

Boolean logic

Introduction to Computer

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Boolean Algebra

Based on symbolic logic, designed by George Boole

Boolean variables take values as 0 or 1.

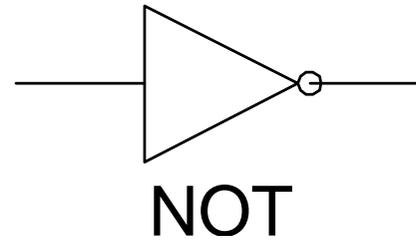
Boolean expressions created from:

- NOT, AND, OR

NOT

	\bar{X}	X'
X	$\neg X$	
F	T	
T	F	

Digital gate diagram for NOT:

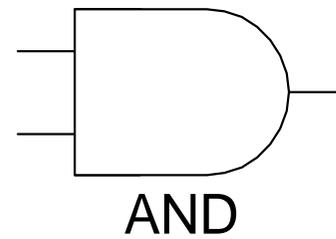


AND

$X \cdot Y$ XY

X	Y	$X \wedge Y$
F	F	F
F	T	F
T	F	F
T	T	T

Digital gate diagram for AND:

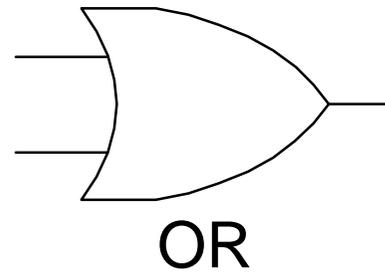


OR

$X+Y$

X	Y	$X \vee Y$
F	F	F
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Digital gate diagram for OR:



Operator Precedence

Examples showing the order of operations:
NOT > AND > OR

Expression	Order of Operations
$\neg X \vee Y$	NOT, then OR
$\neg(X \vee Y)$	OR, then NOT
$X \vee (Y \wedge Z)$	AND, then OR

Use parentheses to avoid ambiguity

Defining a function

Description: square of x minus 1

Algebraic form : x^2-1

Enumeration:

x	$f(x)$
1	0
2	3
3	8
4	15
5	24
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Defining a function

Description: number of days of the x -th month of a non-leap year

Algebraic form: ?

Enumeration:

x	$f(x)$
1	31
2	28
3	31
4	30
5	31
6	30
7	31
8	31
9	30
10	31
11	30
12	31

Truth Table

Truth table.

- Systematic method to describe Boolean function.
- One row for each possible input combination.
- N inputs $\Rightarrow 2^N$ rows.

x	y	x y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

AND truth table

Proving the equivalence of two functions

Prove that $x^2-1=(x+1)(x-1)$

Using algebra: (you need to follow some rules)

$$(x+1)(x-1) = x^2+x-x-1 = x^2-1$$

Using enumeration:

x	$(x+1)(x-1)$	x^2-1
1	0	0
2	3	3
3	8	8
4	15	15
5	24	24
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Important laws

$$x + 1 = 1$$

$$x + 0 = x$$

$$x + \bar{x} = 1$$

$$x \cdot 1 = x$$

$$x \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$x \cdot \bar{x} = 0$$

$$x + y = y + x$$

$$x + (y+z) = (x+y) + z$$

$$x \cdot y = y \cdot x$$

$$x \cdot (y \cdot z) = (x \cdot y) \cdot z$$

$$x \cdot (y+z) = xy + xz$$

DeMorgan Law

$$\overline{x \cdot y} = \bar{x} + \bar{y}$$

Simplifying Boolean Equations

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 $= B$

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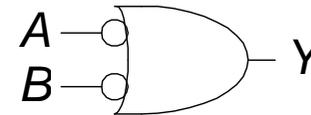
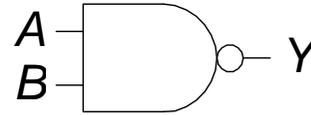
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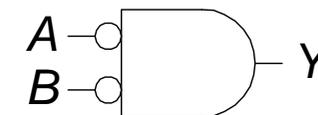
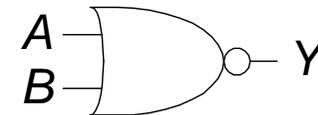
- $Y = A(AB + ABC)$
 $= A(AB(1 + C))$
 $= A(AB(1))$
 $= A(AB)$
 $= (AA)B$
 $= AB$

DeMorgan's Theorem

- $Y = \overline{AB} = \overline{A} + \overline{B}$



- $Y = \overline{A + B} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}$



Bubble Pushing

- **Backward:**

- Body changes
- Adds bubbles to inputs



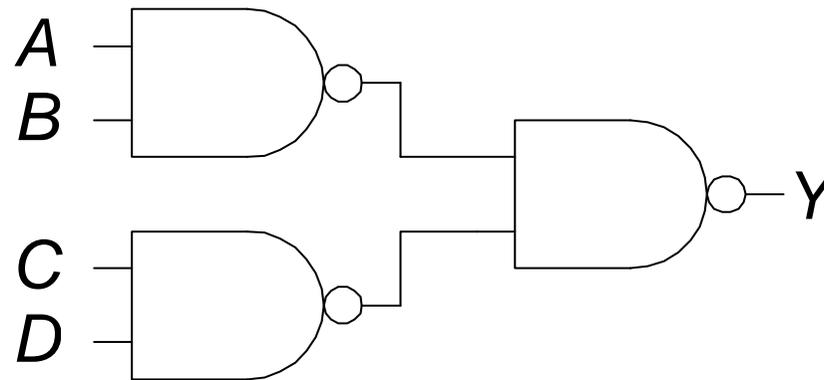
- **Forward:**

- Body changes
- Adds bubble to output



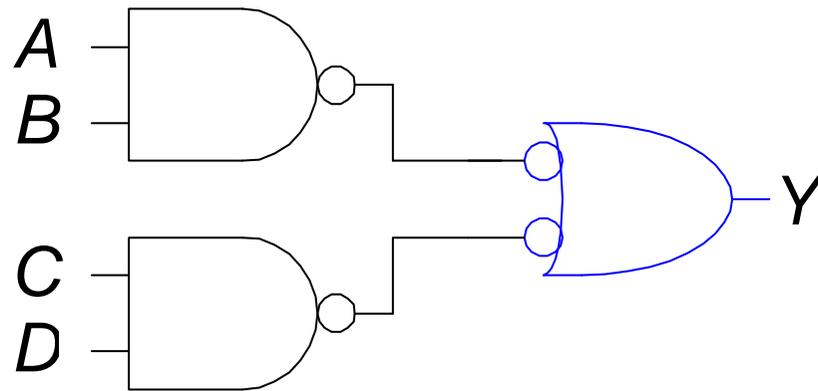
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- What is the Boolean expression for this circuit?



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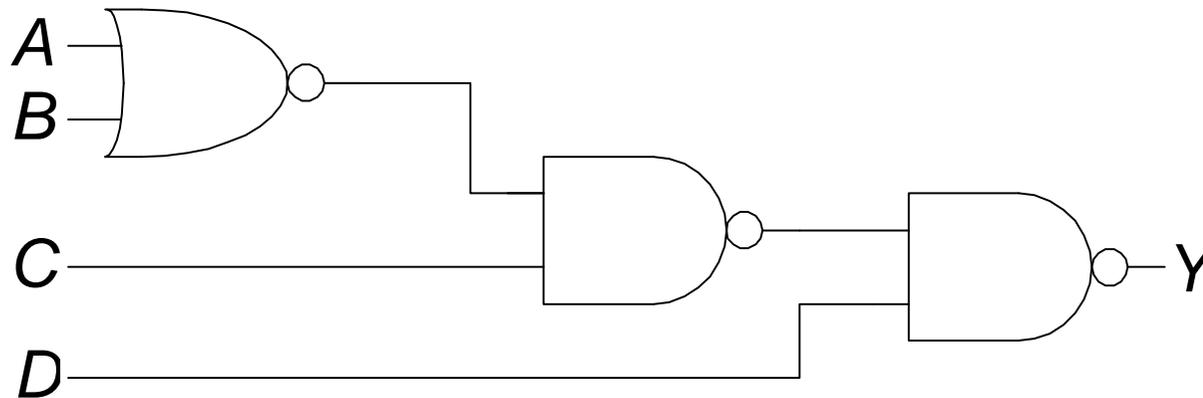
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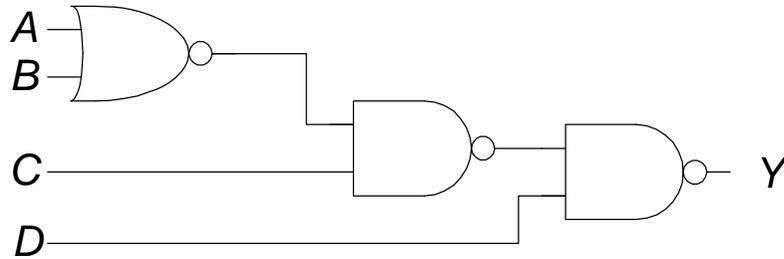
$$Y = AB + CD$$

Bubble Pushing Rules

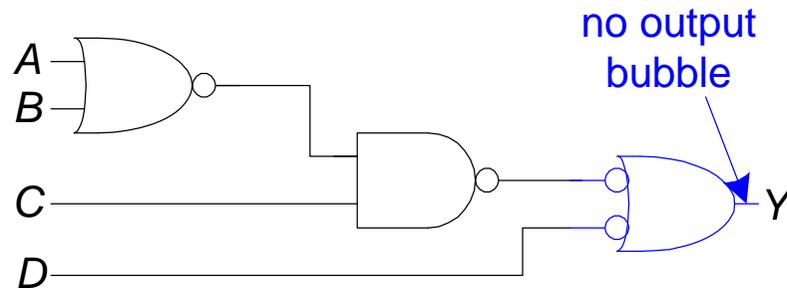
- Begin at output, then work toward inputs
- Push bubbles on final output back
- Draw gates in a form so bubbles cancel



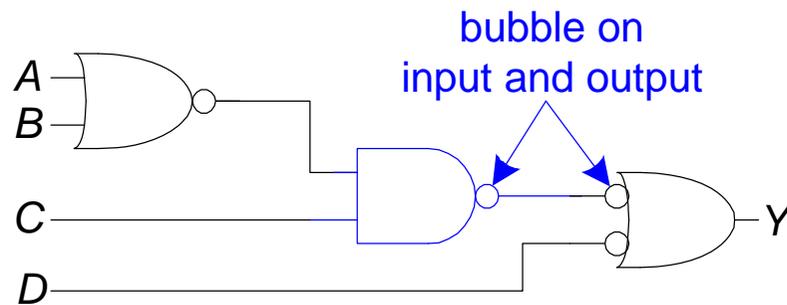
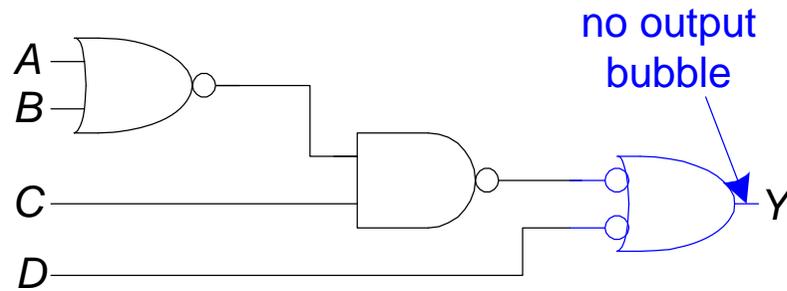
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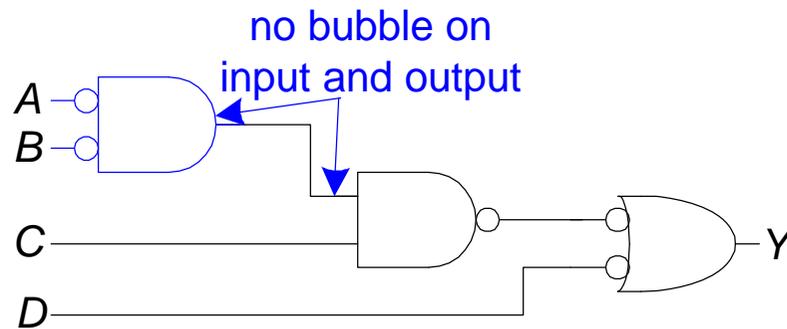
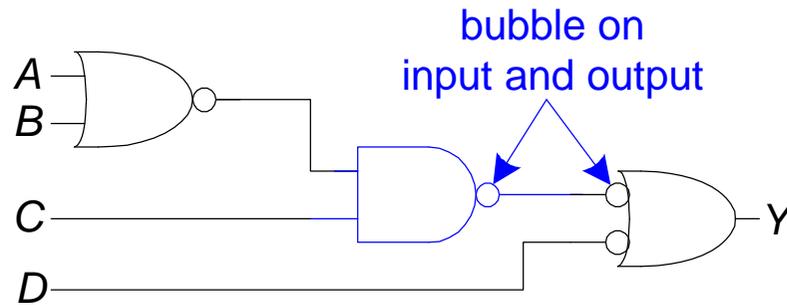
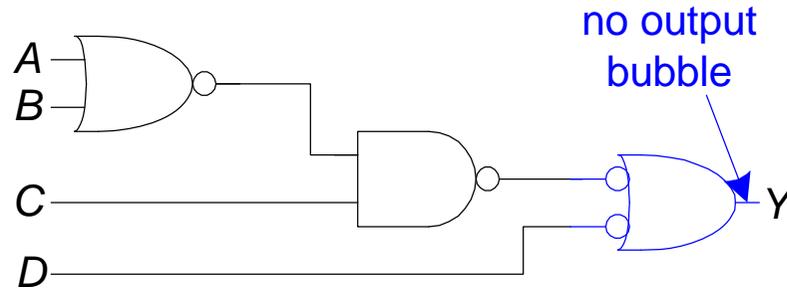
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$$Y = \overline{A}BC + \overline{D}$$

Truth Tables (1 of 3)

A Boolean function has one or more Boolean inputs, and returns a single Boolean output. A truth table shows all the inputs and outputs of a Boolean function

Example: $\neg X \vee Y$

X	$\neg X$	Y	$\neg X \vee Y$
F	T	F	T
F	T	T	T
T	F	F	F
T	F	T	T

Truth Tables (2 of 3)

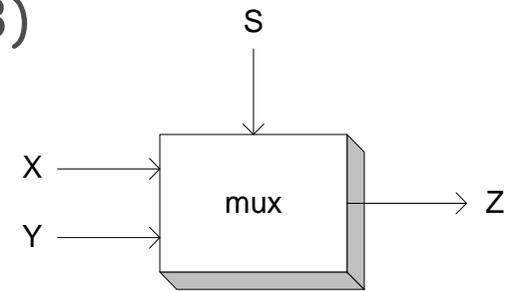
Example: $X \wedge \neg Y$

X	Y	$\neg Y$	$X \wedge \neg Y$
F	F	T	F
F	T	F	F
T	F	T	T
T	T	F	F

Truth Tables (3 of 3)

When $s=0$, return x ; otherwise, return y .

Example: $(Y \wedge S) \vee (X \wedge \neg S)$



Two-input multiplexer

X	Y	S	$Y \wedge S$	$\neg S$	$X \wedge \neg S$	$(Y \wedge S) \vee (X \wedge \neg S)$
F	F	F	F	T	F	F
F	T	F	F	T	F	F
T	F	F	F	T	T	T
T	T	F	F	T	T	T
F	F	T	F	F	F	F
F	T	T	T	F	F	T
T	F	T	F	F	F	F
T	T	T	T	F	F	T

Truth Table for Functions of 2 Variables

Truth table.

- 16 Boolean functions of 2 variables. every 4-bit value represents one

x	y	ZERO	AND		x		y	XOR	OR
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1

Truth table for all Boolean functions of 2 variables

x	y	NOR	EQ	y'		x'		NAND	ONE
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1

Truth table for all Boolean functions of 2 variables

All Boolean functions of 2 variables

Function	x	0	0	1	1
	y	0	1	0	1
Constant 0	0	0	0	0	0
And	$x \cdot y$	0	0	0	1
x And Not y	$x \cdot \bar{y}$	0	0	1	0
x	x	0	0	1	1
Not x And y	$\bar{x} \cdot y$	0	1	0	0
y	y	0	1	0	1
Xor	$x \cdot \bar{y} + \bar{x} \cdot y$	0	1	1	0
Or	$x + y$	0	1	1	1
Nor	$\overline{x + y}$	1	0	0	0
Equivalence	$x \cdot y + \bar{x} \cdot \bar{y}$	1	0	0	1
Not y	\bar{y}	1	0	1	0
If y then x	$x + \bar{y}$	1	0	1	1
Not x	\bar{x}	1	1	0	0
If x then y	$\bar{x} + y$	1	1	0	1
Nand	$\overline{x \cdot y}$	1	1	1	0
Constant 1	1	1	1	1	1

Truth Table for Functions of 3 Variables

Truth table.

- 16 Boolean functions of 2 variables. every 4-bit value represents one
- 256 Boolean functions of 3 variables. every 8-bit value represents one
- $2^{(2^n)}$ Boolean functions of n variables! every 2^n -bit value represents one

x	y	z	AND	OR	MAJ	ODD
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1

some functions of 3 variables

Sum-of-Products

Sum-of-products. Systematic procedure for representing a Boolean function using AND, OR, NOT.

proves that { AND, OR, NOT } are universal

- Form AND term for each 1 in Boolean function.
- OR terms together.

x	y	z	MAJ	$x'yz$	$xy'z$	xyz'	xyz	$x'yz + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1

expressing MAJ using sum-of-products

Universality of AND, OR, NOT

Fact. Any Boolean function can be expressed using AND, OR, NOT.

- { AND, OR, NOT } are **universal**.
- Ex: $XOR(x,y) = xy' + x'y$.

Notation	Meaning
x'	NOT x
$x y$	x AND y
$x + y$	x OR y

Expressing XOR Using AND, OR, NOT

x	y	x'	y'	$x'y$	xy'	$x'y + xy'$	x XOR y
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Exercise. Show {AND, NOT}, {OR, NOT}, {NAND}, {NOR} are universal.

Hint. DeMorgan's law: $(x'y) = x + y$.

From Math to Real-World implementation

We can implement any Boolean function using NAND gates only.

We talk about abstract Boolean algebra (logic) so far.

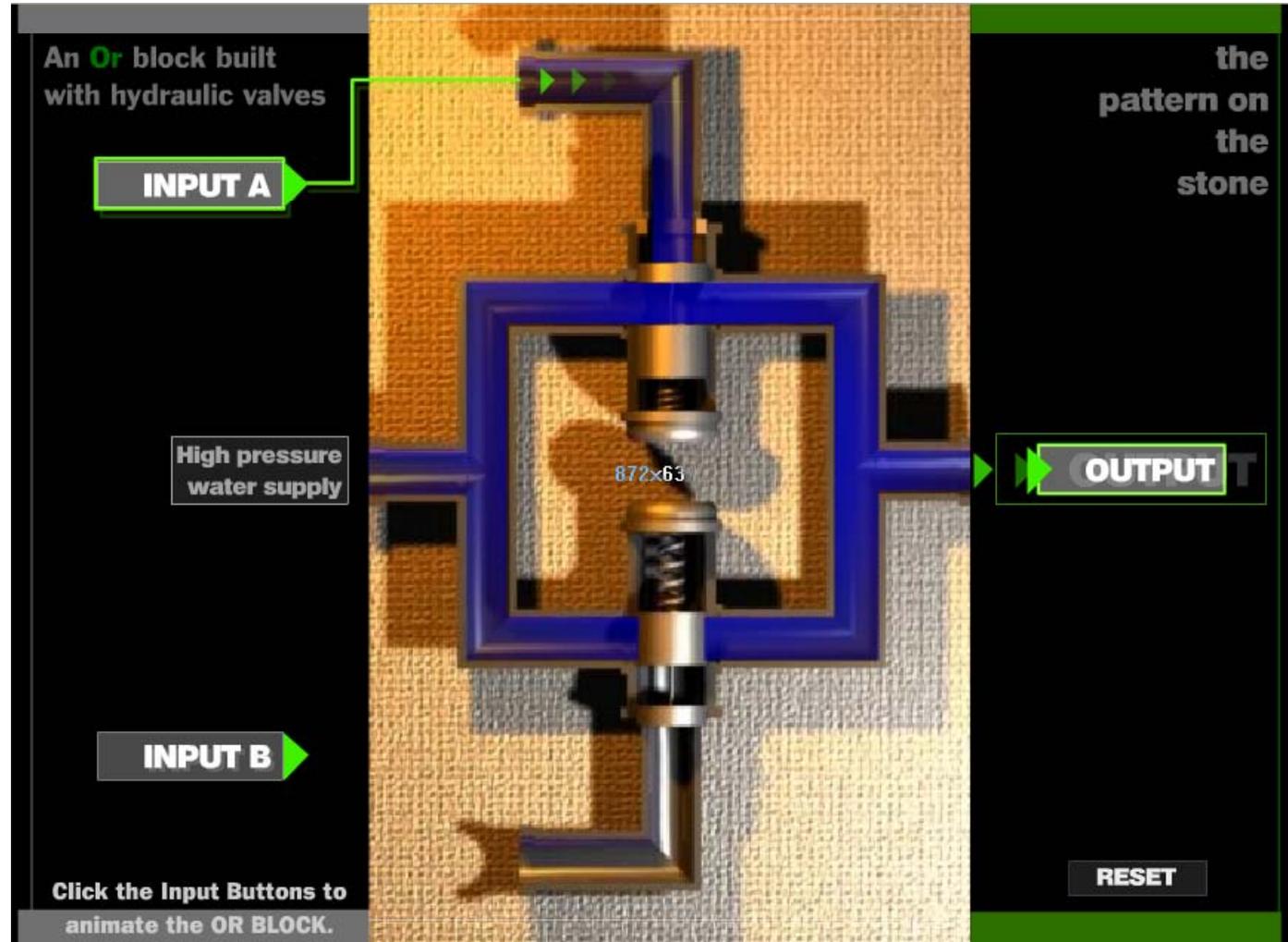
Is it possible to realize it in real world?

The technology needs to permit switching and conducting. It can be built using magnetic, optical, biological, hydraulic and pneumatic mechanism.

Implementation of gates

Fluid switch

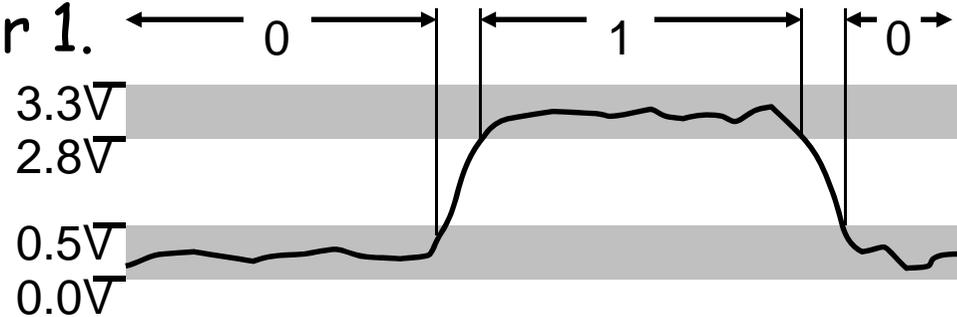
(<http://www.cs.princeton.edu/introcs/lectures/fluid-computer.swf>)



Digital Circuits

What is a digital system?

- Analog: signals vary continuously.
- Digital: signals are 0 or 1.



Why digital systems?

- Accuracy and reliability.
- Staggeringly fast and cheap.

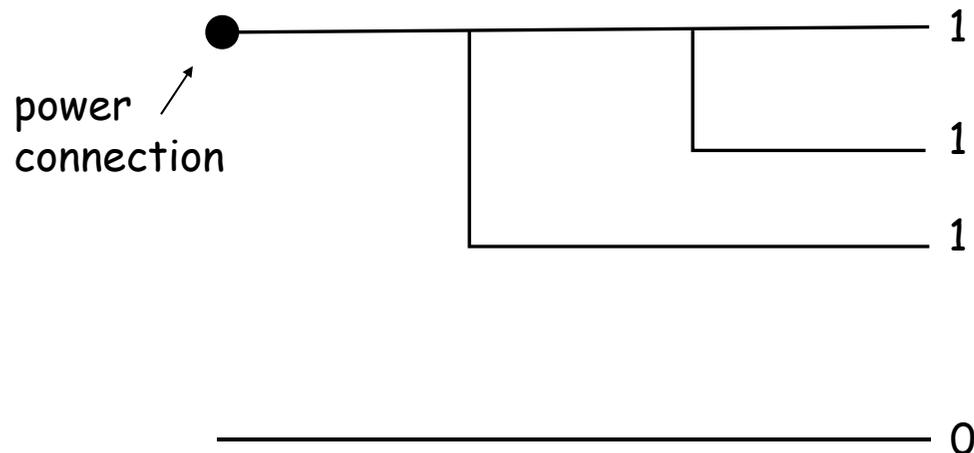
Basic abstractions.

- On, off.
- Wire: propagates on/off value.
- Switch: controls propagation of on/off values through wires.

Wires

Wires.

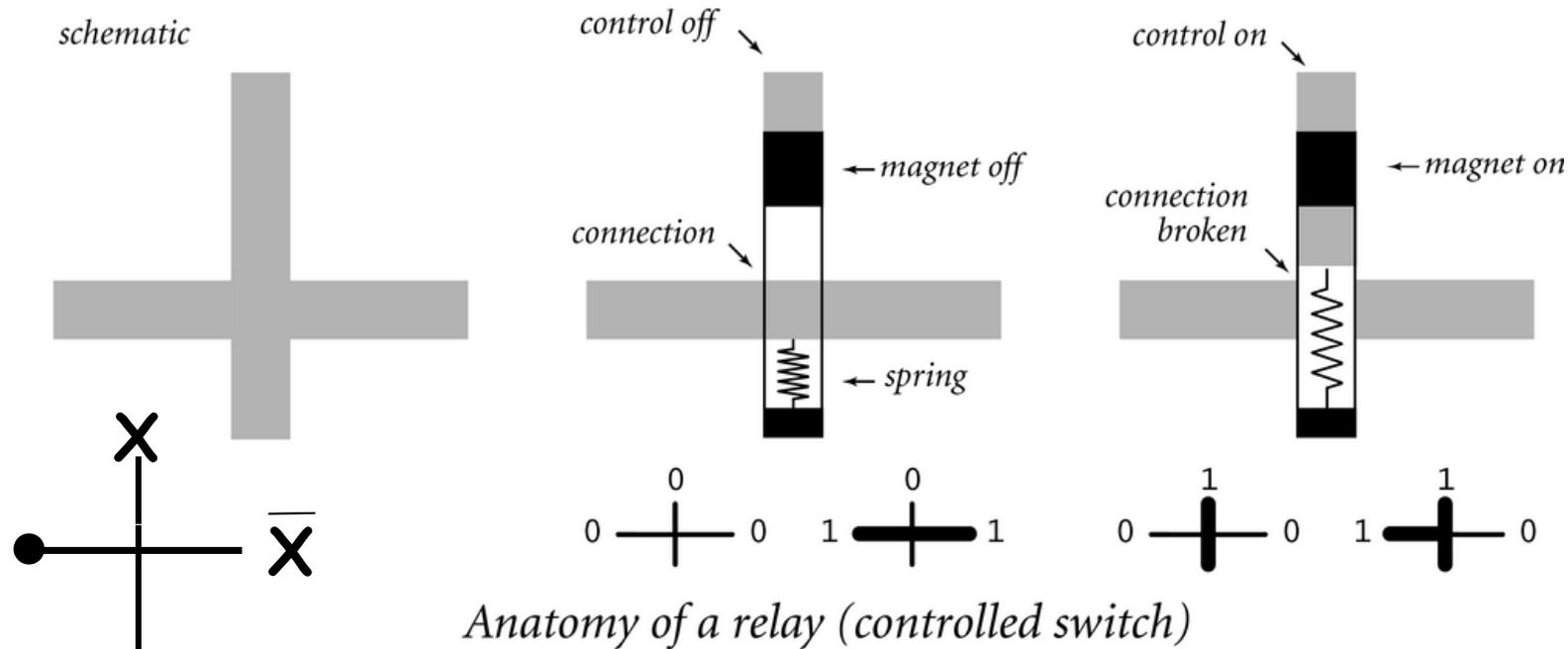
- On (1): connected to power.
- Off (0): not connected to power.
- If a wire is connected to a wire that is on, that wire is also on.
- Typical drawing convention: "flow" from top, left to bottom, right.



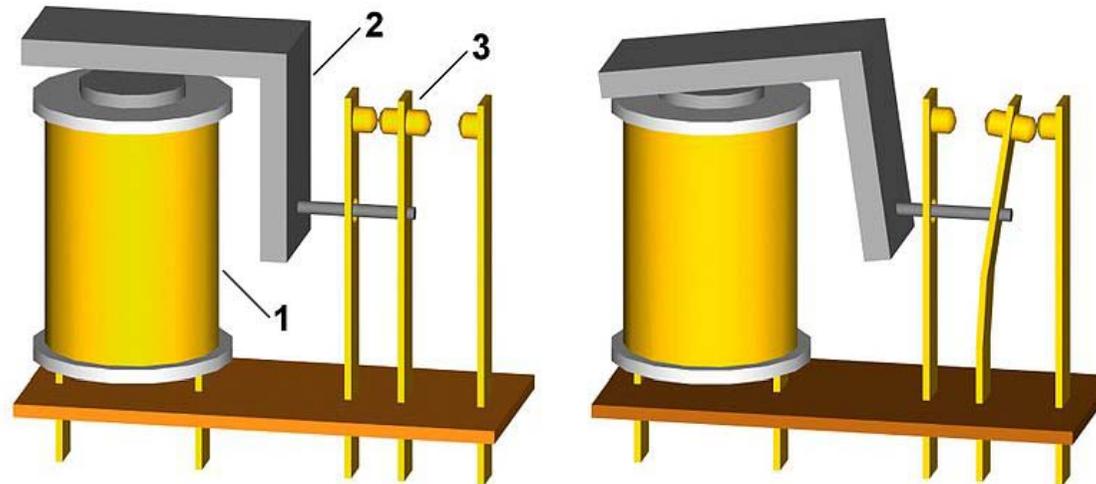
Controlled Switch

Controlled switch. [relay implementation]

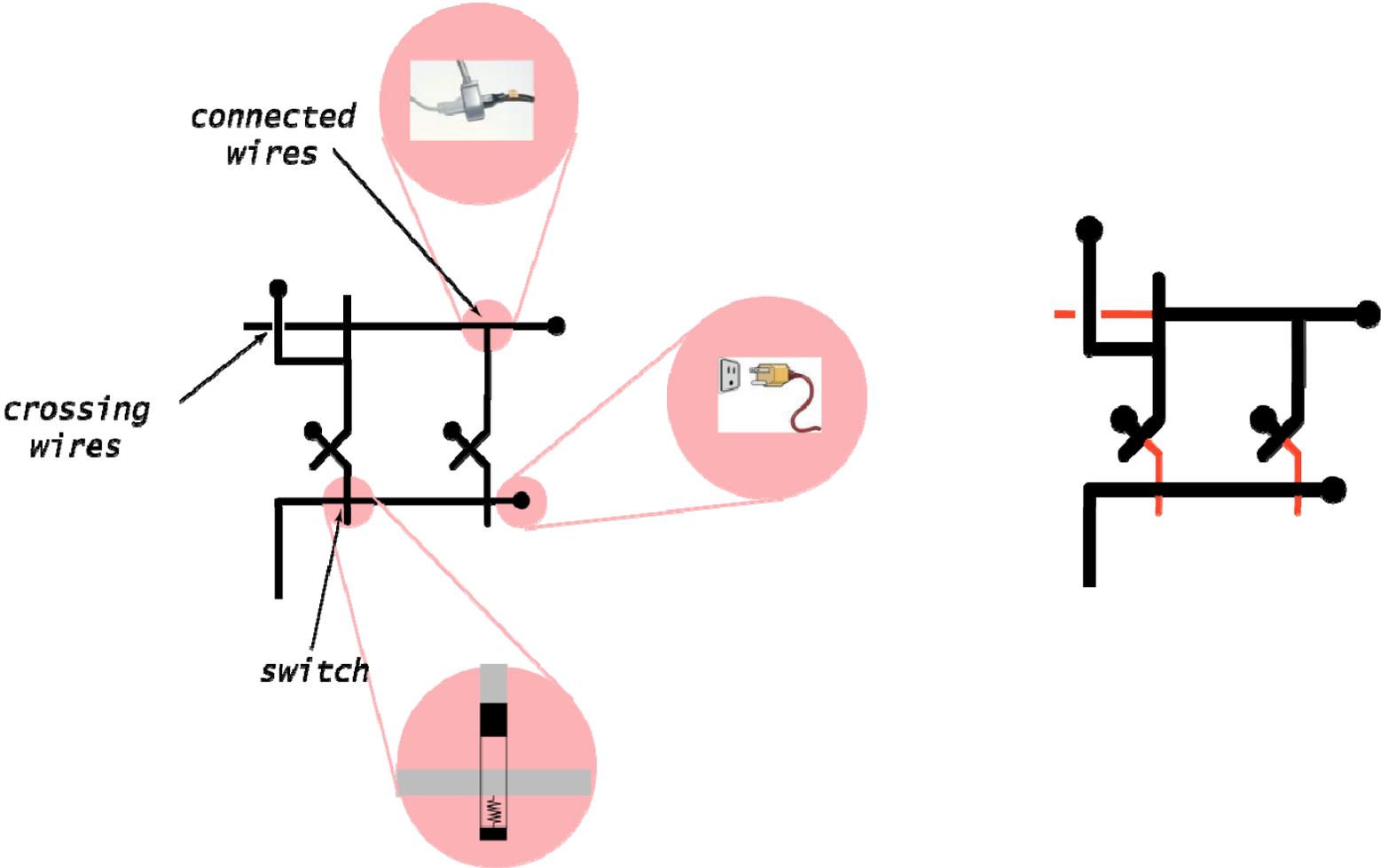
- 3 connections: input, output, control.
- Magnetic force pulls on a contact that cuts electrical flow.
- Control wire affects output wire, but output does not affect control; establishes forward flow of information over time.



Relay



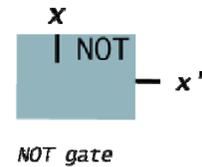
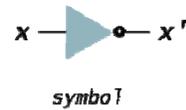
Circuit Anatomy



Logic Gates: Fundamental Building Blocks

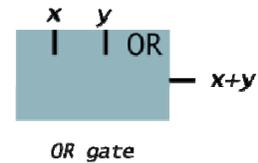
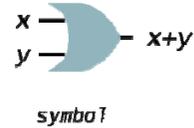
NOT = x'

x	NOT
0	1
1	0



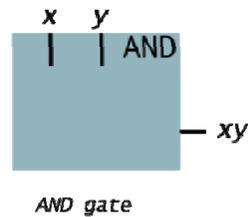
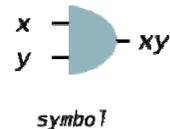
OR = $x+y$

x	y	OR
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1



AND = xy

x	y	AND
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



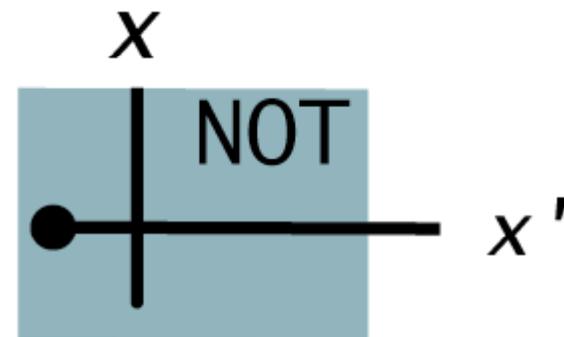
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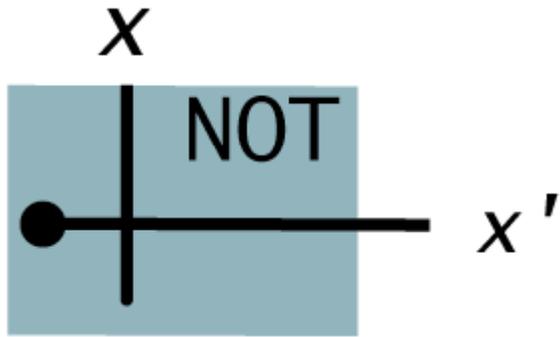


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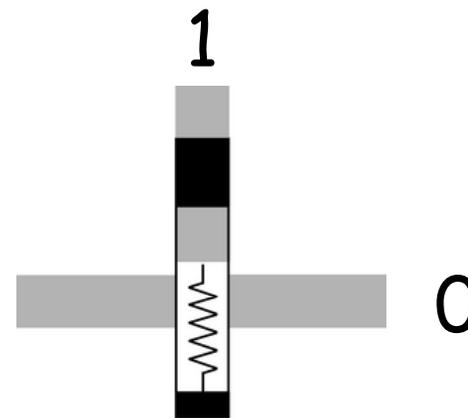
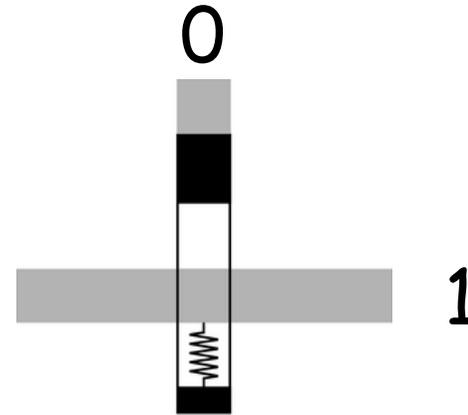
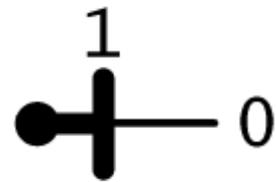
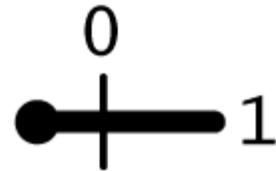
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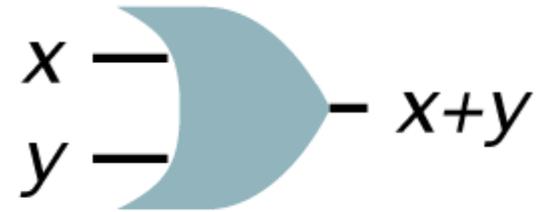
x	NOT
0	1
1	0



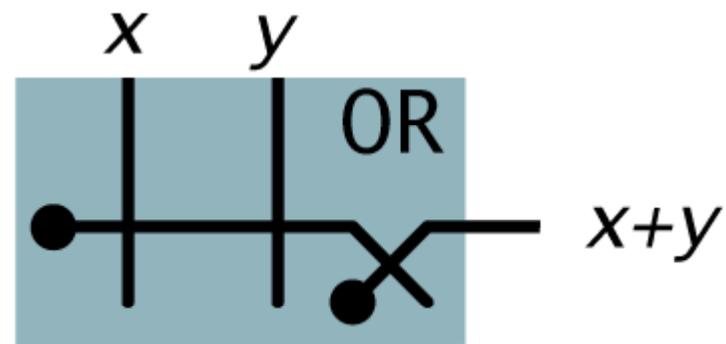
OR

$$OR = x+y$$

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

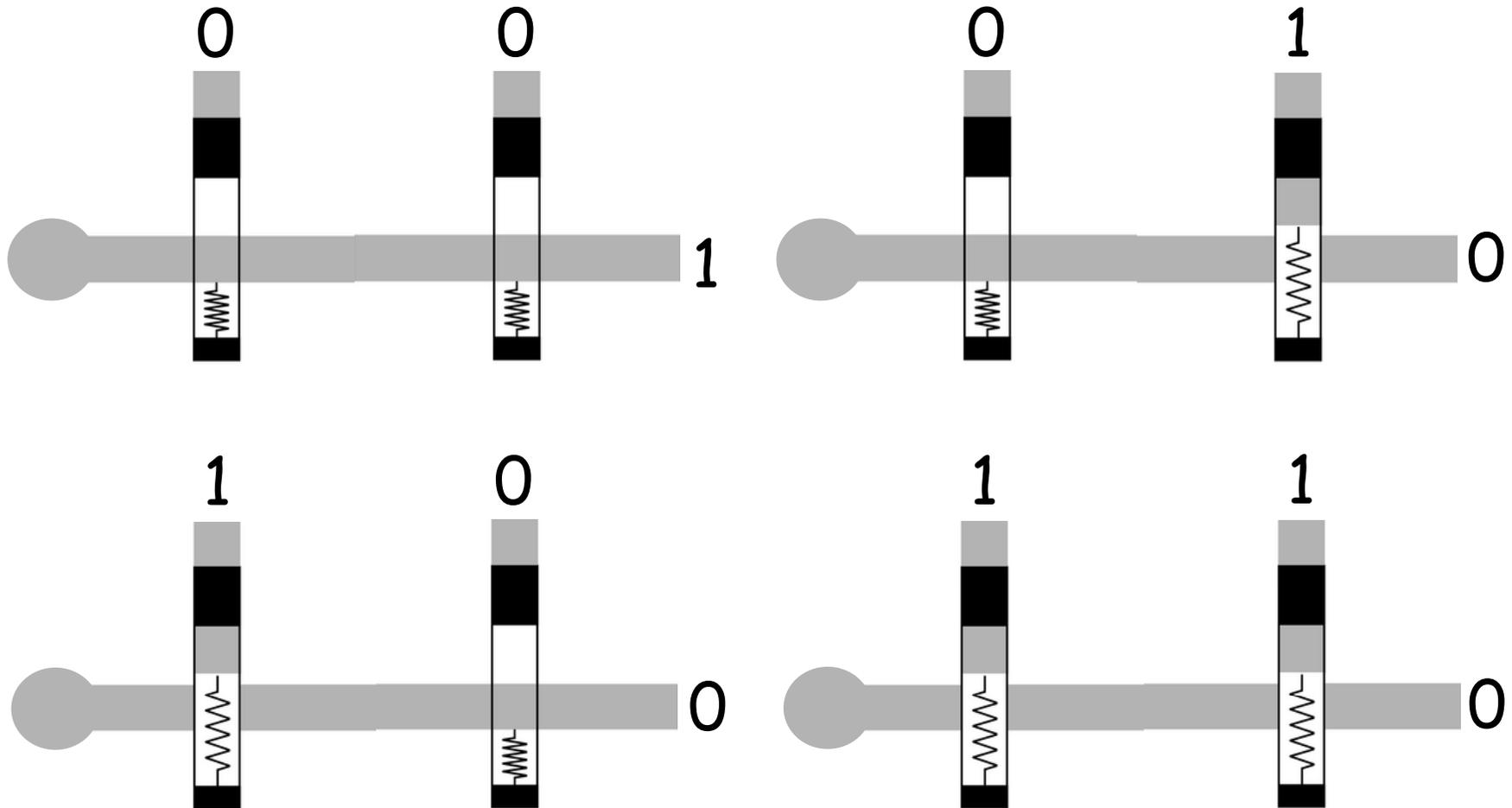


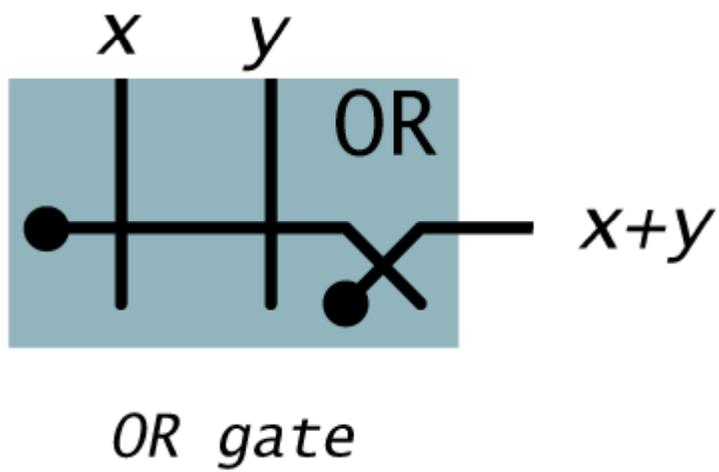
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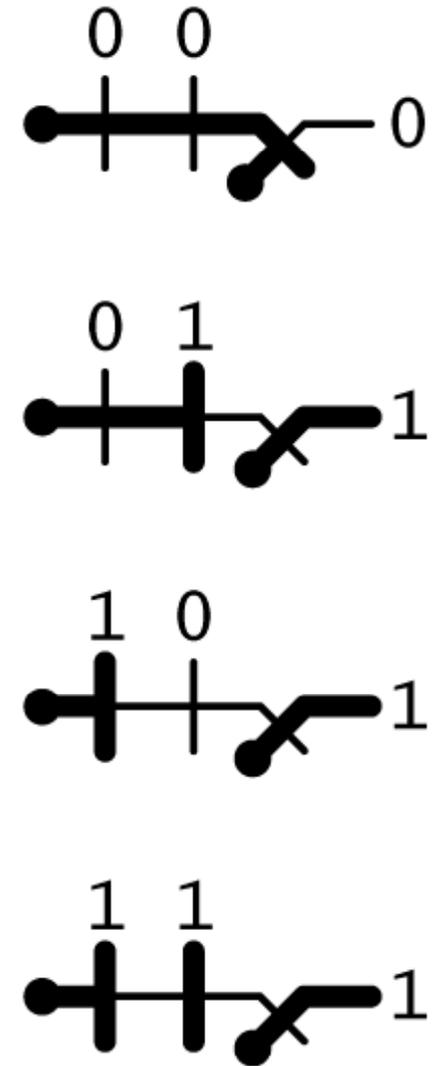
Series relays = NOR





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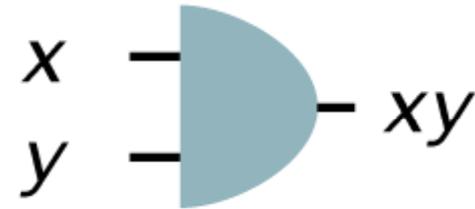
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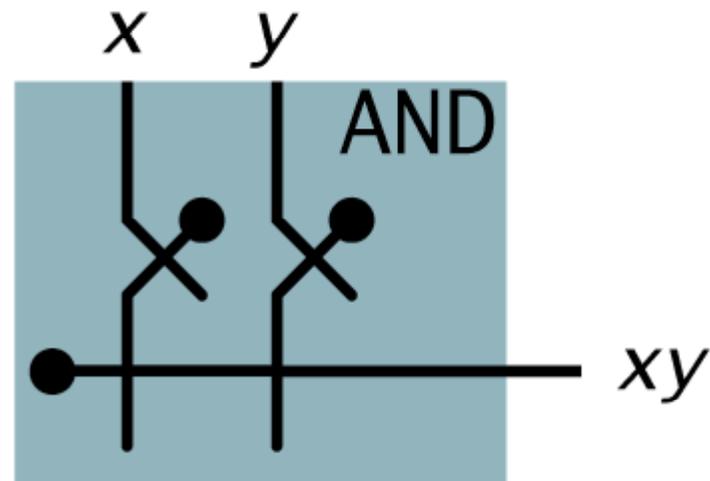
AND

$$\mathbf{AND = xy}$$

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1	0	0
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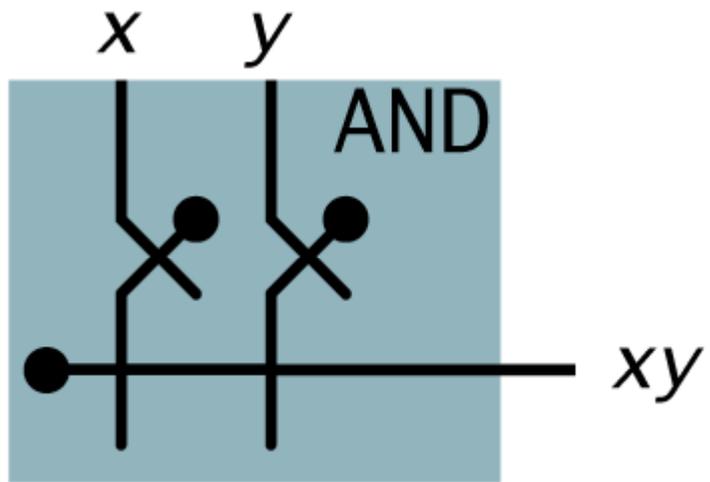


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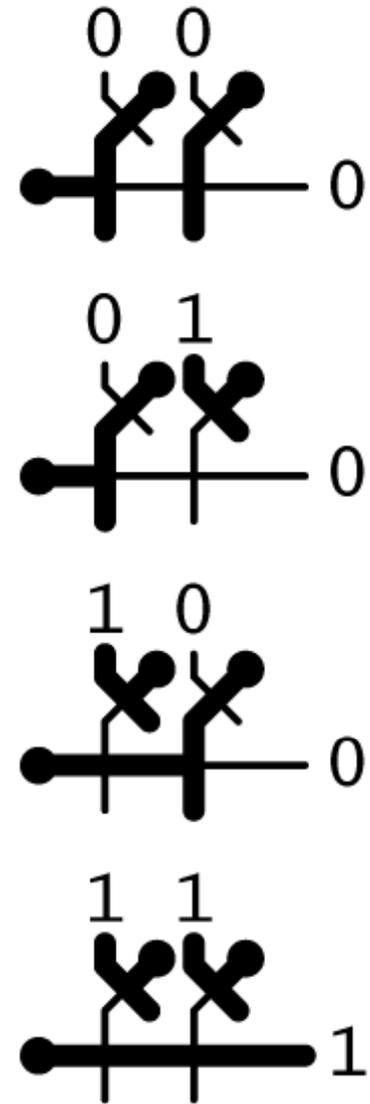
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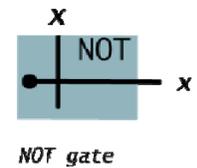
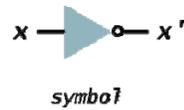
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1	1	1



Logic Gates: Fundamental Building Blocks

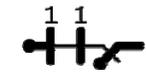
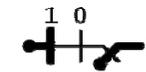
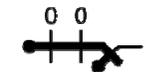
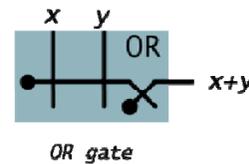
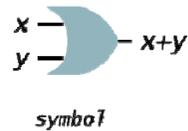
NOT = x'

x	NOT
0	1
1	0



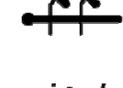
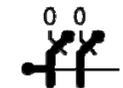
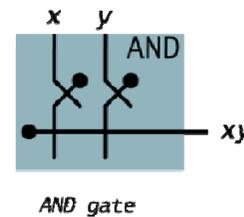
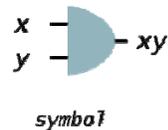
OR = $x+y$

x	y	OR
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1



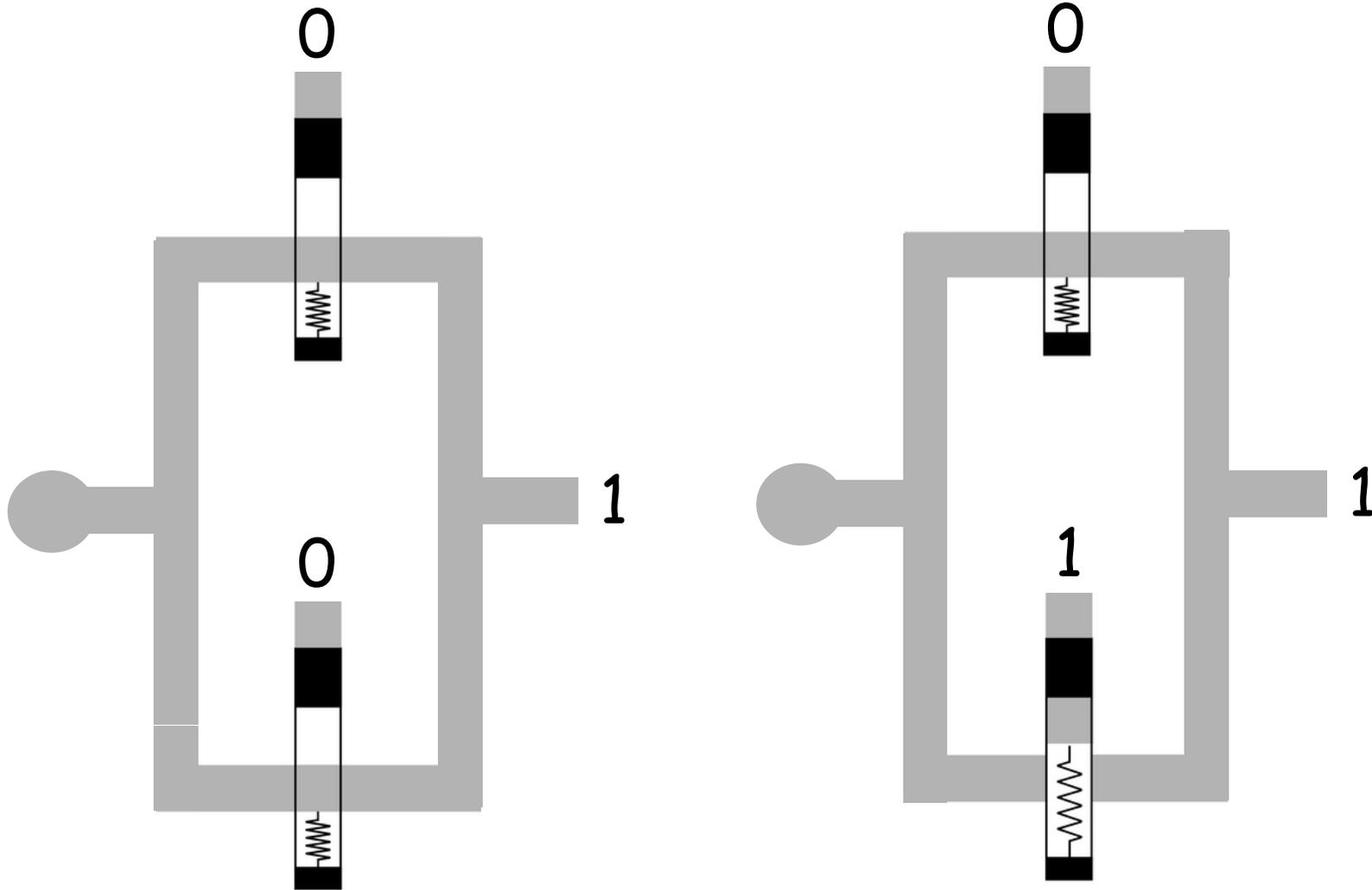
AND = xy

x	y	AND
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



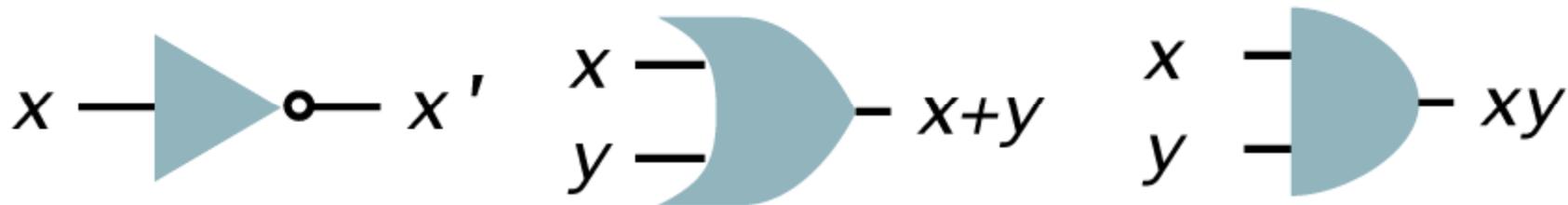
implementations with switches

What about parallel relays? =NAND



Can we implement AND/OR using parallel relays?

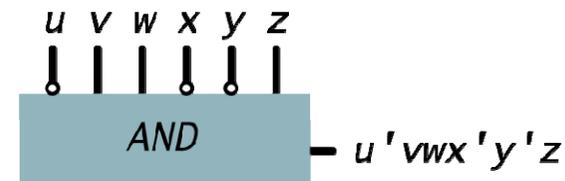
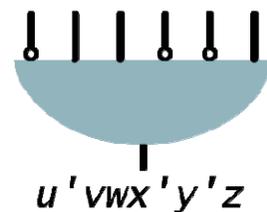
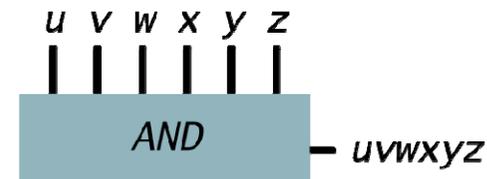
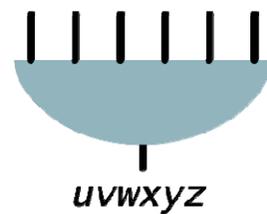
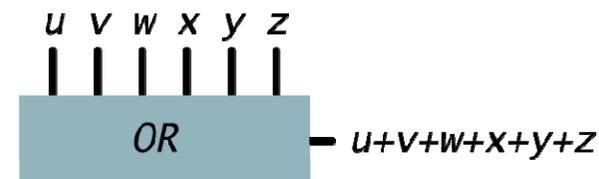
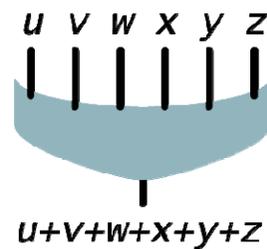
Now we know how to implement AND, OR and NOT. We can just use them as black boxes without knowing how they were implemented. Principle of information hiding.



Multiway Gates

Multiway gates.

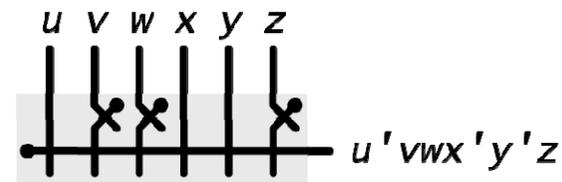
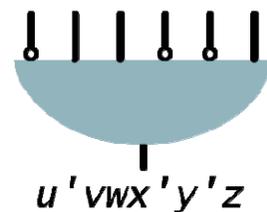
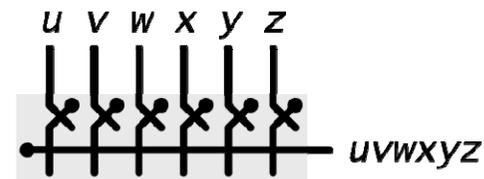
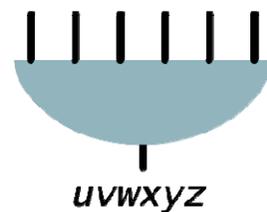
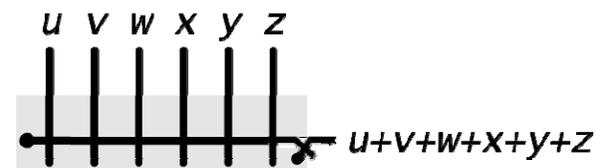
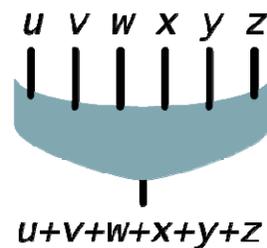
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Multiway Gates

Multiway gates.

- Can also be built from 2-way gates (less efficient but implementation independent)
- Example: build 4-way OR from 2-way ORs

Translate Boolean Formula to Boolean Circuit

Sum-of-products. XOR.

$$\text{XOR} = x'y + xy'$$

<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>XOR</i>
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Truth table



Circuit

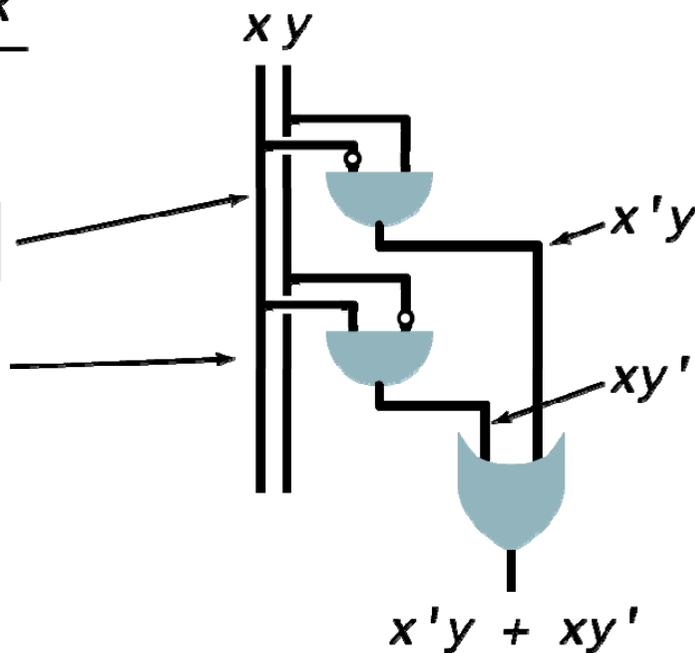
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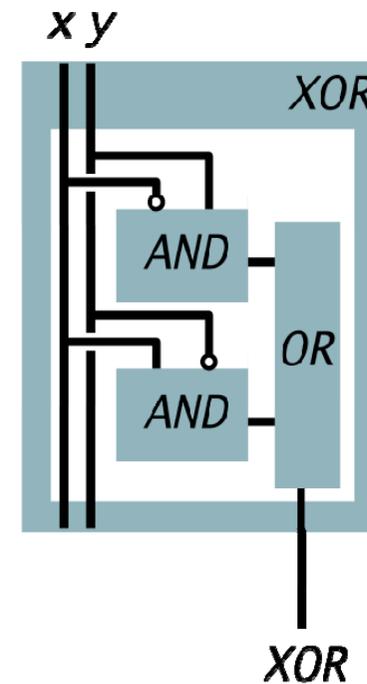
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Abstract circuit



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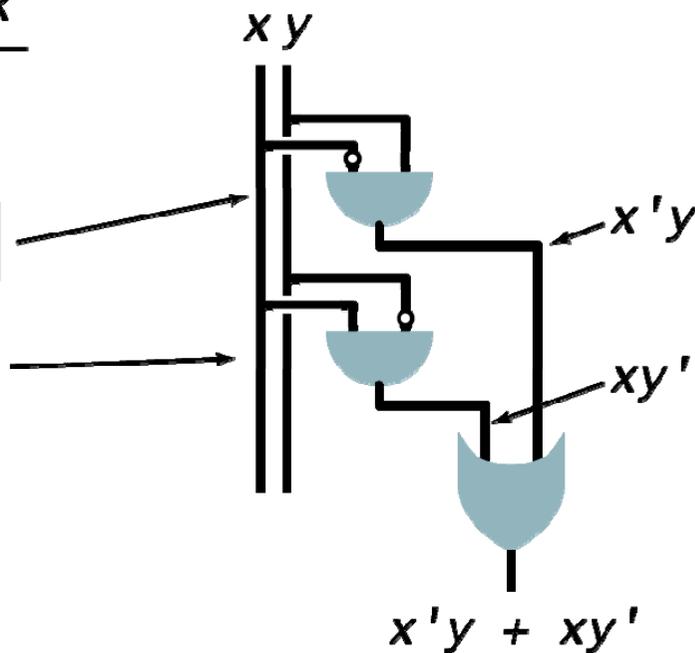
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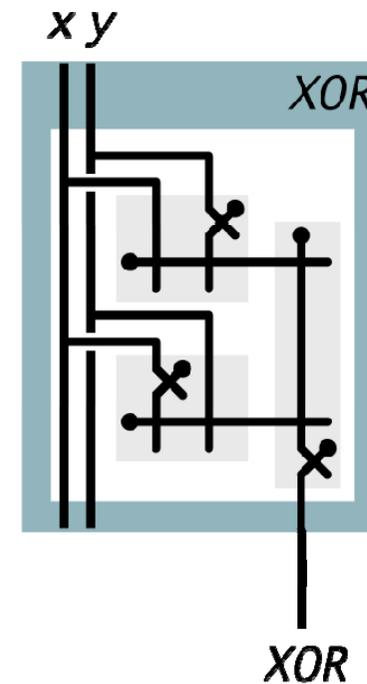
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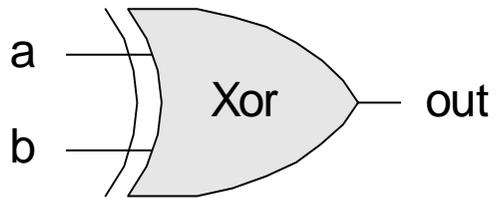
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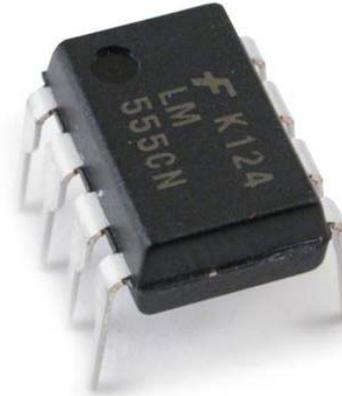
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Gate logic

Interface

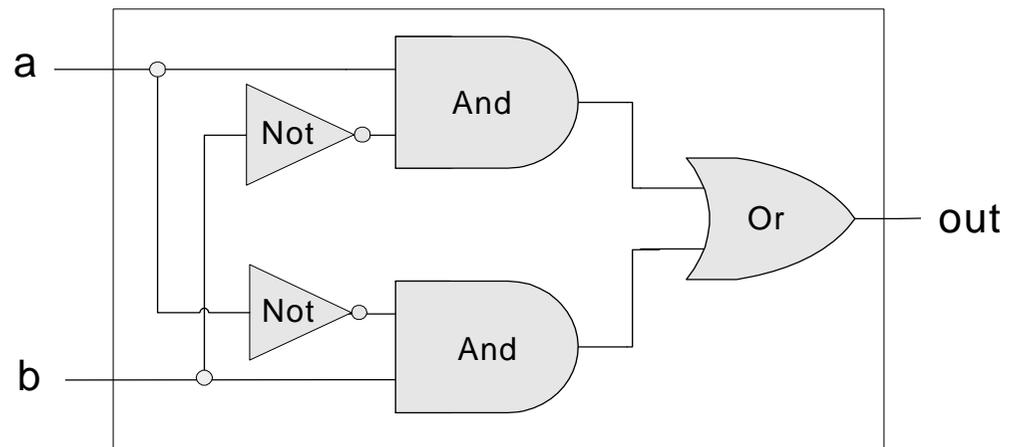


a	b	out
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0



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Implementation



$$\text{Xor}(a,b) = \text{Or}(\text{And}(a,\text{Not}(b)),\text{And}(\text{Not}(a),b))$$

ODD Parity Circuit

$ODD(x, y, z)$.

- 1 if odd number of inputs are 1.
- 0 otherwise.

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x	y	z	ODD	$x'y'z$	$x'yz'$	$xy'z'$	xyz	$x'y'z + x'yz' + xy'z' + xyz$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1

Expressing ODD using sum-of-products

ODD Parity Circuit

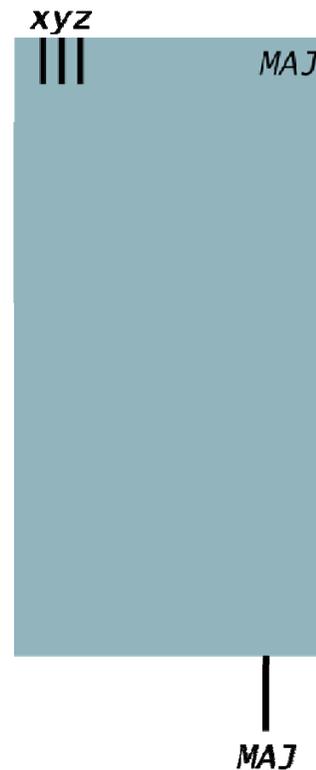
$ODD(x, y, z)$.

- 1 if odd number of inputs are 1.
- 0 otherwise.

$$MAJ = x'yz + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$

$$ODD = x'y'z + x'yz' + xy'z' + xyz$$

x	y	z	MAJ
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1



x	y	z	ODD
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
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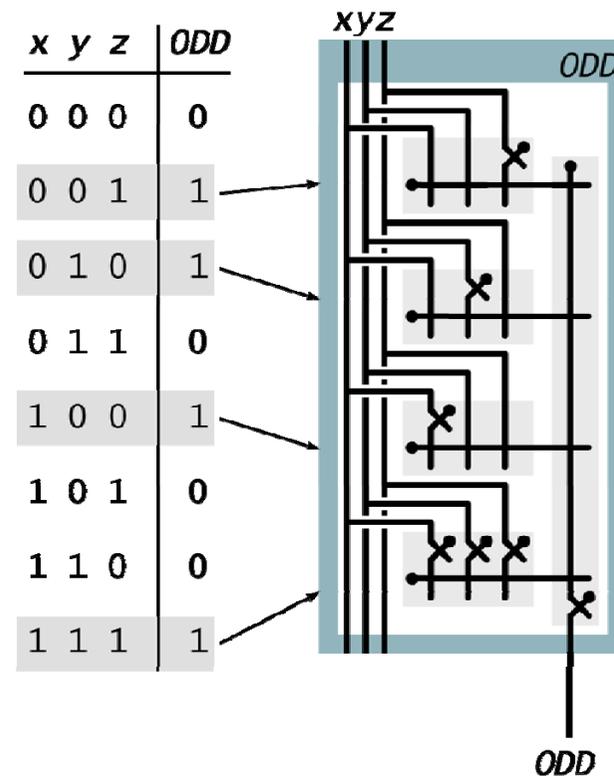
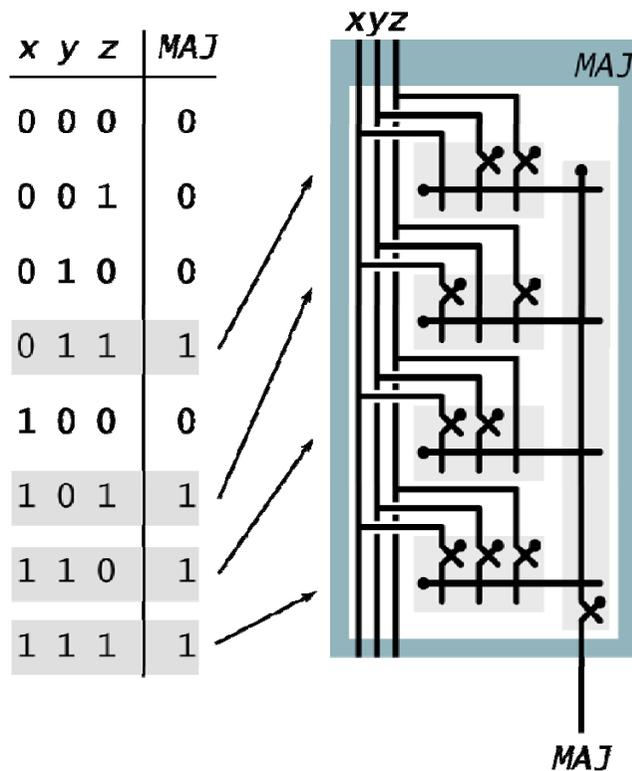
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Expressing a Boolean Function Using AND, OR, NOT

Ingredients.

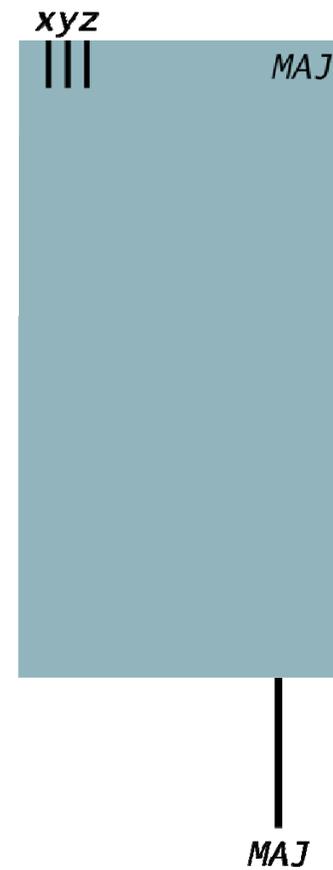
- AND gates.
- OR gates.
- NOT gates.
- Wire.

Instructions.

- Step 1: represent input and output signals with Boolean variables.
- Step 2: construct truth table to carry out computation.
- Step 3: derive (simplified) Boolean expression using sum-of products.
- Step 4: transform Boolean expression into circuit.

Translate Boolean Formula to Boolean Circuit

Sum-of-products. Majority.



Circuit

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$$MAJ = x'yz + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$

<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>MAJ</i>
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
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1	1	1	1

Truth table



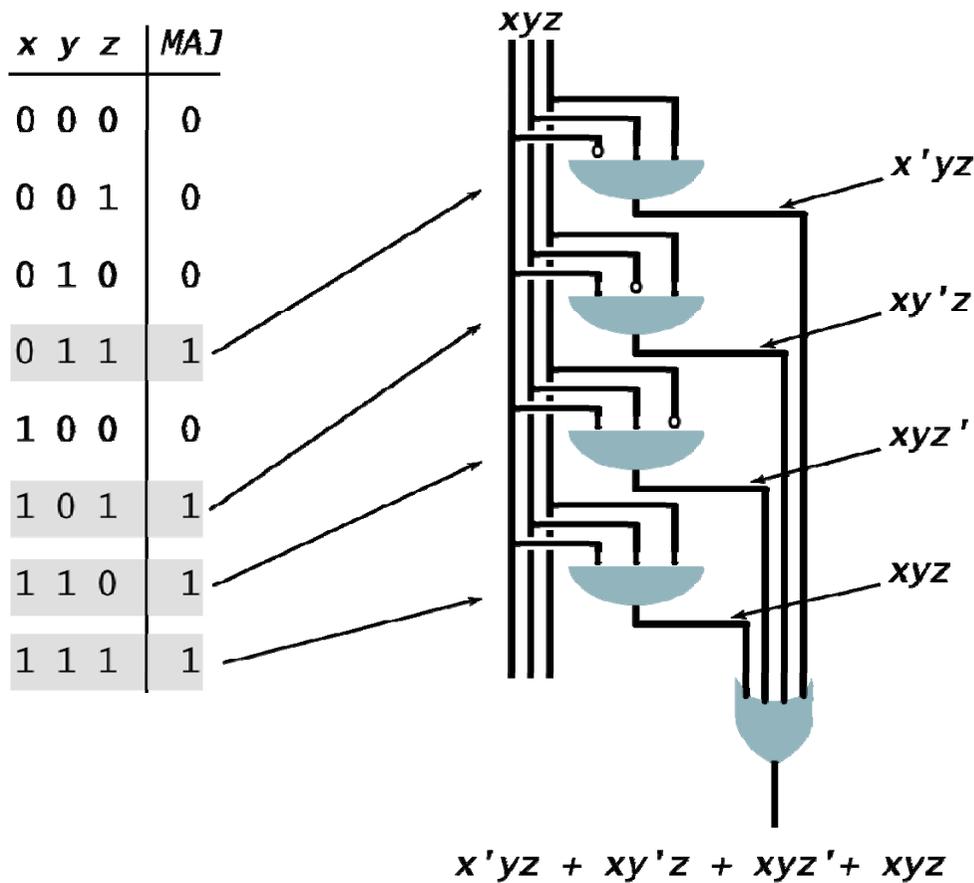
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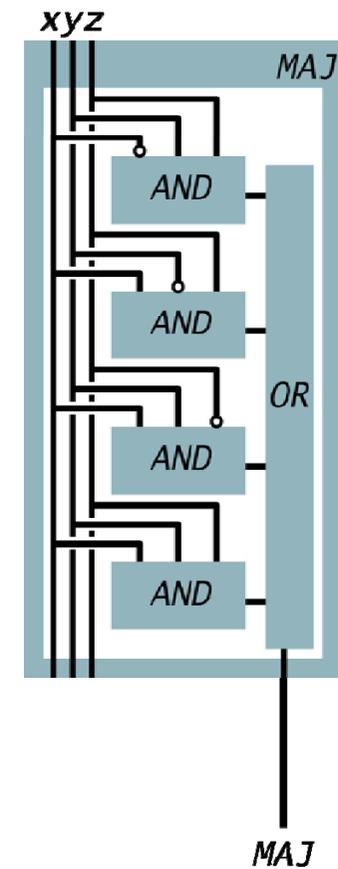
$$MAJ = x'yz + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$

x	y	z	MAJ
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1



Truth table

Abstract circuit



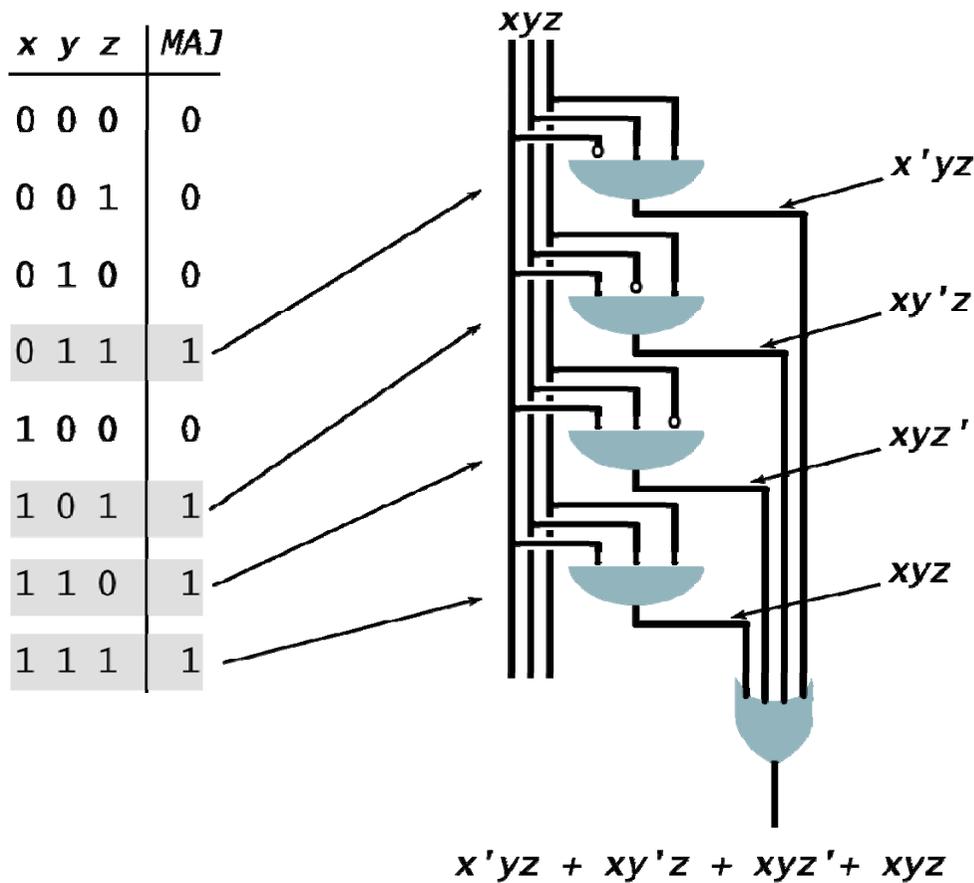
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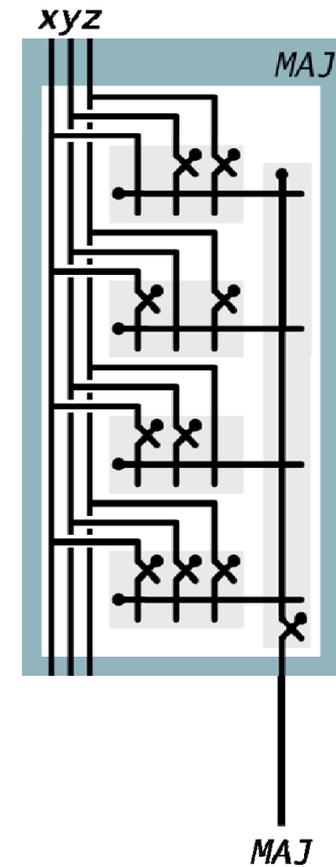
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1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
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Abstract circuit



Circuit

Simplification Using Boolean Algebra

Every function can be written as sum-of-product

Many possible circuits for each Boolean function.

- Sum-of-products not necessarily optimal in:
 - number of switches (space)
 - depth of circuit (time)

Boolean expression simplification

Karnaugh map

A \ *B*

	0	1
0		
1		

AB \ *CD*

	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11				
10				

AB \ *C*

	0	1
00		
01		
11		
10		

Karnaugh Maps (K-Maps)

- Boolean expressions can be minimized by combining terms
- K-maps minimize equations graphically
- $PA + P\bar{A} = P$

A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

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

		AB			
		00	01	11	10
C	0	$\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}$	$\bar{A}B\bar{C}$	$A\bar{B}\bar{C}$	$A\bar{B}C$
	1	$\bar{A}\bar{B}C$	$\bar{A}BC$	ABC	$A\bar{B}C$

K-Map

- Circle 1's in adjacent squares
- In Boolean expression, include only literals whose true and complement form are *not* in the circle

A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

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

$$Y = \bar{A}\bar{B}$$

3-Input K-Map

		Y AB			
		00	01	11	10
C	0	$\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}$	$\bar{A}B\bar{C}$	$A\bar{B}\bar{C}$	$A\bar{B}C$
	1	$\bar{A}\bar{B}C$	$\bar{A}BC$	ABC	$A\bar{B}C$

Truth Table

A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

K-Map

		Y AB			
		00	01	11	10
C	0				
	1				

3-Input K-Map

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

Truth Table

A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

K-Map

		Y			
		AB			
C	0	0	1	1	0
	1	0	1	0	0

$$Y = \bar{A}B + B\bar{C}$$

K-Map Rules

- Every 1 must be circled at least once
- Each circle must span a power of 2 (i.e. 1, 2, 4) squares in each direction
- Each circle must be as large as possible
- A circle may wrap around the edges
- A “don't care” (X) is circled only if it helps minimize the equation

4-Input K-Map

A	B	C	D	Y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0

Y CD \ AB		AB			
		00	01	11	10
CD	00				
	01				
	11				
	10				

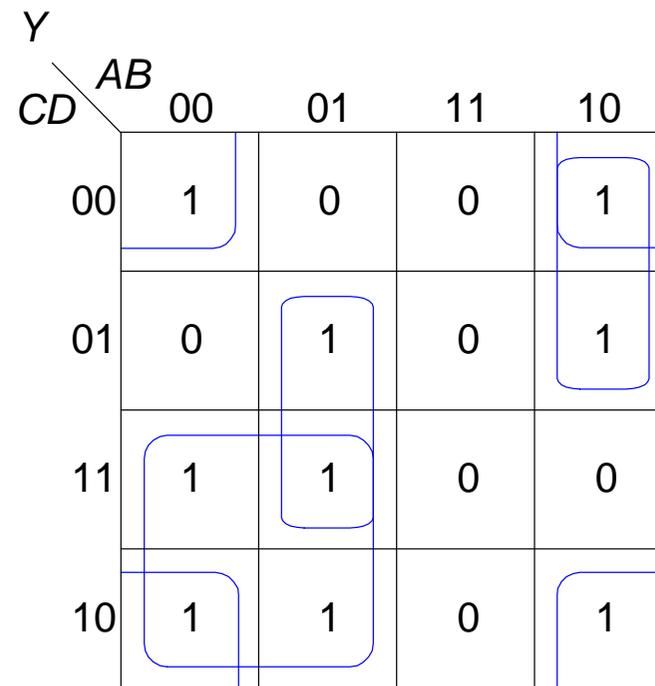
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A	B	C	D	Y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0

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

4-Input K-Map

A	B	C	D	Y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0



$$Y = \bar{A}C + \bar{A}BD + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + \bar{B}\bar{D}$$

K-Maps with Don't Cares

A	B	C	D	Y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	X
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	X
1	0	1	1	X
1	1	0	0	X
1	1	0	1	X
1	1	1	0	X
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	01				
	11				
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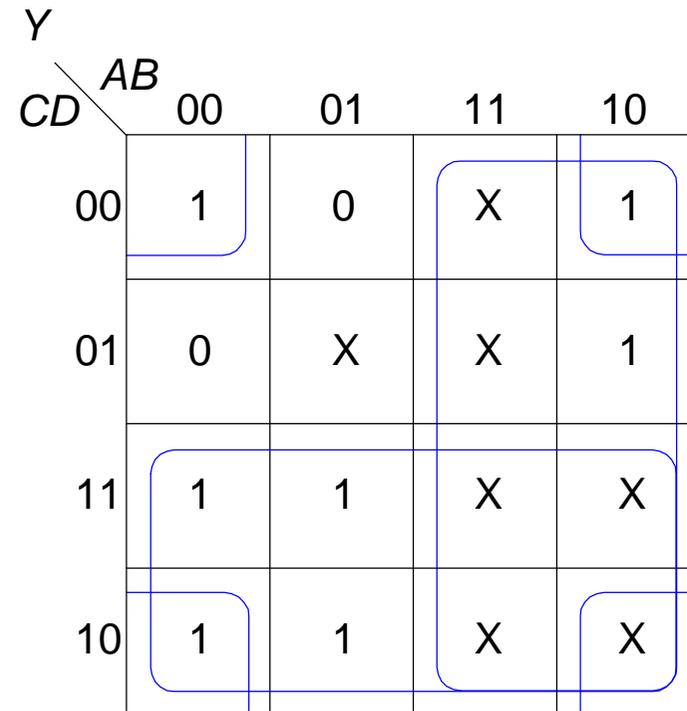
K-Maps with Don't Cares

A	B	C	D	Y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	X
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	X
1	0	1	1	X
1	1	0	0	X
1	1	0	1	X
1	1	1	0	X
1	1	1	1	X

Y CD \ AB		AB			
		00	01	11	10
00	00	1	0	X	1
	01	0	X	X	1
11	11	1	1	X	X
	10	1	1	X	X

K-Maps with Don't Cares

A	B	C	D	Y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	X
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	X
1	0	1	1	X
1	1	0	0	X
1	1	0	1	X
1	1	1	0	X
1	1	1	1	X



$$Y = A + \overline{B}\overline{D} + C$$

Example

$$MAJ = x'yz + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$

x	y	z	MAJ
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

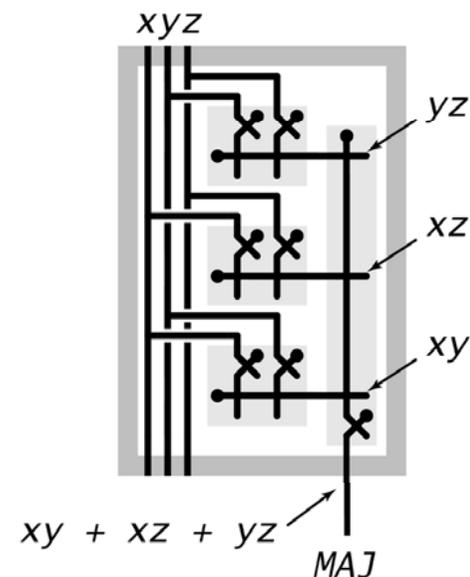
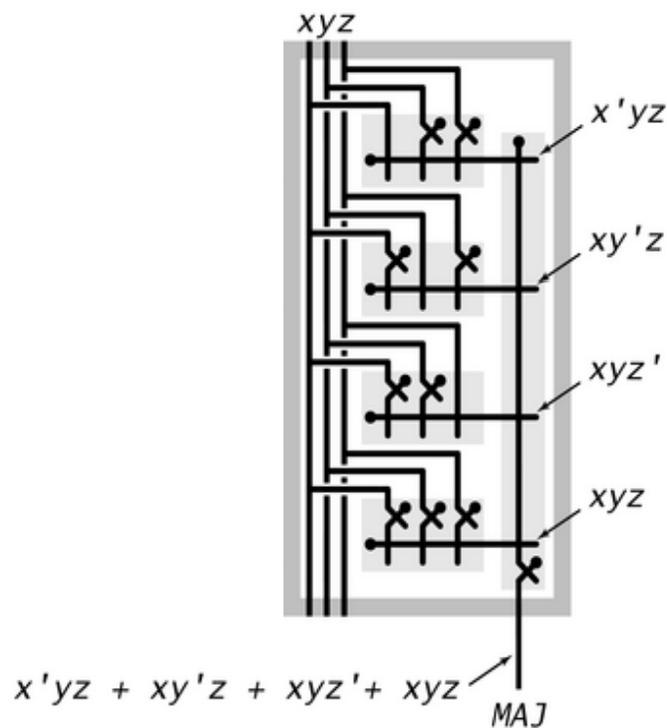
		z	
		0	1
xy	00		
	01		
	11		
	10		

Simplification Using Boolean Algebra

Many possible circuits for each Boolean function.

- Sum-of-products not necessarily optimal in:
 - number of switches (space)
 - depth of circuit (time)

$$\text{MAJ}(x, y, z) = x'yz + xy'z + xyz' + xyz = xy + yz + xz.$$

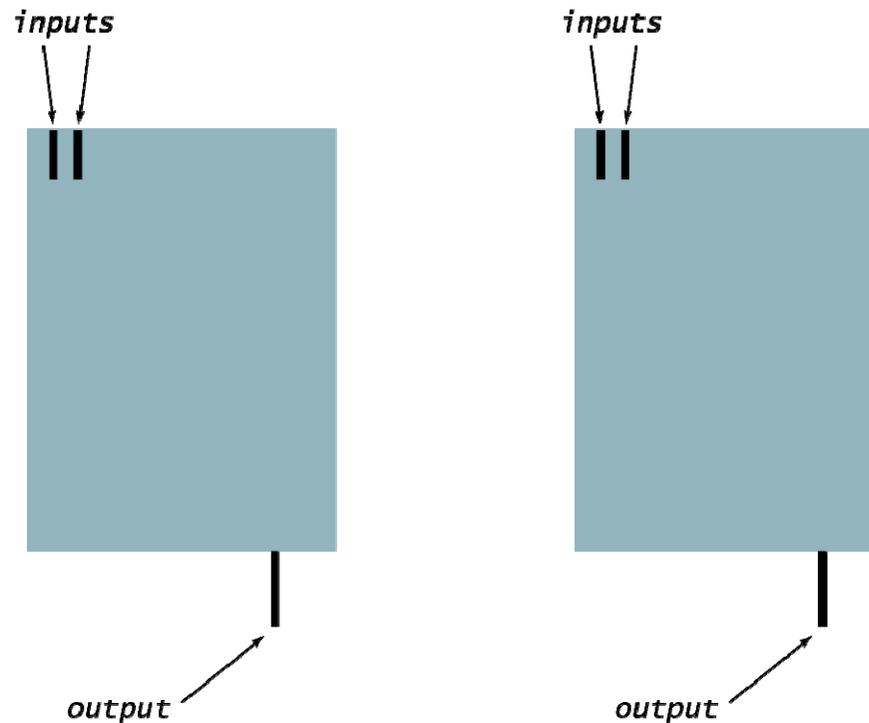


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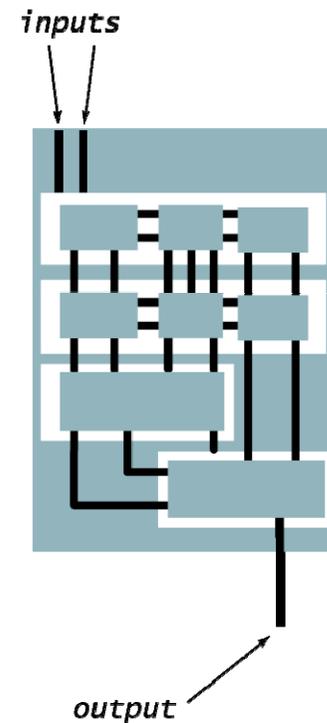
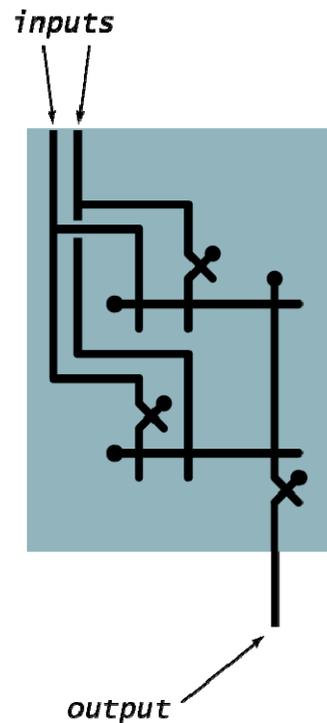


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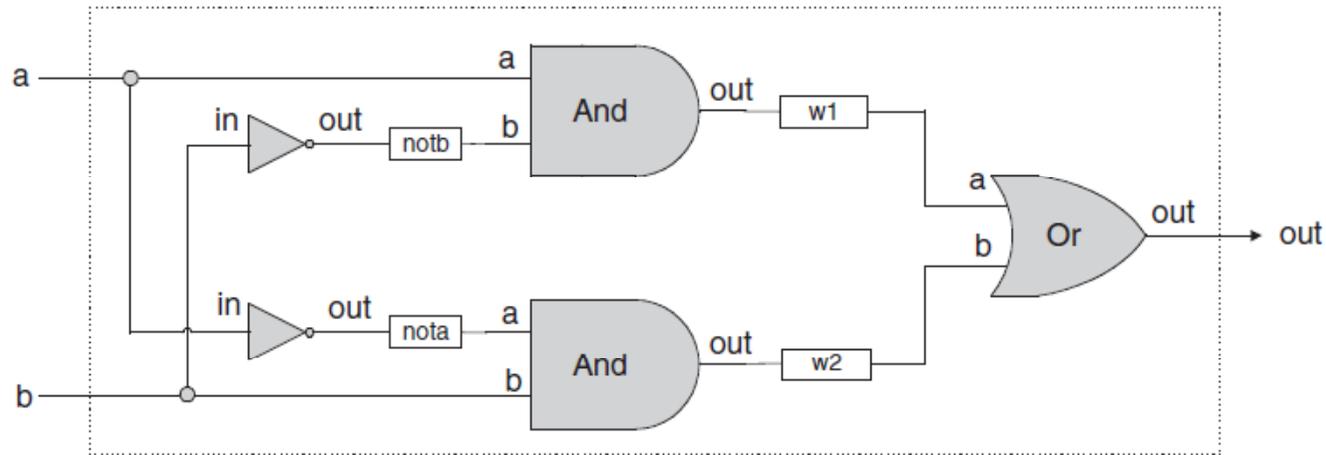
Specification

```
Chip name: Xor
Inputs:    a, b
Outputs:   out
Function:  If  $a \neq b$  then  $out=1$  else  $out=0$ .
```

- Step 1: identify input and output
- Step 2: construct truth table
- Step 3: derive (simplified) Boolean expression using sum-of products.
- Step 4: transform Boolean expression into circuit/implement it using HDL.

You would like to test the gate before packaging.

HDL



HDL program (xor.hdl)

```
/* Xor (exclusive or) gate:
   If a<>b out=1 else out=0. */
CHIP Xor {
  IN a, b;
  OUT out;
  PARTS:
  Not(in=a, out=nota);
  Not(in=b, out=notb);
  And(a=a, b=notb, out=w1);
  And(a=nota, b=b, out=w2);
  Or(a=w1, b=w2, out=out);
}
```

Test script (xor.tst)

```
load Xor.hdl,
output-list a, b, out;
set a 0, set b 0,
eval, output;
set a 0, set b 1,
eval, output;
set a 1, set b 0,
eval, output;
set a 1, set b 1,
eval, output;
```

Output file (xor.out)

a	b	out
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Example: Building an And gate



And.cmp

a	b	out
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Contract:

When running your .hdl on our .tst, your .out should be the same as our .cmp.

And.hdl

```
CHIP And
{
  IN  a, b;
  OUT out;
  // implementation missing
}
```

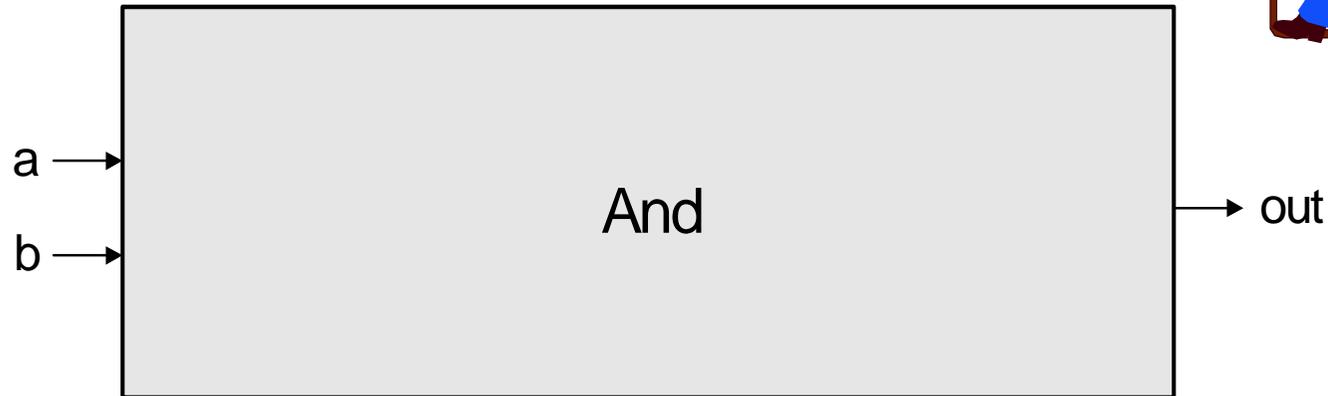
And.tst

```
load And.hdl,
output-file And.out,
compare-to And.cmp,
output-list a b out;
set a 0, set b 0, eval, output;
set a 0, set b 1, eval, output;
set a 1, set b 0, eval, output;
set a 1, set b 1, eval, output;
```

Building an And gate



Interface: $\text{And}(a,b) = 1$ exactly when $a=b=1$



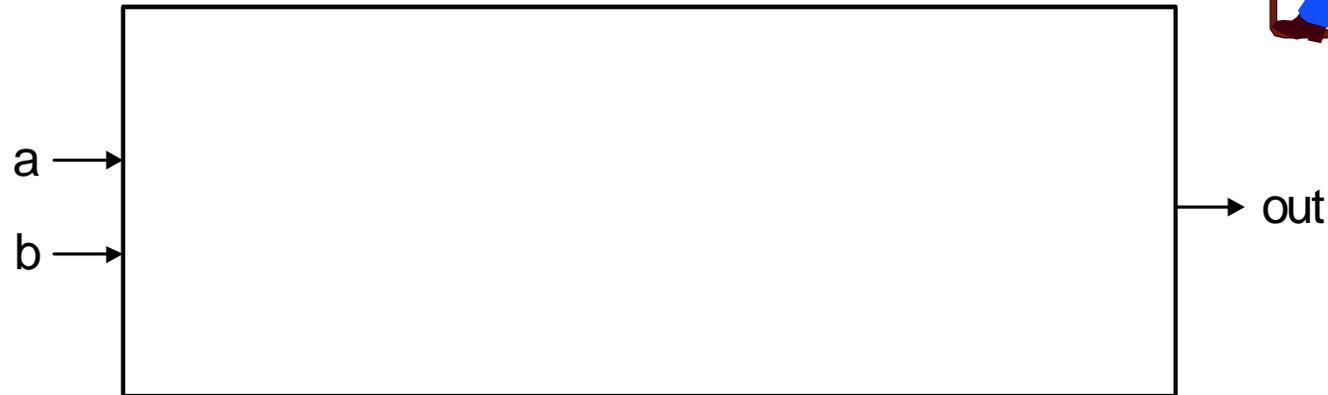
And.hdl

```
CHIP And
{
  IN  a, b;
  OUT out;
  // implementation missing
}
```

Building an And gate



Implementation: $\text{And}(a,b) = \text{Not}(\text{Nand}(a,b))$



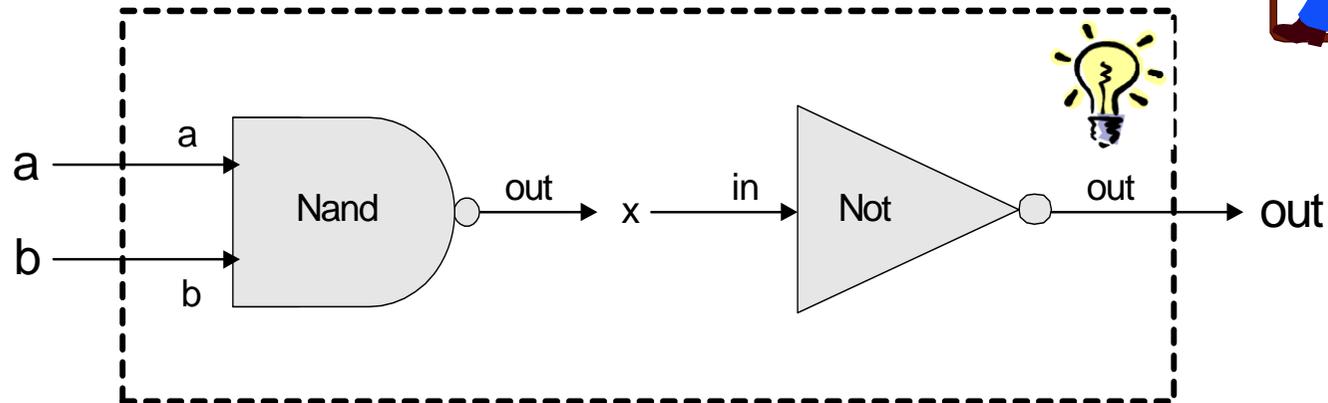
And.hdl

```
CHIP And
{
  IN  a, b;
  OUT out;
  // implementation missing
}
```

Building an And gate



Implementation: $\text{And}(a,b) = \text{Not}(\text{Nand}(a,b))$



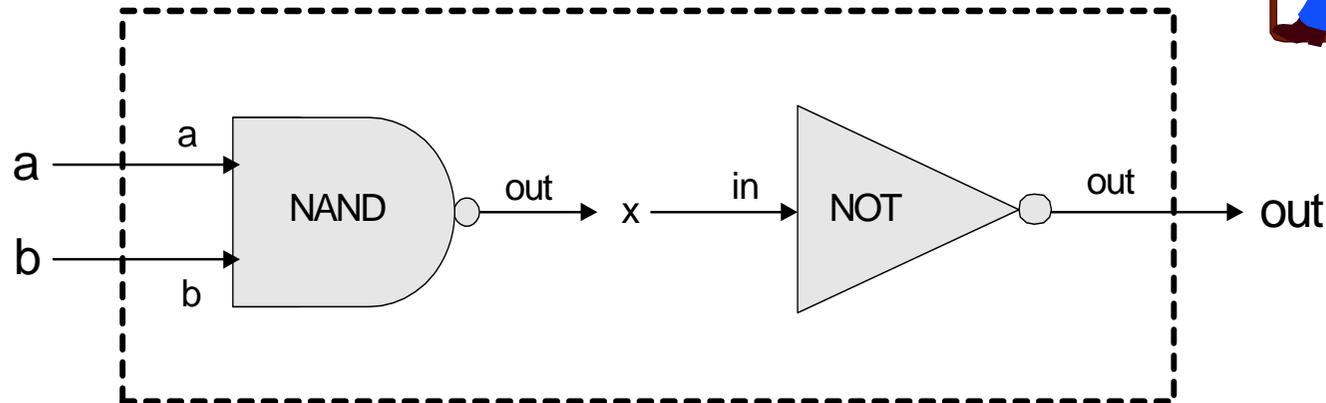
And.hdl

```
CHIP And
{
  IN  a, b;
  OUT out;
  // implementation missing
}
```

Building an And gate



Implementation: $\text{And}(a,b) = \text{Not}(\text{Nand}(a,b))$



And.hdl

```
CHIP And
{
  IN  a, b;
  OUT out;
  Nand(a = a,
        b = b,
        out = x);
  Not(in = x, out = out)
}
```



Hardware simulator (demonstrating Xor gate construction)

The screenshot shows a hardware simulator window titled "Hardware Simulator - D:\hack\Chips\Project 1\Xor.hdl". The window has a menu bar (File, View, Run, Help) and a toolbar with various icons. A red circle highlights the "Run" button (a blue arrow pointing right). Below the toolbar, there are fields for "Chip Name" and "Time".

The simulator is divided into several sections:

- Input pins:** A table with columns "Name" and "Value".

Name	Value
a	0
b	0
- Output pins:** A table with columns "Name" and "Value".

Name	Value
out	0
- HDL:** A text area containing Verilog code for an Xor gate.

```
// Xor (exclusive or) gate
// if a<>b out=1 else out=0
CHIP Xor {
  IN a,b;
  OUT out;
  PARTS:
    Not (in=a,out=nota);
    Not (in=b,out=noth);
    And (a=a,b=noth,out=x);
    And (a=nota,b=b,out=y);
    Or (a=x,b=y,out=out);
}
```
- Internal pins:** A table with columns "Name" and "Value".

Name	Value
nota	1
noth	1
x	0
y	0
- Test script:** A text area containing a script for testing the Xor gate.

```
load Xor,
output-file Xor.out,
compare-to Xor.cmp,
output-list a%B3.1.3 b%B3.1.3 out%B3.1.3;

set a 0,
set b 0,
eval,
output;

set a 0,
set b 1,
eval,
output;

set a 1,
set b 0,
eval,
output;

set a 1,
set b 1,
eval,
output;
```

Two orange callout boxes are present: "HDL program" points to the HDL code area, and "test script" points to the test script area. At the bottom of the window, a status bar says "Script restarted".

Hardware simulator

The screenshot shows a window titled "Hardware Simulator - D:\hack\Chips\Project 1\Xor.hdl". The interface includes a menu bar (File, View, Run, Help), a toolbar with navigation icons (a red circle highlights the right arrow), and control options for "Animate" (Program flow), "Format" (Decimal), and "View" (Script). Below the toolbar are fields for "Chip Name" and "Time".

The main area is divided into several sections:

- Input pins:** A table with columns "Name" and "Value".

Name	Value
a	0
b	0
- Output pins:** A table with columns "Name" and "Value".

Name	Value
out	0
- HDL:** A text area containing Verilog code for an XOR gate.

```
// Xor (exclusive or) gate
// if a<>b out=1 else out=0
CHIP Xor {
  IN a,b;
  OUT out;
  PARTS:
    Not (in=a,out=nota);
    Not (in=b,out=noth);
    And (a=a,b=noth,out=x);
    And (a=nota,b=b,out=y);
    Or (a=x,b=y,out=out);
}
```
- Internal pins:** A table with columns "Name" and "Value".

Name	Value
nota	1
noth	1
x	0
y	0
- Script window:** A large text area on the right showing the simulation script, with several lines highlighted in yellow and red boxes.

```
load Xor,
output-file Xor.out,
compare-to Xor.cmp,
output-list a%B3.1.3 b%B3.1.3 out%B3.1.3;

set a 0,
set b 0,
eval,
output;

set a 0,
set b 1,
eval,
output;

set a 1,
set b 0,
eval,
output;

set a 1,
set b 1,
eval,
output;
```

A red callout box labeled "HDL program" points to the HDL code section. At the bottom left, a status bar indicates "Script restarted".

Hardware simulator

The screenshot shows a hardware simulator window titled "Hardware Simulator - D:\hack\Chips\Project 1\Xor.hdl". The interface includes a menu bar (File, View, Run, Help), a toolbar with simulation controls (Play, Stop, Step, Slow, Fast), and a "View" dropdown menu currently set to "Output".

The "Chip Name" is "Xor" and the "Time" is 0. The "Input pins" table shows:

Name	Value
a	1
b	1

The "Output pins" table shows:

Name	Value
out	0

The "HDL" section contains the following code:

```
// Xor (exclusive or) gate
// if a<>b out=1 else out=0
CHIP Xor {
  IN a,b;
  OUT out;
  PARTS:
    Not (in=a,out=nota);
    Not (in=b,out=noth);
    And (a=a,b=noth,out=x);
    And (a=nota,b=b,out=y);
    Or (a=x,b=y,out=out);
}
```

The "Internal pins" table shows:

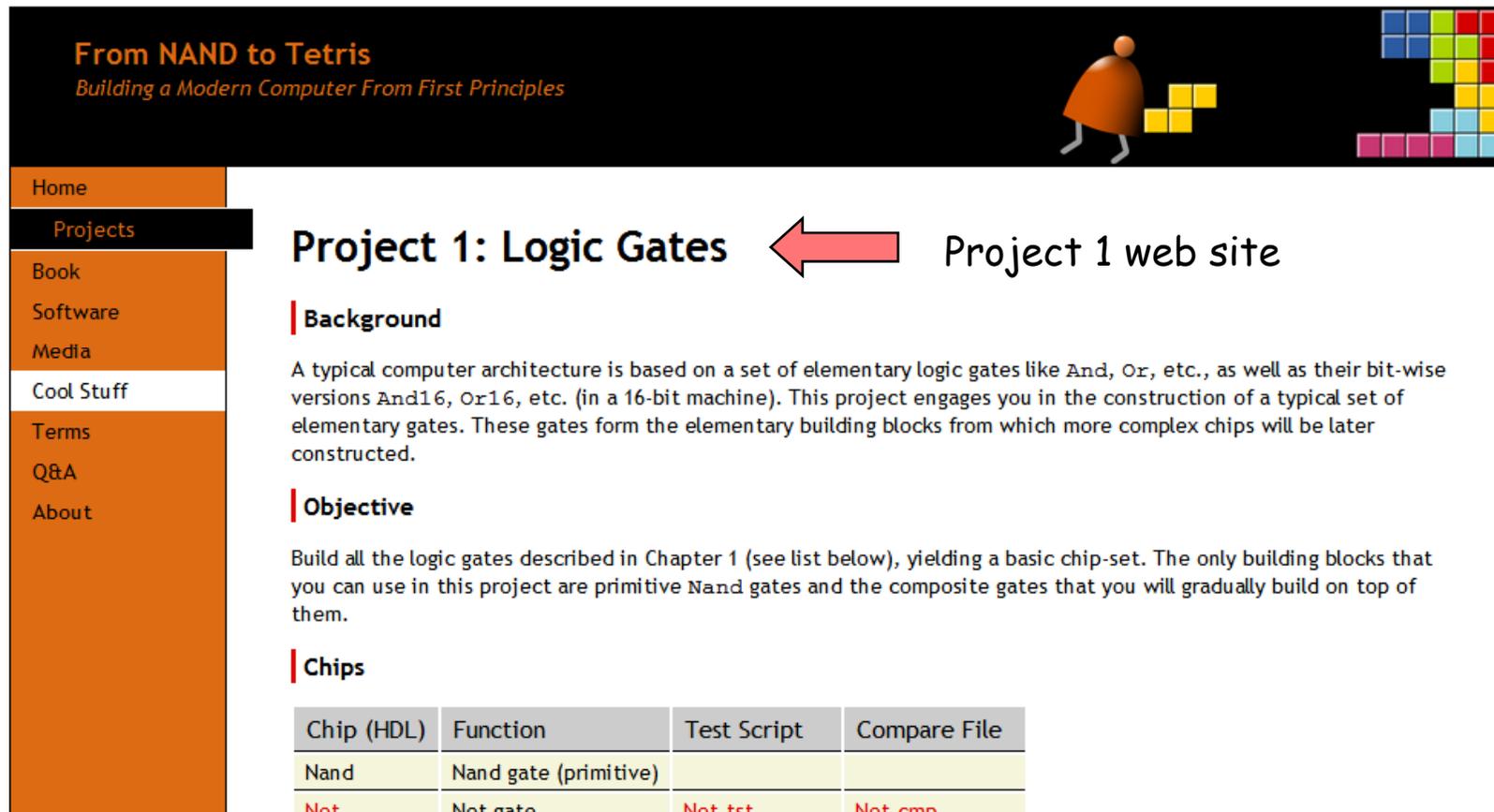
Name	Value
nota	0
noth	0
x	0
y	0

The "View" dropdown menu is open, showing options: Script, Output (selected), Compare, and None.

The main text area displays the simulation script, with the line `output;` highlighted in yellow. Below the script, a truth table is shown:

a	b	out
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

The status bar at the bottom reads "End of script - Comparison ended successfully".



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Project 1: Logic Gates

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Background

A typical computer architecture is based on a set of elementary logic gates like `And`, `Or`, etc., as well as their bit-wise versions `And16`, `Or16`, etc. (in a 16-bit machine). This project engages you in the construction of a typical set of elementary gates. These gates form the elementary building blocks from which more complex chips will be later constructed.

Objective

Build all the logic gates described in Chapter 1 (see list below), yielding a basic chip-set. The only building blocks that you can use in this project are primitive `Nand` gates and the composite gates that you will gradually build on top of them.

Chips

Chip (HDL)	Function	Test Script	Compare File
Nand	Nand gate (primitive)		
Not	Not gate	Not.tst	Not.cmp
And	And gate	And.tst	And.cmp
Or	Or gate	Or.tst	Or.cmp
Xor	Xor gate	Xor.tst	Xor.cmp
Mux	Mux gate	Mux.tst	Mux.cmp
DMux	DMux gate	DMux.tst	DMux.cmp
Not16	16-bit Not	Not16.tst	Not16.cmp

← `And.hdl` ,
`And.tst` ,
`And.cmp` files

Project 1 tips

- Read the Introduction + Chapter 1 of the book
- Download the book's software suite
- Go through the hardware simulator tutorial
- Do Project 0 (optional)
- You're in business.

Gates for project #1 (Basic Gates)

Chip name: Not
Inputs: in
Outputs: out
Function: If $in=0$ then $out=1$ else $out=0$.

Chip name: And
Inputs: a, b
Outputs: out
Function: If $a=b=1$ then $out=1$ else $out=0$.

Chip name: Or
Inputs: a, b
Outputs: out
Function: If $a=b=0$ then $out=0$ else $out=1$.

Chip name: Xor
Inputs: a, b
Outputs: out
Function: If $a \neq b$ then $out=1$ else $out=0$.

Gates for project #1

Chip name: Mux

Inputs: a, b, sel

Outputs: out

Function: If sel=0 then out=a else out=b.

Chip name: DMux

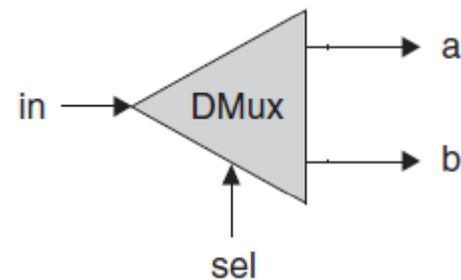
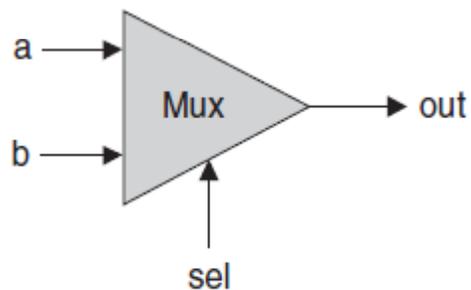
Inputs: in, sel

Outputs: a, b

Function: If sel=0 then {a=in, b=0} else {a=0, b=in}.

sel	out
0	a
1	b

sel	a	b
0	in	0
1	0	in



Gates for project #1 (Multi-bit version)

```
Chip name: Not16
Inputs:    in[16] // a 16-bit pin
Outputs:   out[16]
Function:  For i=0..15 out[i]=Not(in[i]).
```

```
Chip name: And16
Inputs:    a[16], b[16]
Outputs:   out[16]
Function:  For i=0..15 out[i]=And(a[i],b[i]).
```

```
Chip name: Or16
Inputs:    a[16], b[16]
Outputs:   out[16]
Function:  For i=0..15 out[i]=Or(a[i],b[i]).
```

```
Chip name: Mux16
Inputs:    a[16], b[16], sel
Outputs:   out[16]
Function:  If sel=0 then for i=0..15 out[i]=a[i]
           else for i=0..15 out[i]=b[i].
```

Gates for project #1 (Multi-way version)

Chip name: Or8Way

Inputs: in[8]

Outputs: out

Function: out=Or(in[0],in[1],...,in[7]).

Gates for project #1 (Multi-way version)

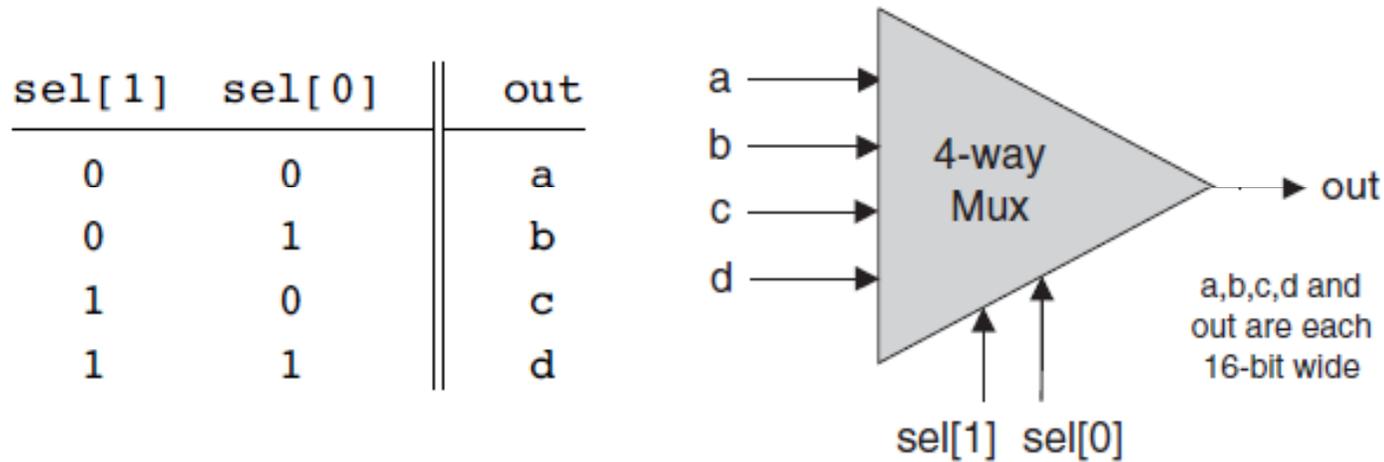


Figure 1.10 4-way multiplexor. The width of the input and output buses may vary.

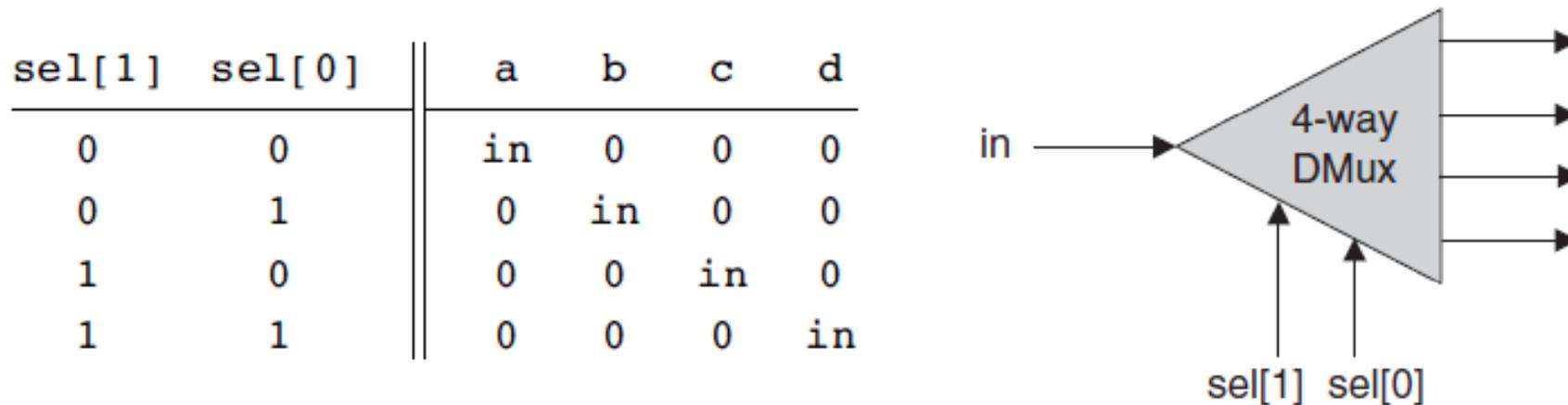


Figure 1.11 4-way demultiplexor.

Gates for project #1 (Multi-way version)

```
Chip name: Mux4Way16
Inputs:    a[16], b[16], c[16], d[16], sel[2]
Outputs:  out[16]
Function: If sel=00 then out=a else if sel=01 then out=b
              else if sel=10 then out=c else if sel=11 then out=d
Comment:  The assignment operations mentioned above are all
              16-bit. For example, "out=a" means "for i=0..15
              out[i]=a[i]".
```

```
Chip name: Mux8Way16
Inputs:    a[16], b[16], c[16], d[16], e[16], f[16], g[16], h[16],
              sel[3]
Outputs:  out[16]
Function: If sel=000 then out=a else if sel=001 then out=b
              else if sel=010 out=c ... else if sel=111 then out=h
Comment:  The assignment operations mentioned above are all
              16-bit. For example, "out=a" means "for i=0..15
              out[i]=a[i]".
```

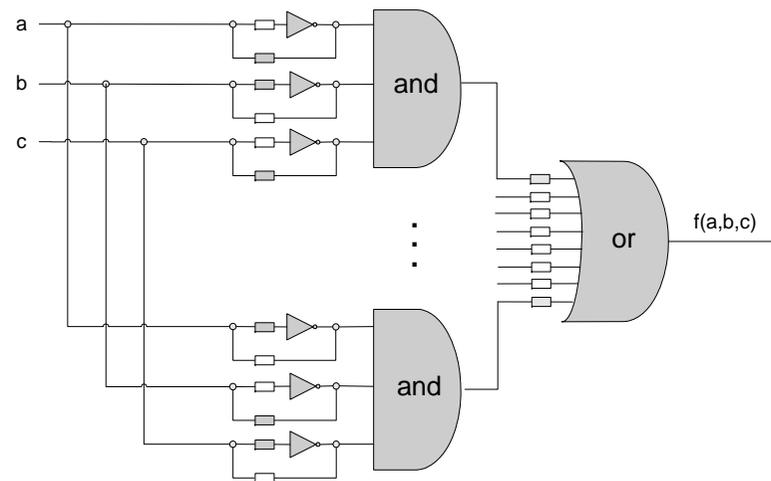
Gates for project #1 (Multi-way version)

```
Chip name: DMux4Way
Inputs:   in, sel[2]
Outputs:  a, b, c, d
Function:  If sel=00 then      {a=in, b=c=d=0}
           else if sel=01 then {b=in, a=c=d=0}
           else if sel=10 then {c=in, a=b=d=0}
           else if sel=11 then {d=in, a=b=c=0}.
```

```
Chip name: DMux8Way
Inputs:   in, sel[3]
Outputs:  a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h
Function:  If sel=000 then     {a=in, b=c=d=e=f=g=h=0}
           else if sel=001 then {b=in, a=c=d=e=f=g=h=0}
           else if sel=010 ...
           ...
           else if sel=111 then {h=in, a=b=c=d=e=f=g=0}.
```

Perspective

- Each Boolean function has a canonical representation
- The canonical representation is expressed in terms of And, Not, Or
- And, Not, Or can be expressed in terms of Nand alone
- Ergo, every Boolean function can be realized by a standard PLD consisting of Nand gates only
- Mass production
- Universal building blocks, unique topology
- Gates, neurons, atoms, ...



End notes: Canonical representation

Whodunit story: Each suspect may or may not have an alibi (a), a motivation to commit the crime (m), and a relationship to the weapon found in the scene of the crime (w). The police decides to focus attention only on suspects for whom the proposition **Not(a) And (m Or w)** is true.

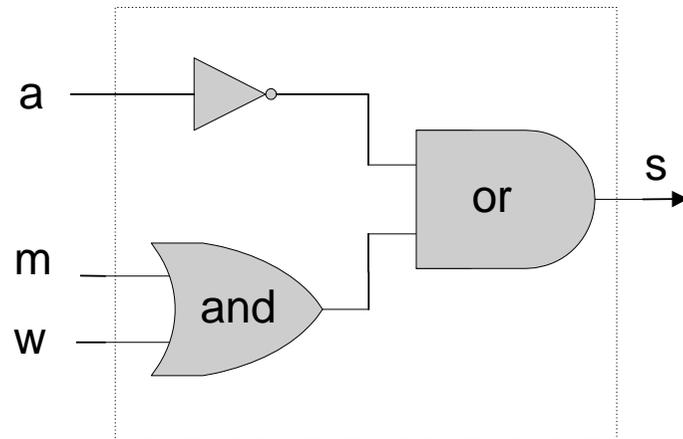
Truth table of the "suspect" function $s(a, m, w) = \bar{a} \cdot (m + w)$

a	m	w	<i>minterm</i>	suspect(a,m,w)= not(a) and (m or w)
0	0	0	$m_0 = \bar{a} \bar{m} \bar{w}$	0
0	0	1	$m_1 = \bar{a} \bar{m} w$	1
0	1	0	$m_2 = \bar{a} m \bar{w}$	1
0	1	1	$m_3 = \bar{a} m w$	1
1	0	0	$m_4 = a \bar{m} \bar{w}$	0
1	0	1	$m_5 = a \bar{m} w$	0
1	1	0	$m_6 = a m \bar{w}$	0
1	1	1	$m_7 = a m w$	0

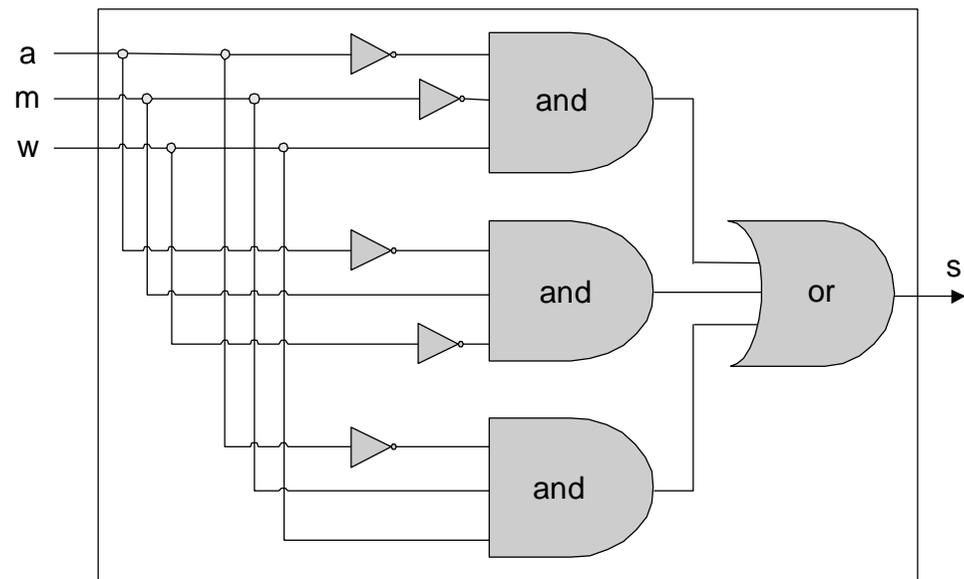
Canonical form: $s(a, m, w) = \bar{a} \bar{m} w + \bar{a} m \bar{w} + \bar{a} m w$

End notes: Canonical representation (cont.)

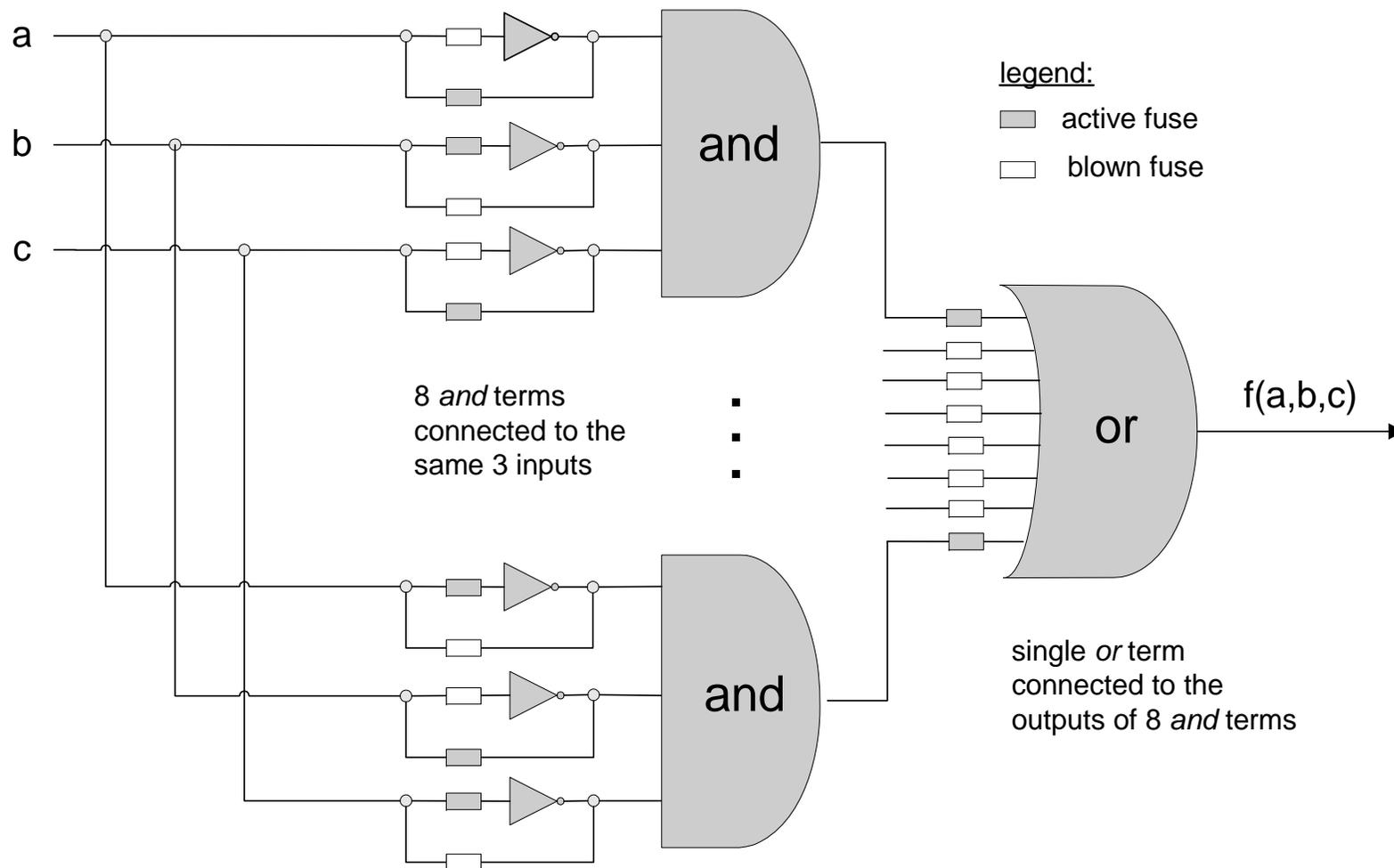
$$s(a, m, w) = \bar{a} \cdot (m + w)$$



$$s(a, m, w) = \bar{a}\bar{m}w + \bar{a}m\bar{w} + \bar{a}mw$$



End notes: Programmable Logic Device for 3-way functions



PLD implementation of $f(a,b,c) = a \bar{b} c + \bar{a} b \bar{c}$

(the on/off states of the fuses determine which gates participate in the computation)

End notes: Programmable Logic Device for 3-way functions

- Two-level logic: ANDs followed by ORs
- Example: $Y = ABC + \bar{A}BC + A\bar{B}C$

