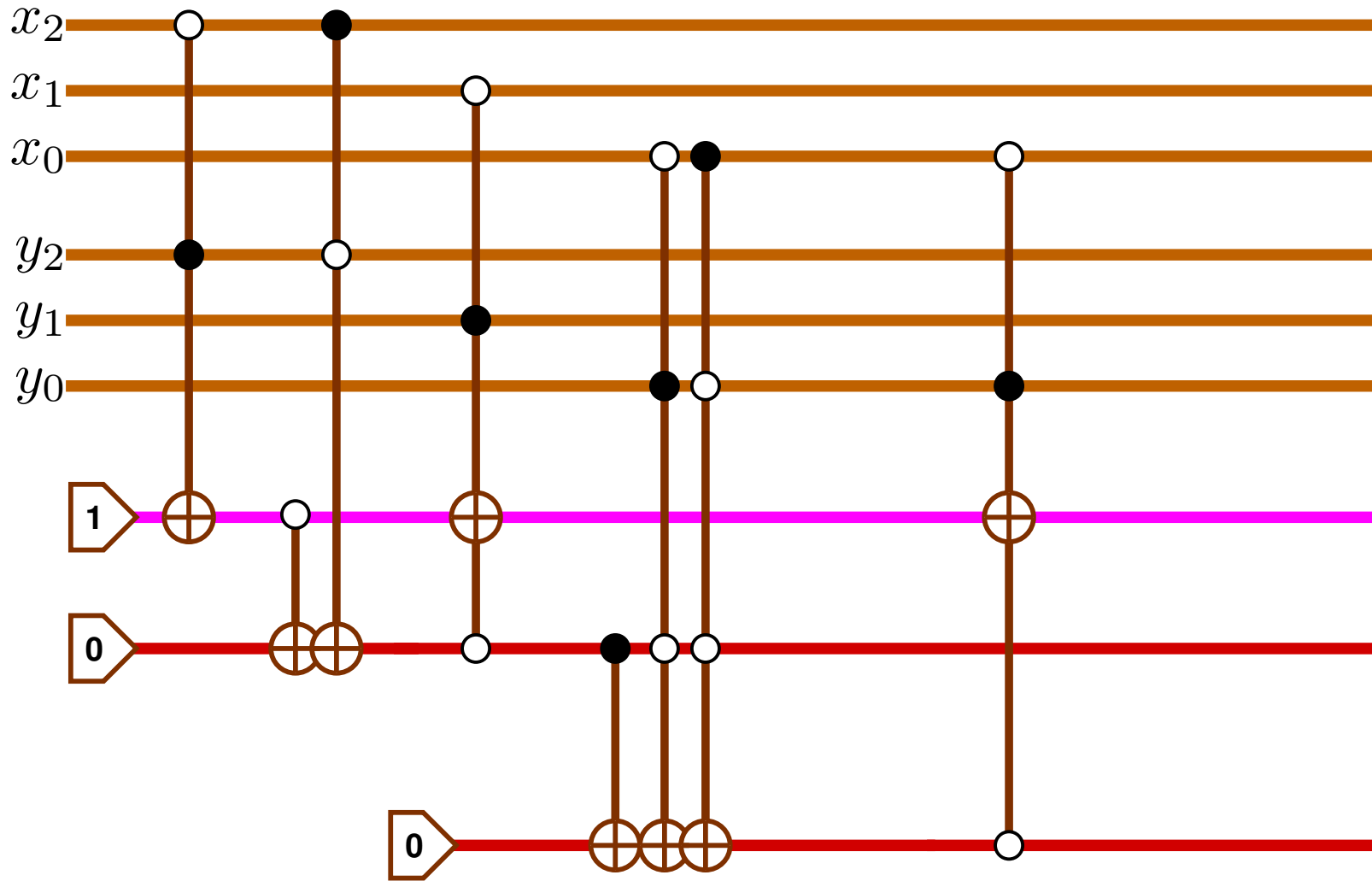
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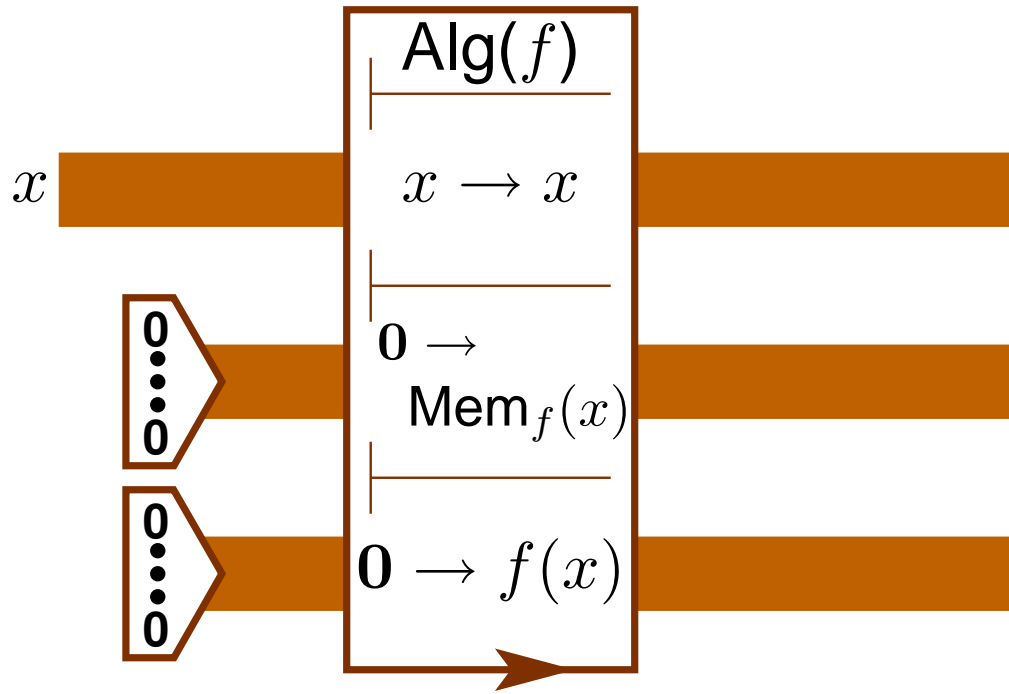
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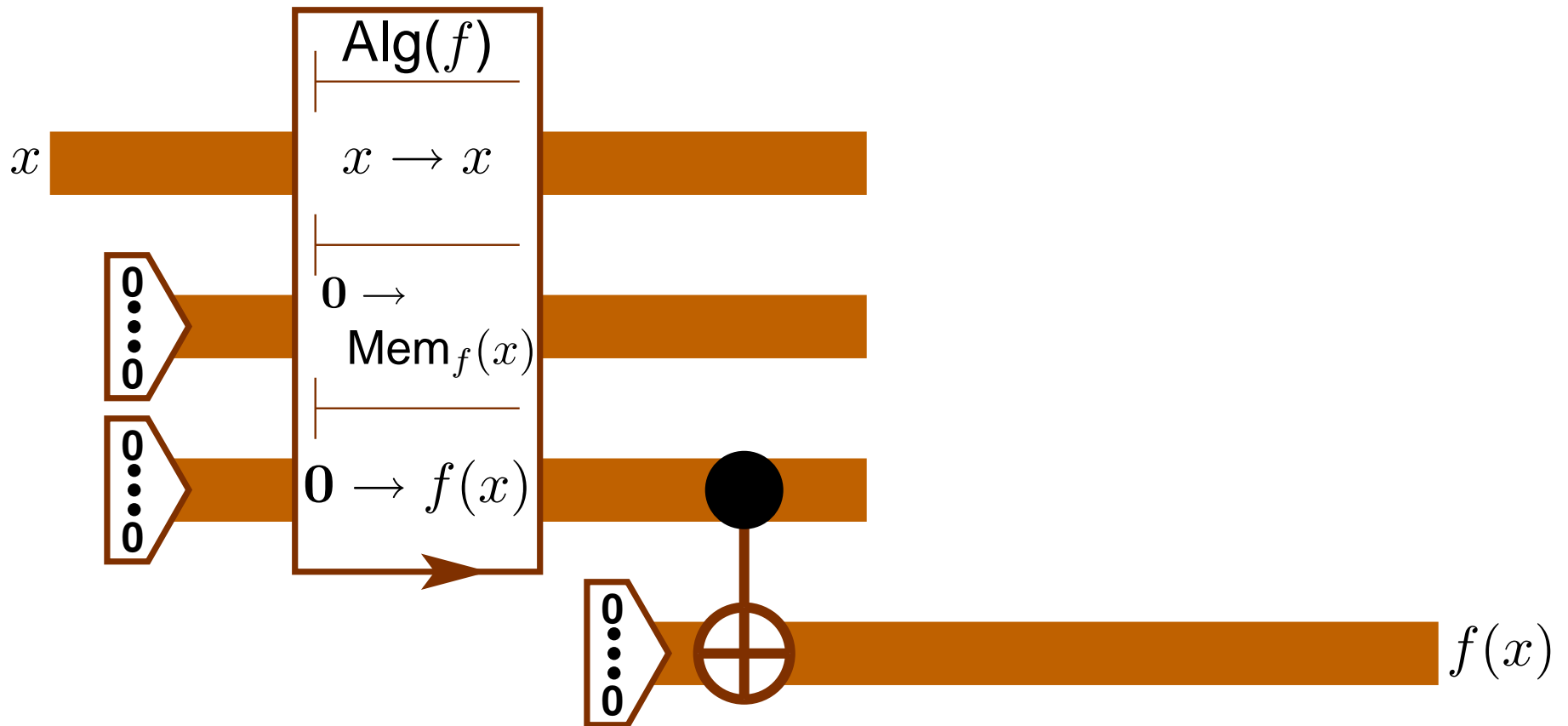


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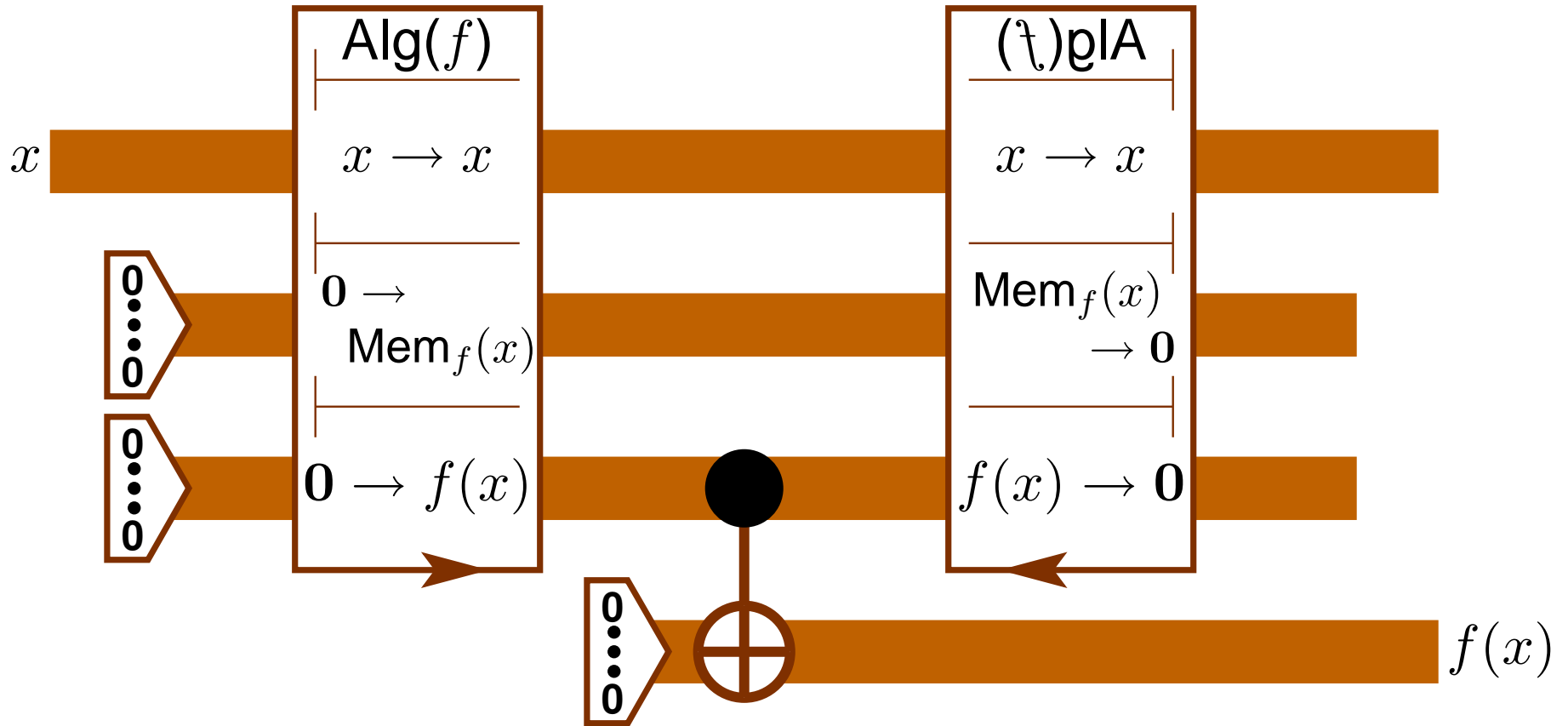
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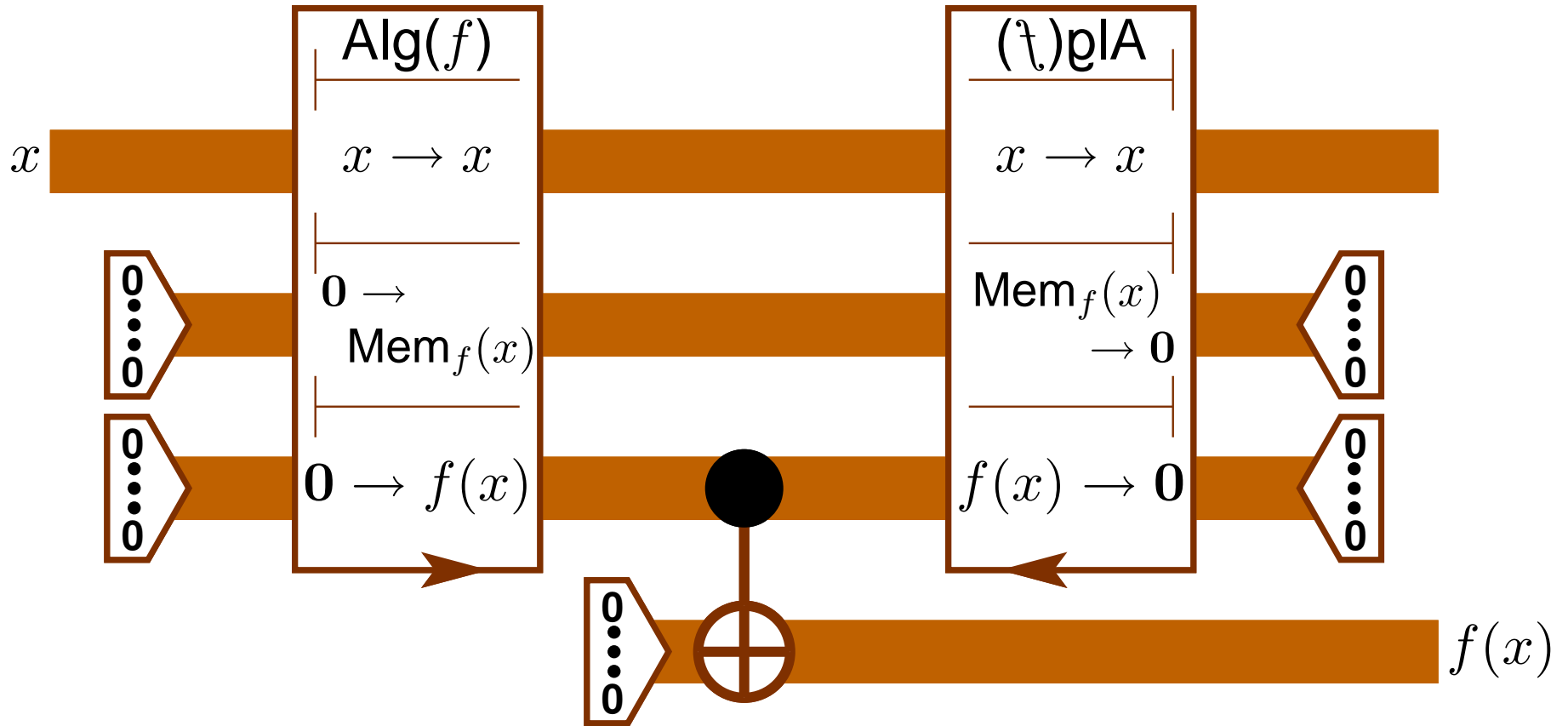
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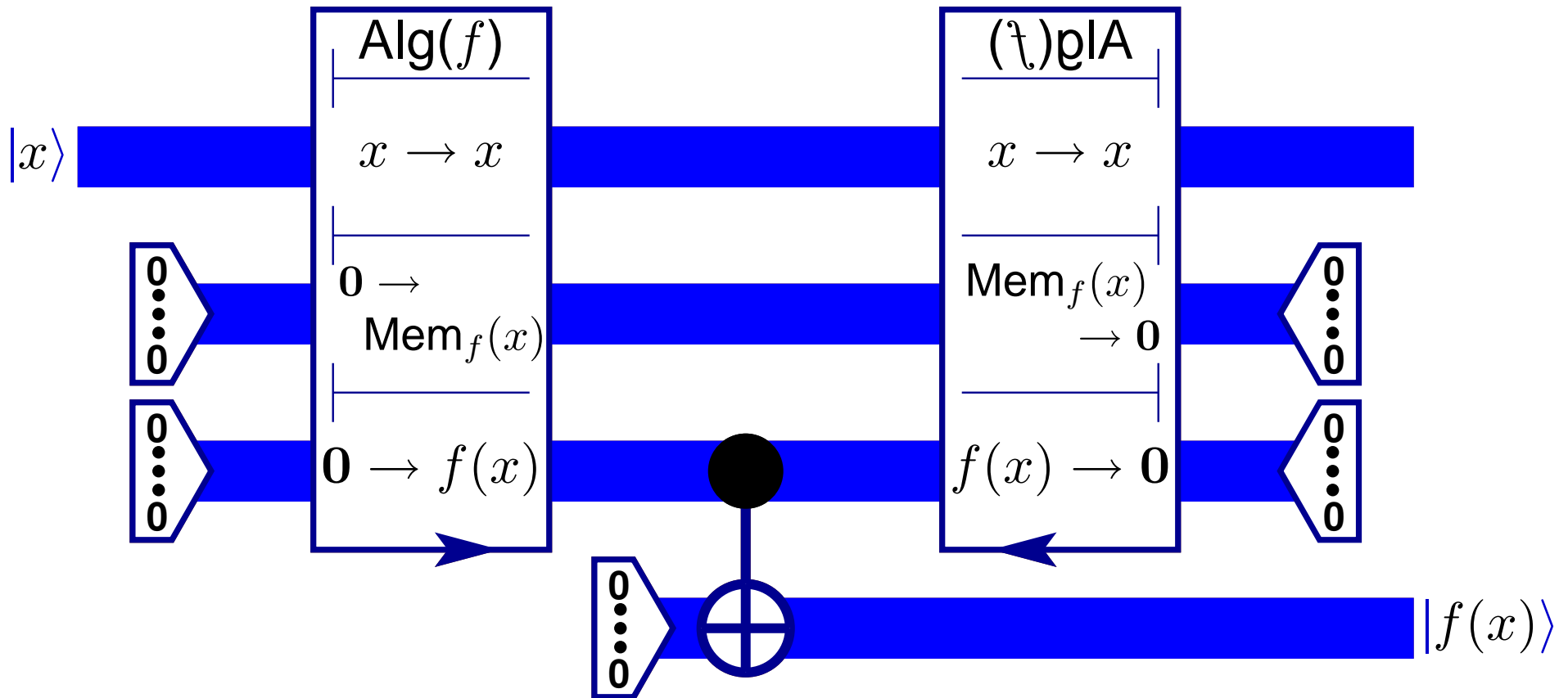
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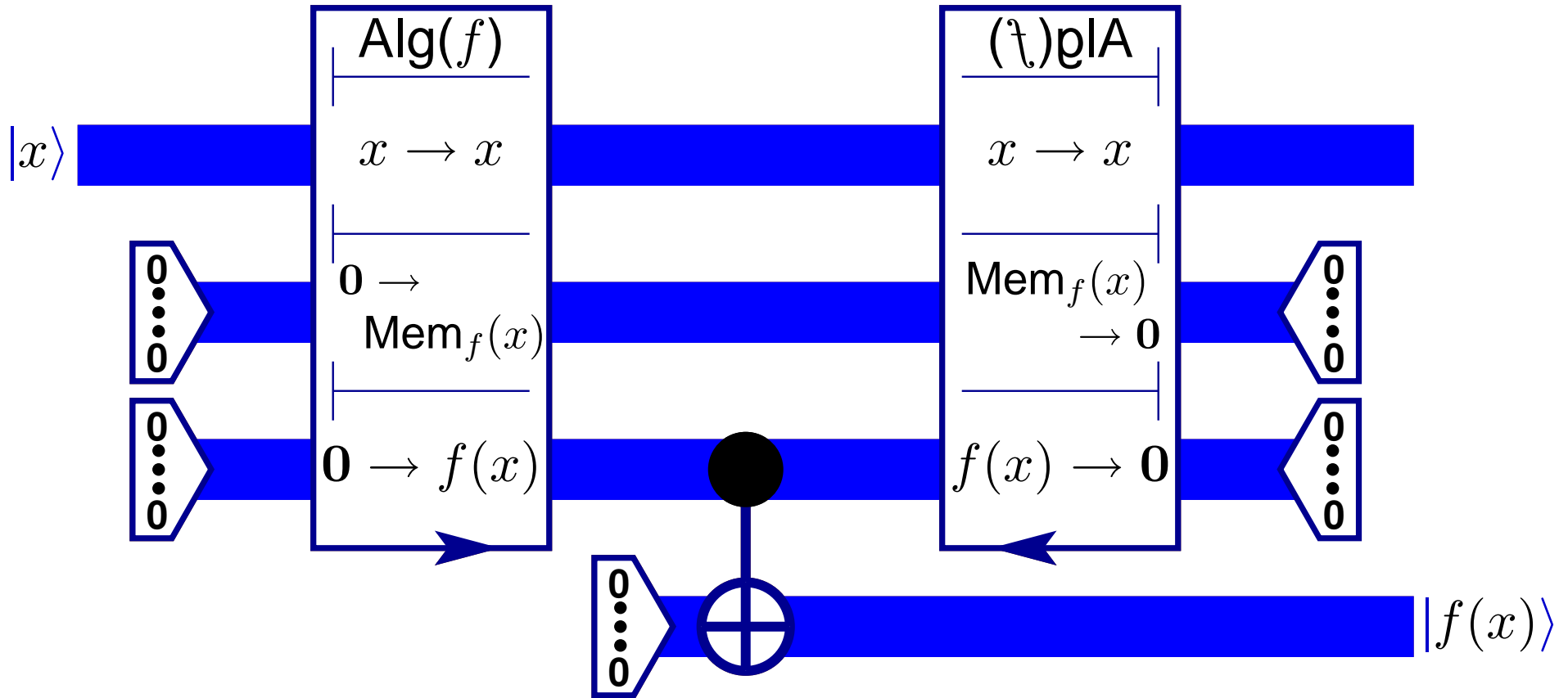
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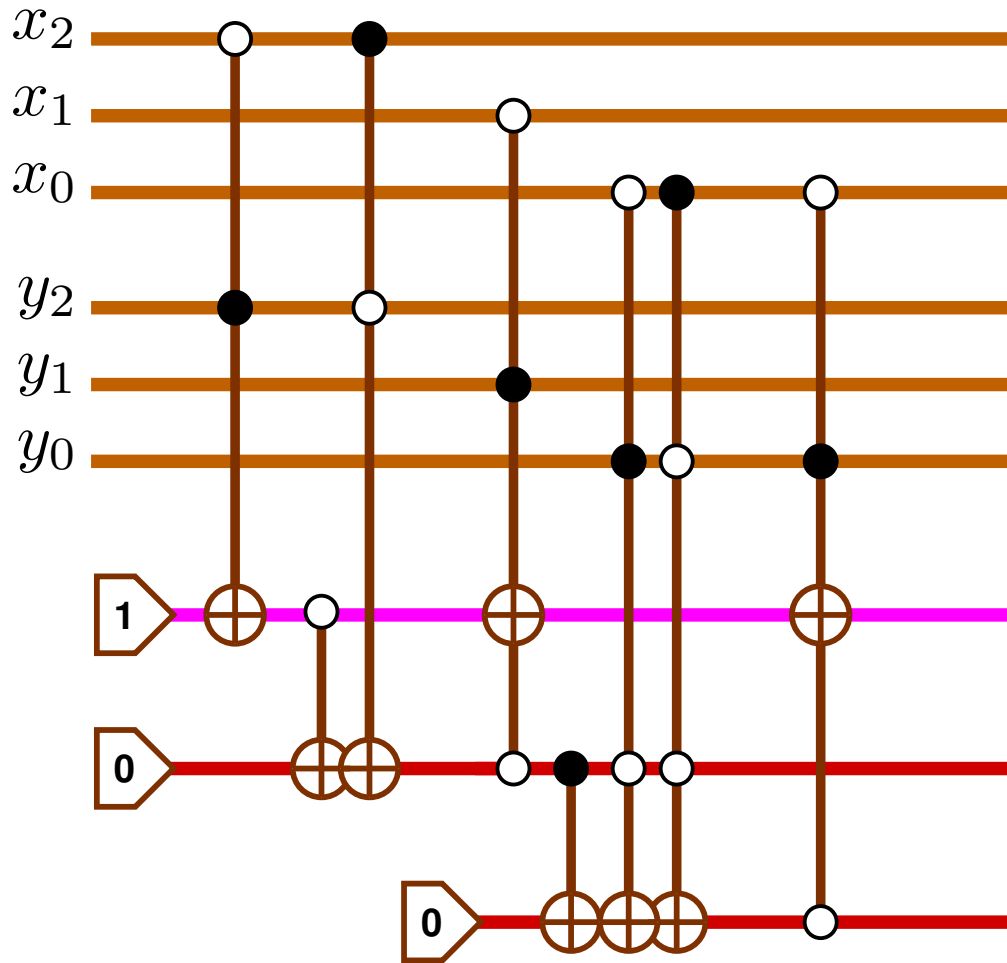
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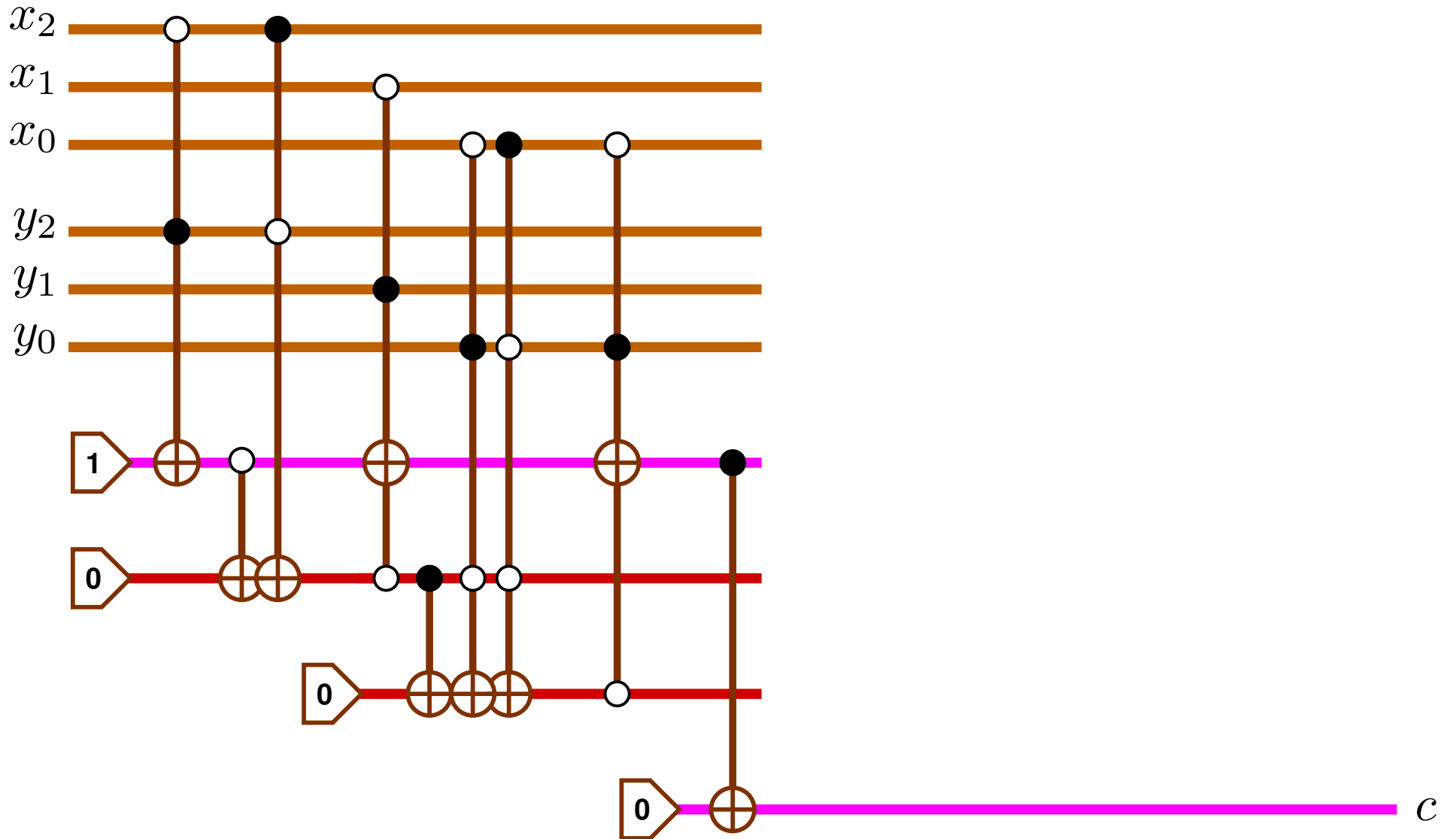
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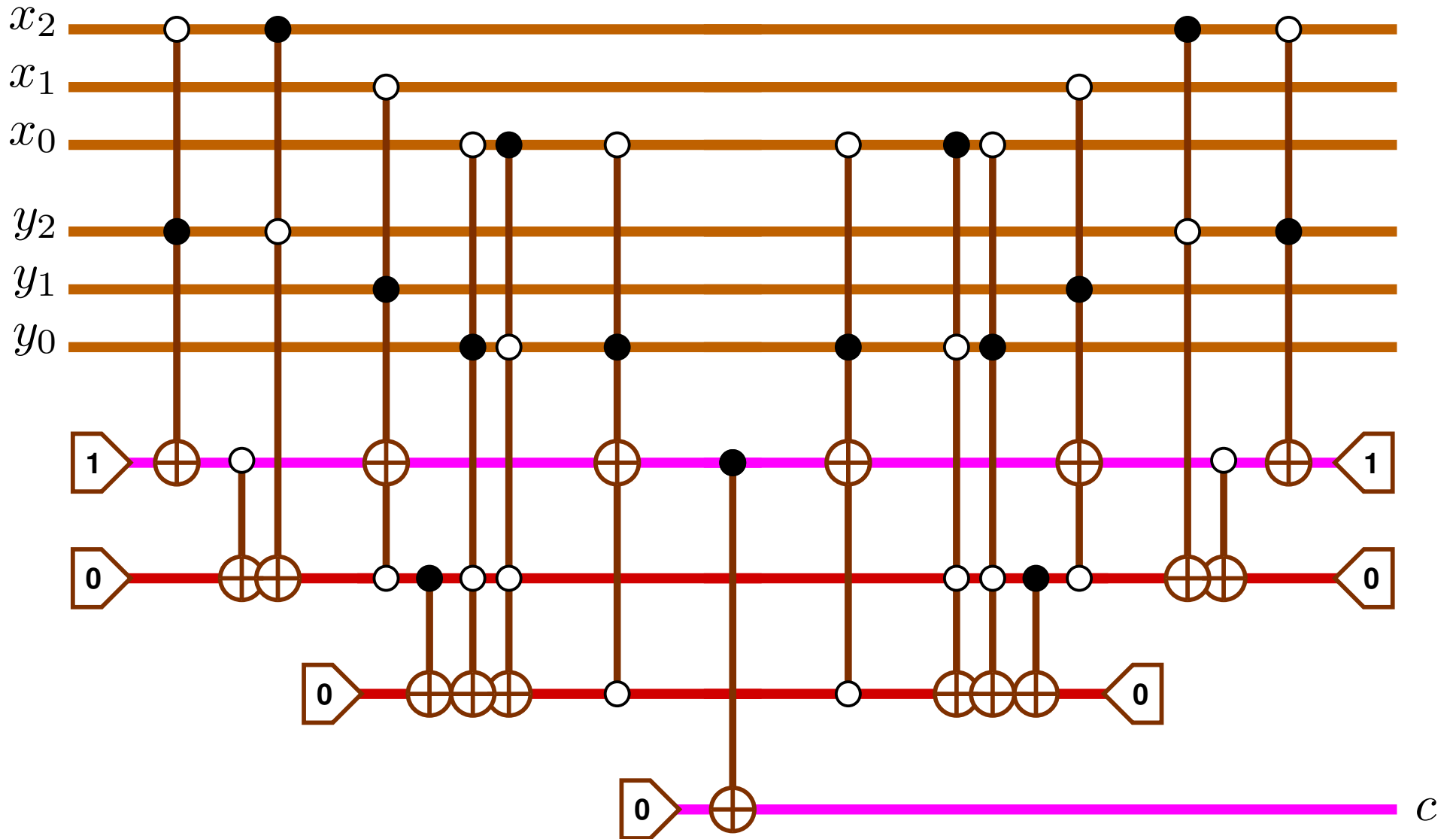


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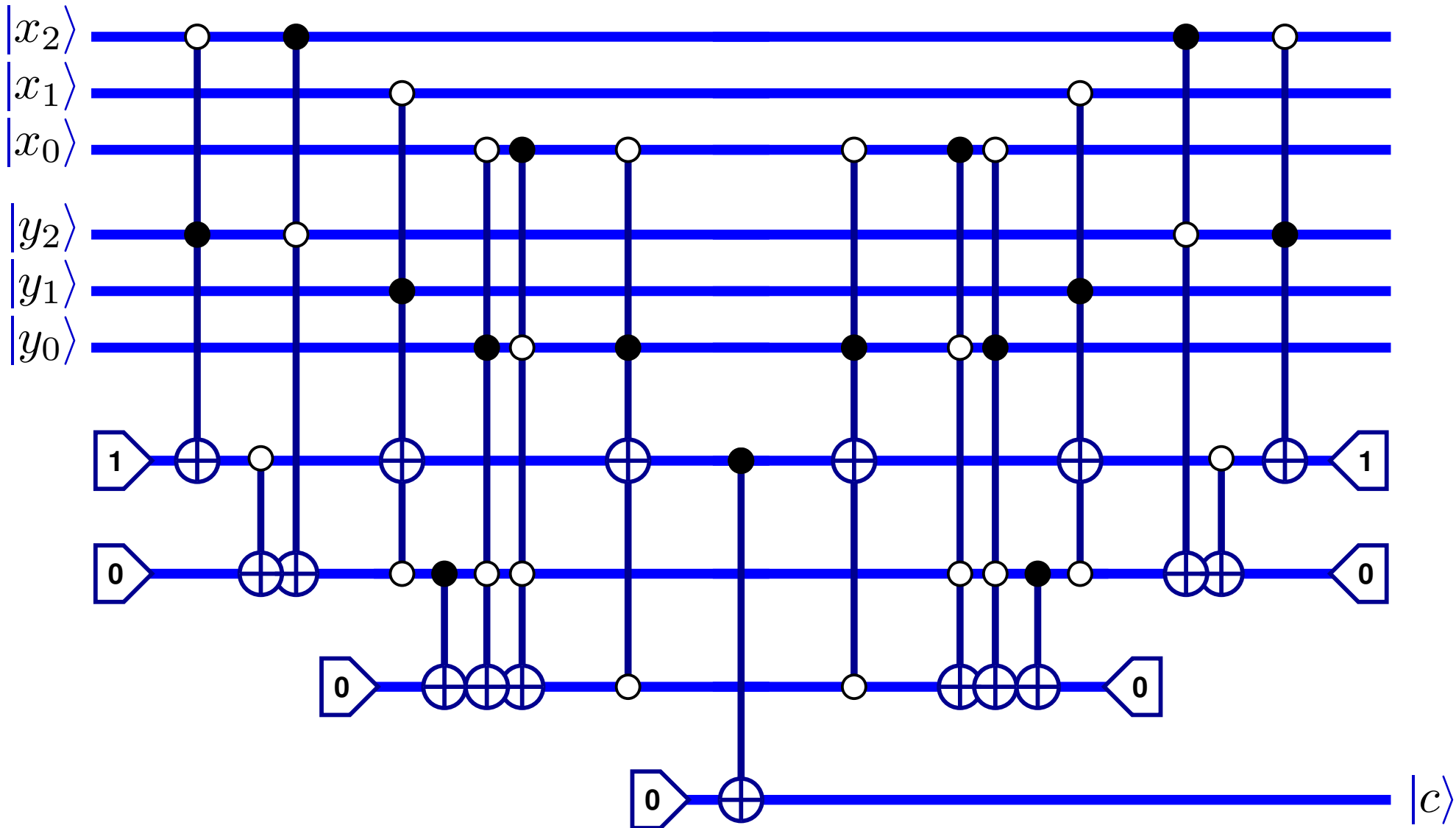




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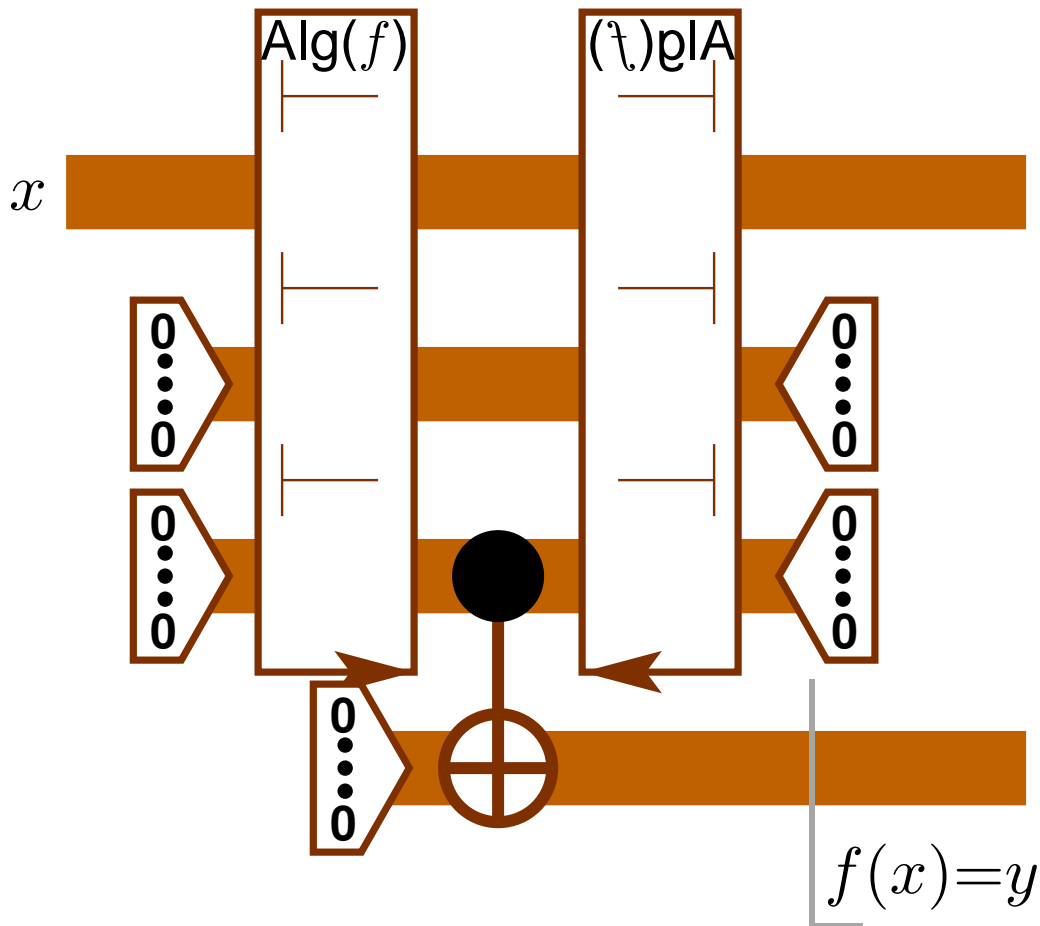
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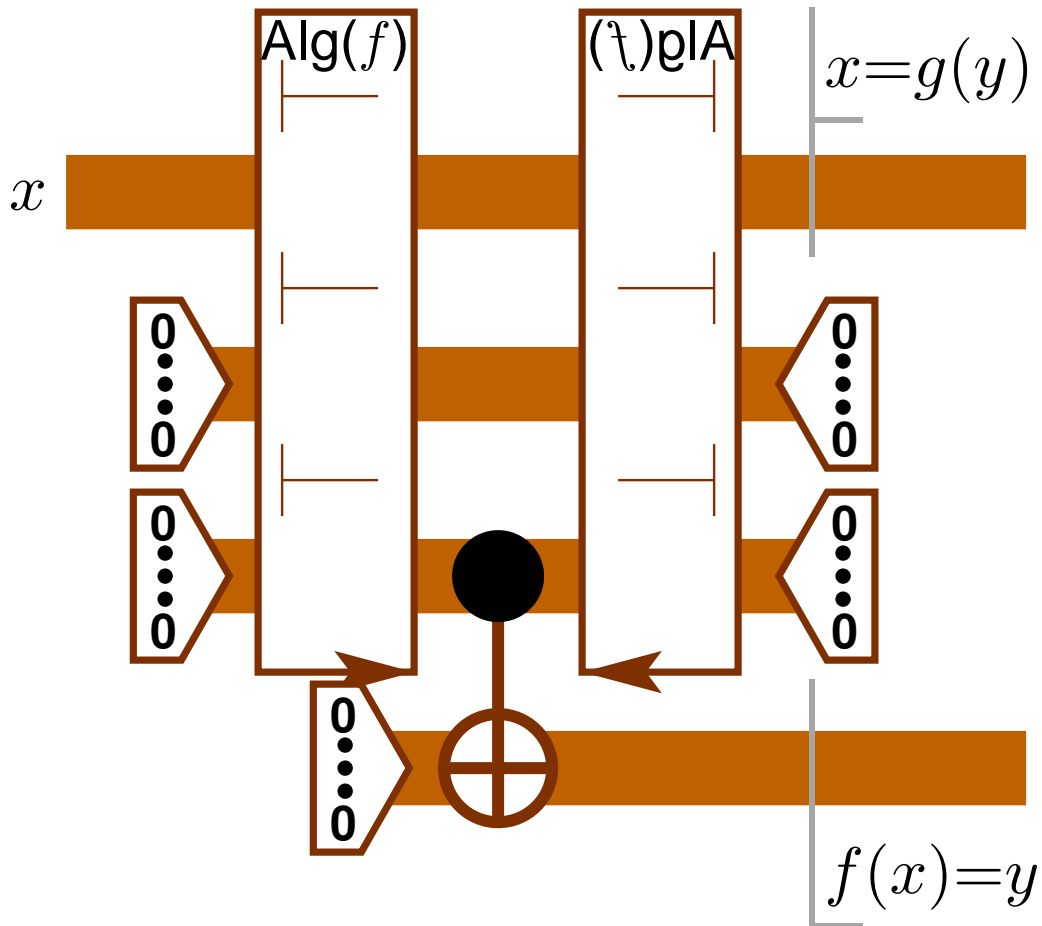
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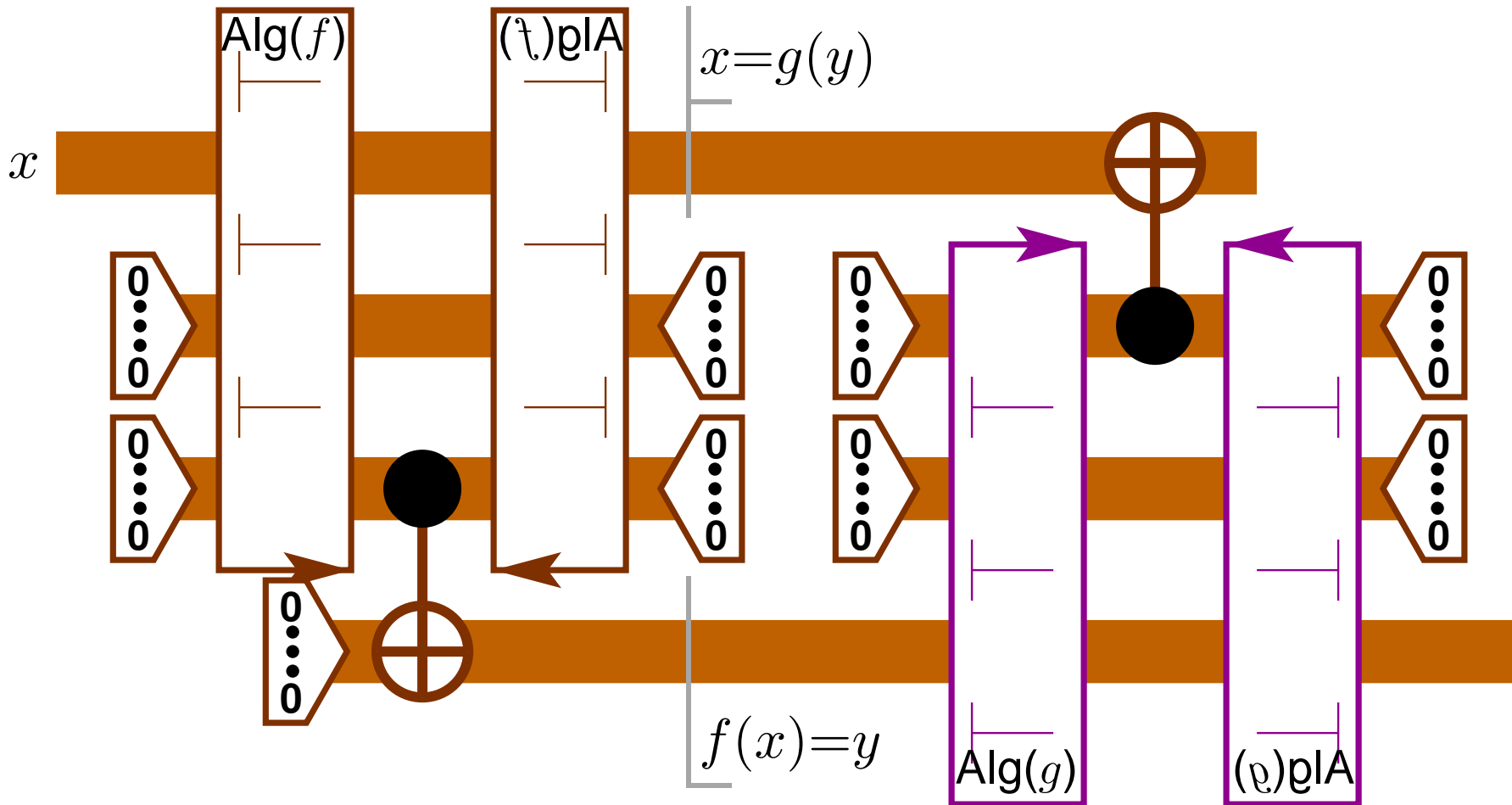
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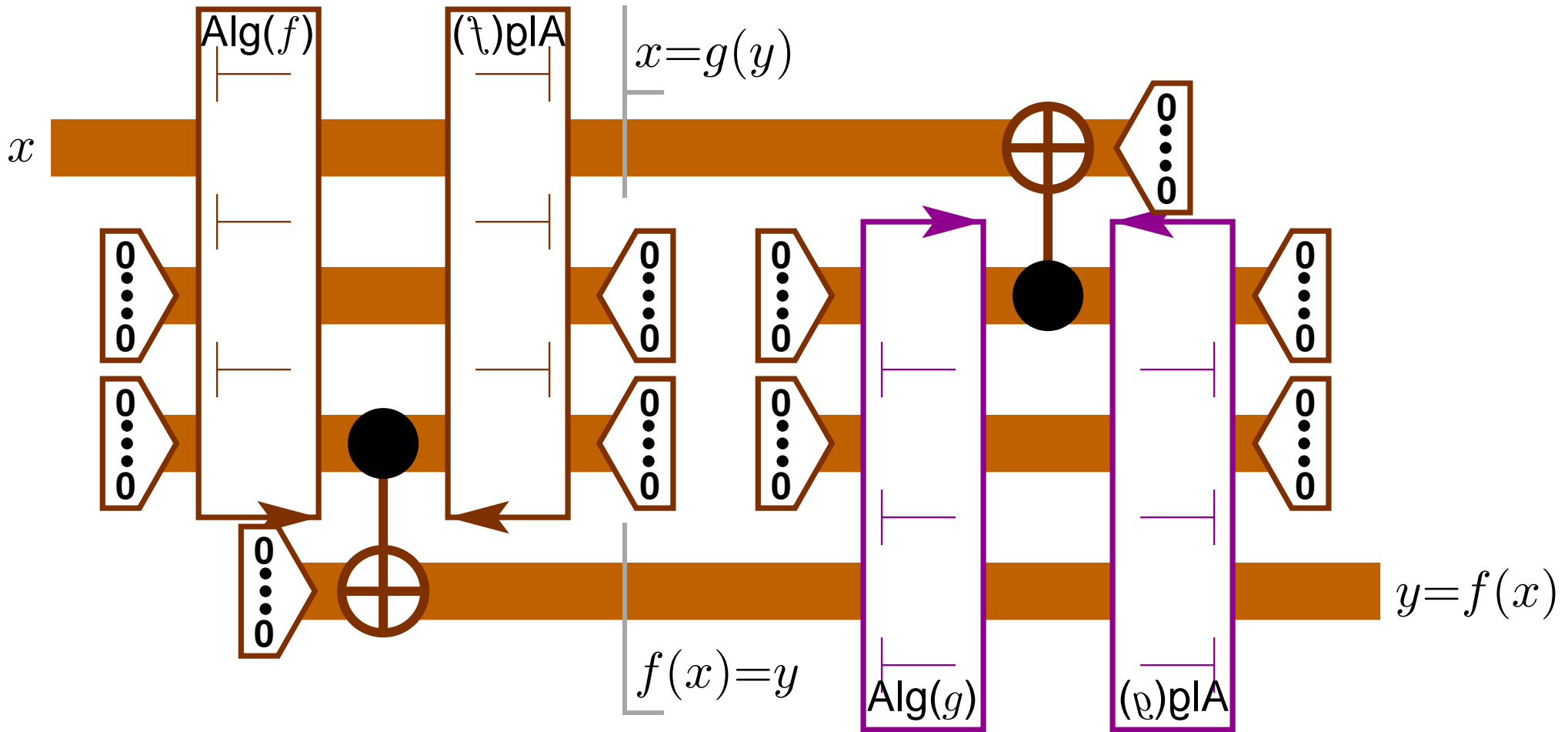
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