

# Boolean Algebra

## Boolean logic

*Introduction to Computer*

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Based on symbolic logic, designed by George Boole  
Boolean variables take values as 0 or 1.  
Boolean expressions created from:

NOT, AND, OR



George Boole  
1815 - 1864

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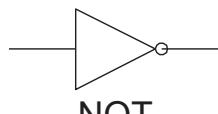
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NOT

$\neg x$     $\bar{x}$     $x'$

$x$	Not
0	1
1	0

Digital gate diagram for NOT:



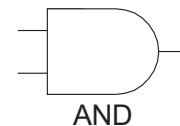
NOT

AND

$x \wedge y$     $x \cdot y$     $xy$

$x$	$y$	And
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Digital gate diagram for AND:

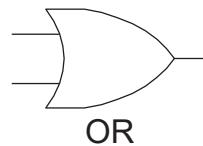


OR

$x \vee y$      $x + y$

$x$	$y$	Or
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

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

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## 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

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## 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	$x \cdot y$
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

$$x + 1 = 1$$

$$x + 0 = x$$

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

$$x + y = y + x$$

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

$$x \cdot 1 = x$$

$$x \cdot 0 = 0$$

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

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

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

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

### DeMorgan Law

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

## Simplifying Boolean expressions

### Example 1

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

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$$\begin{aligned}\bullet \quad Y &= AB + \bar{A}B \\ &= B(A + \bar{A}) \\ &= B(1) \\ &= B\end{aligned}$$

## Simplifying Boolean expressions

### Example 2

$$\bullet \quad Y = A(AB + ABC)$$

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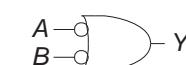
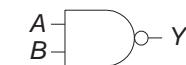
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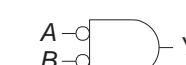
$$\begin{aligned}\bullet \quad Y &= A(AB + ABC) \\ &= A(AB(1 + C)) \\ &= A(AB(1)) \\ &= A(AB) \\ &= (AA)B \\ &= AB\end{aligned}$$

## DeMorgan's Theorem

$$\bullet \quad Y = \overline{AB} = \overline{A} + \overline{B}$$



$$\bullet \quad Y = \overline{A + B} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}$$



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## Bubble pushing

- **Backward:**

- Body changes
- Adds bubbles to inputs



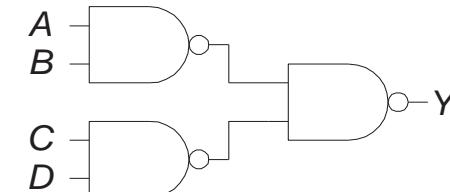
- **Forward:**

- Body changes
- Adds bubble to output



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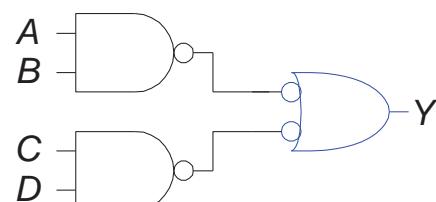
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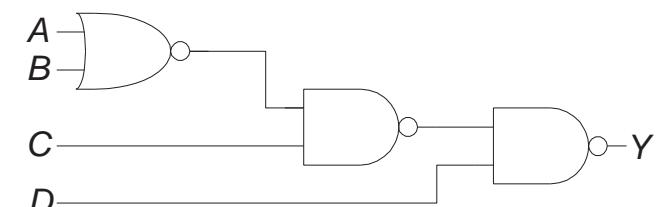


$$Y = AB + CD$$

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## Bubble pushing rules

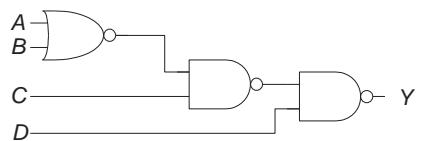
- Begin at output, then work toward inputs
- Push bubbles on final output back
- Draw gates in a form so bubbles cancel



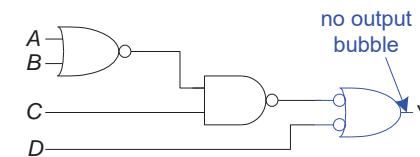
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## Bubble pushing example

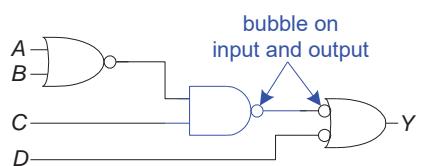
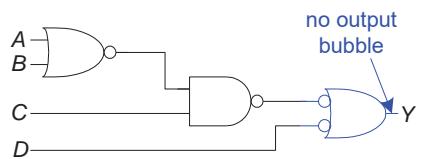


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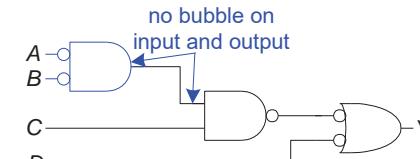
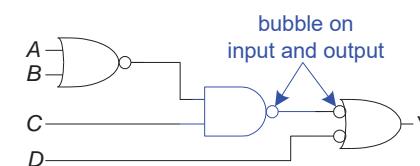
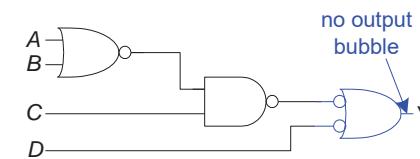
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$$Y = \bar{A}\bar{B}C + \bar{D}$$

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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:  $\neg x \vee y$

$x$	$y$	$\neg x \vee y$
0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

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0	0		
0	1		
1	0		
1	1		

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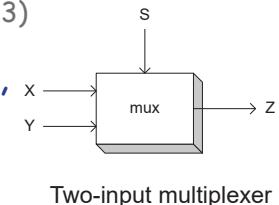
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1	1	0	0

## Truth Tables (3 of 3)

When  $S=0$ , return  $X$ ; otherwise, return  $Y$ .



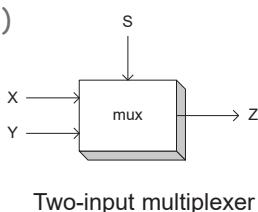
Example:  $(Y \wedge S) \vee (X \wedge \neg S)$

S	X	Y	$Y \wedge S$	$\neg S$	$X \wedge \neg S$	$(Y \wedge S) \vee (X \wedge \neg S)$
0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0
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0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	1

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## Truth Table for Functions of 2 Variables

- 2 variables lead to four possible combinations
- A 2-variable function  $f$  has to define four values

x	y	f
0	0	$v_{00}$
0	1	$v_{01}$
1	0	$v_{10}$
1	1	$v_{11}$

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## 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	1	0	0	0	0		1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1		0	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1		0	1	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
0	1	0	0	0		1		1	1
1	0	0	0	1		0		1	1
1	1	0	1	0		0		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 $x$	$x \cdot \bar{y}$	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

#### $2^8(2^3)$ 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
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
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0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
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0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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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
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## Universality of AND, OR, NOT

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

{ AND, OR, NOT } are universal.

Ex:  $\text{XOR}(x,y) = xy' + x'y$ .

Notation	Meaning
$x'$	NOT x
$x \bar{y}$	x AND y
$x + y$	x OR y

Expressing XOR Using AND, OR, NOT

x	y	$x'$	$y'$	$x'y$	$xy'$	$x'y + xy'$	$x \oplus y$
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

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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:  $(x'y')' = x + y$ .

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{NAND} is universal

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.

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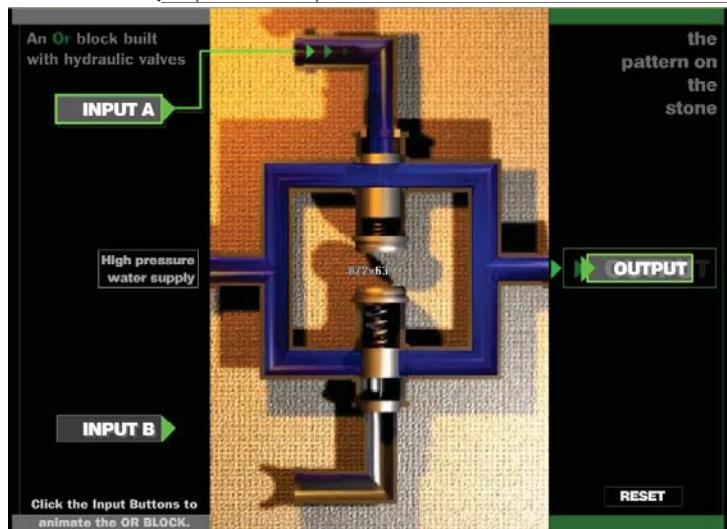
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## Implementation of gates

### Fluid switch

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

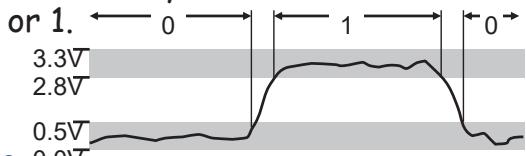


## Digital Circuits

### 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.

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## Wires

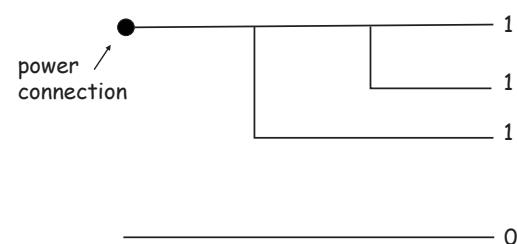
### Wires.

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.



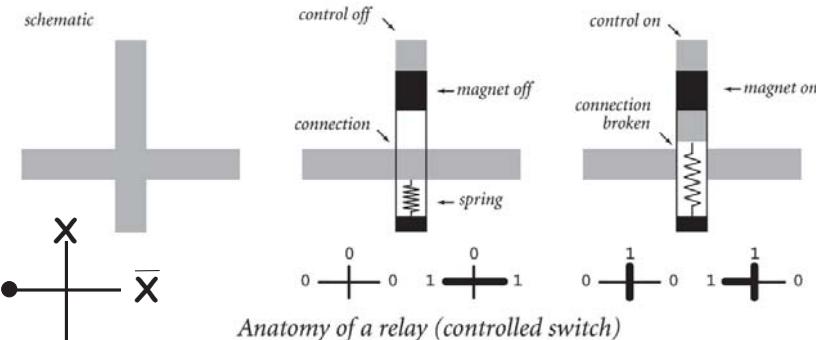
## Controlled Switch

### Controlled switch. [relay implementation]

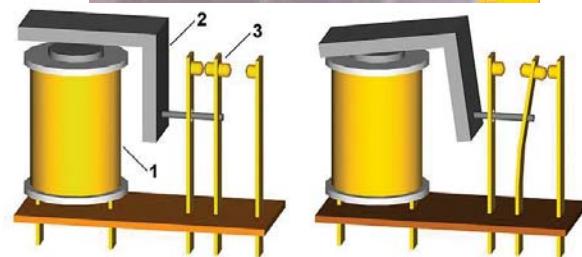
3 connections: input, output, control.

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.

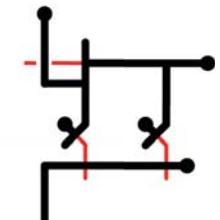
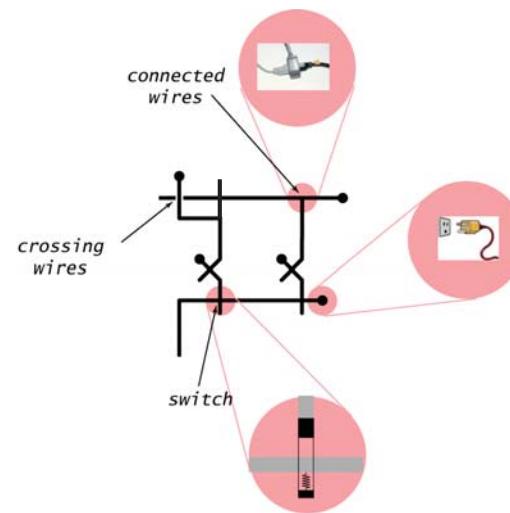


## Relay



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## Circuit Anatomy

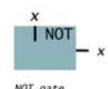


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## Logic Gates: Fundamental Building Blocks

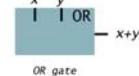
$$NOT = x'$$

x	NOT
0	1
1	0



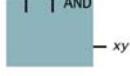
$$OR = x+y$$

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



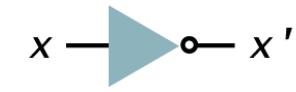
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0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

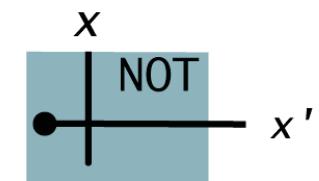


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0	1
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$$symbol$$

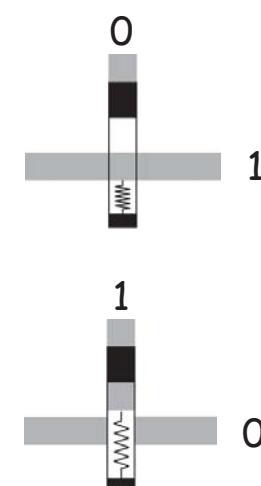
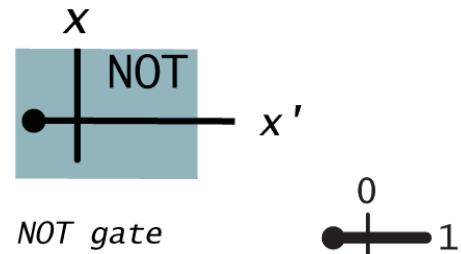


$$NOT \text{ gate}$$

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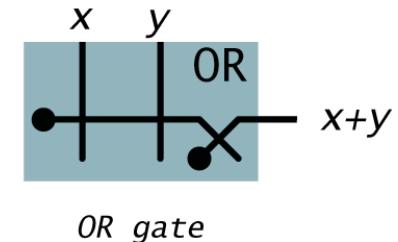
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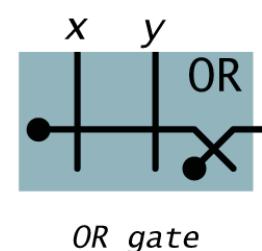
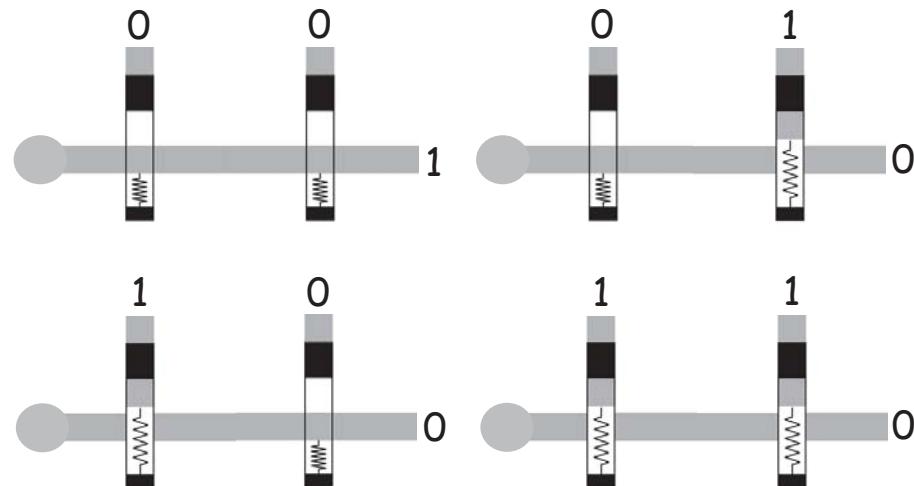
## OR

$$OR = x+y$$

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

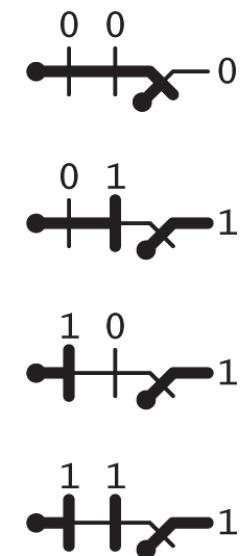


Series relays = NOR



OR

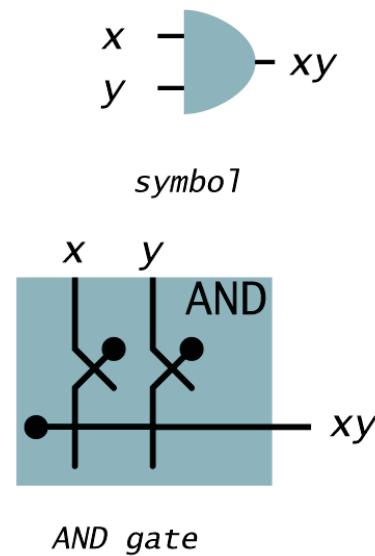
$x$	$y$	$OR$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1



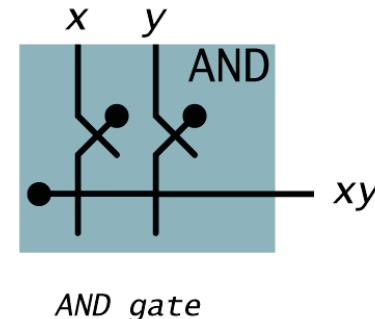
$$AND = xy$$

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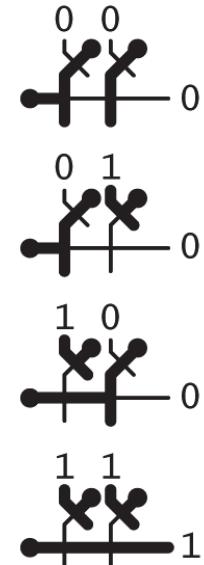
AND



AND



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



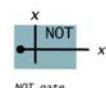
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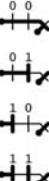
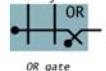
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x	NOT
0	1
1	0



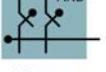
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0	0	0
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1	0	1
1	1	1



$$AND = xy$$

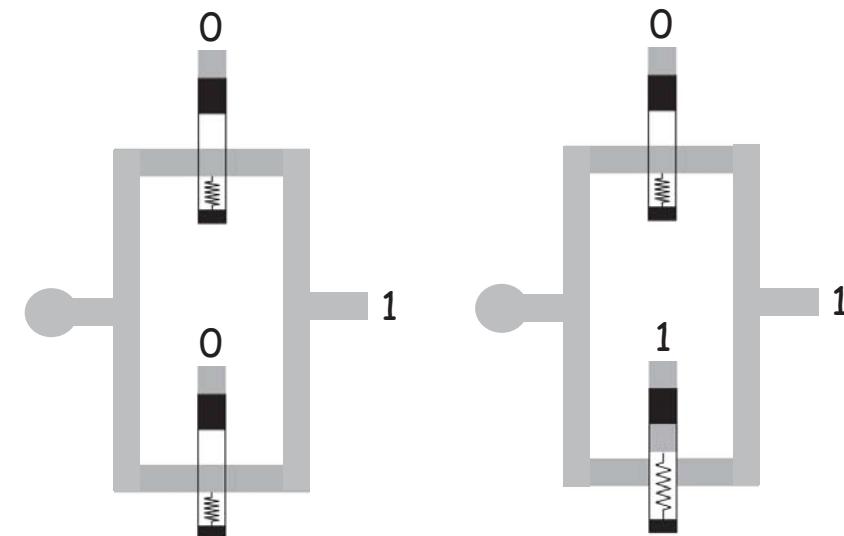
x	y	AND
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



implementations with switches

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What about parallel relays? =NAND



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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.

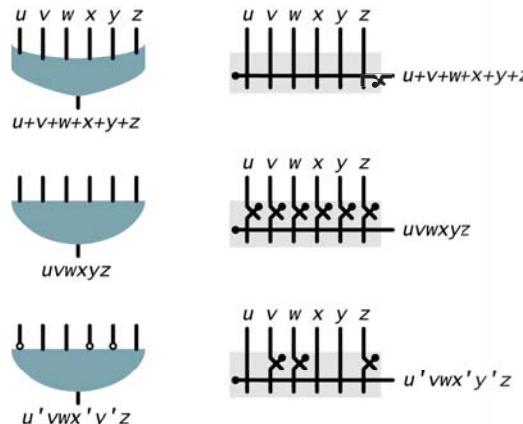


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## Multiway Gates

### Multiway gates.

OR: 1 if any input is 1; 0 otherwise.  
AND: 1 if all inputs are 1; 0 otherwise.  
Generalized: negate some inputs.

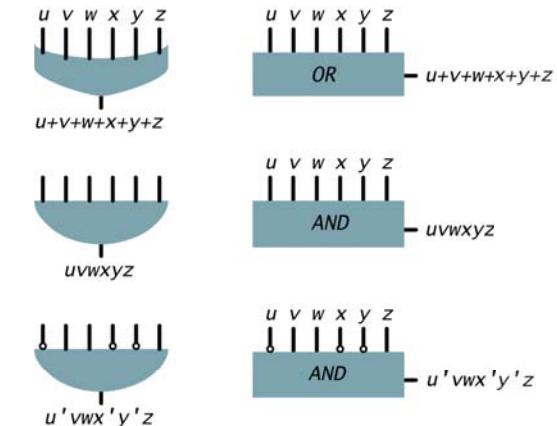


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## Multiway Gates

### Multiway gates.

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

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## Translate Boolean Formula to Boolean Circuit

Sum-of-products. XOR.

$$XOR = x'y + xy'$$

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

Truth table



Circuit

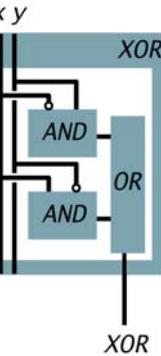
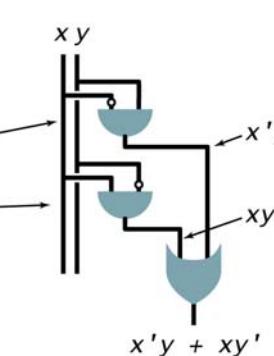
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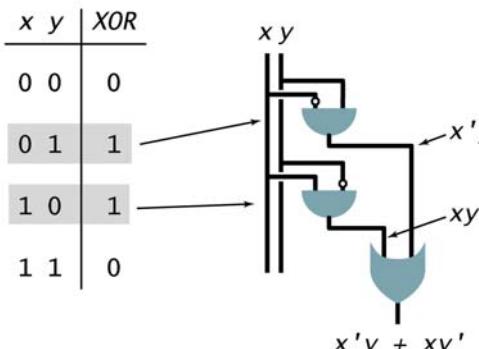


Circuit

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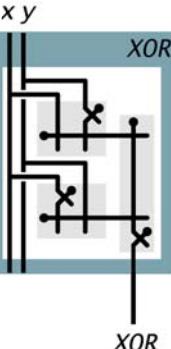
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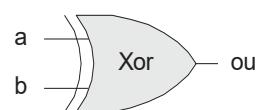
Abstract circuit



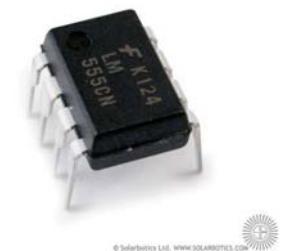
Circuit

## Gate logic

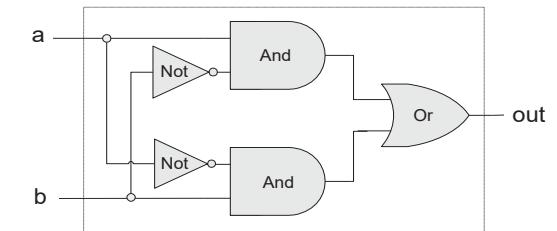
Interface



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



Implementation



$$Xor(a,b) = Or(And(a,Not(b)),And(Not(a),b))$$

## 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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## Translate Boolean Formula to Boolean Circuit

### Sum-of-products. Majority.

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

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



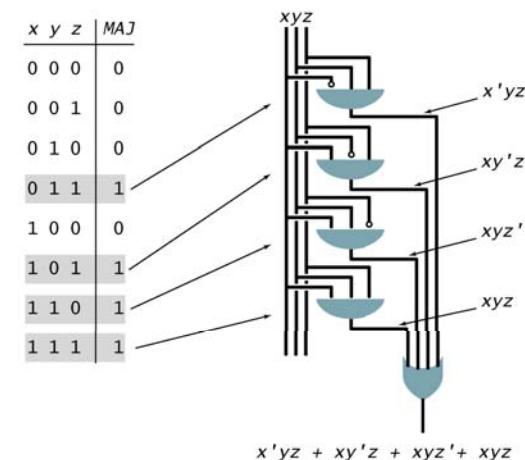
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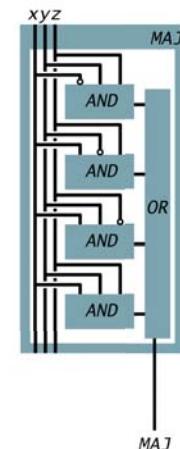
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Abstract circuit



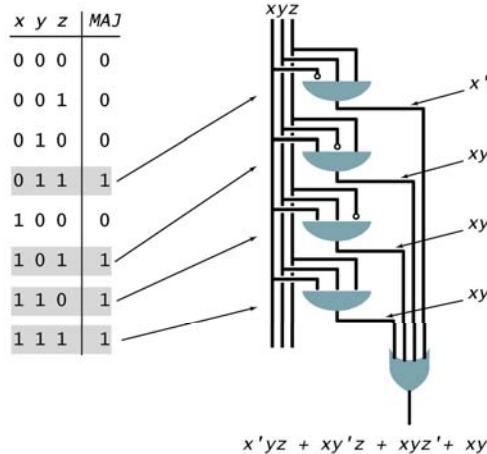
Circuit

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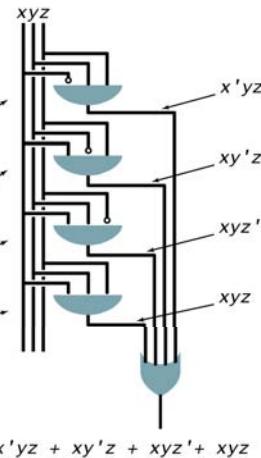
## Translate Boolean Formula to Boolean Circuit

**Sum-of-products. Majority.**

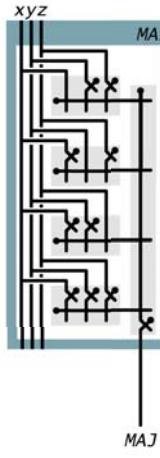
$$MAJ = x'y'z + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$



Truth table



Abstract circuit



Circuit

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## ODD Parity Circuit

**ODD(x, y, z).**

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

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.

## ODD Parity Circuit

**ODD(x, y, z).**

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

$$MAJ = x'y'z + xy'z + xyz' + xyz \quad ODD = x'y'z + x'yz' + xy'z' + xyz$$

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



MAJ

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
1	1	1	1



ODD

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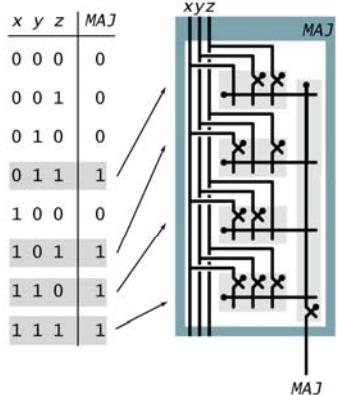
## ODD Parity Circuit

$\text{ODD}(x, y, z)$ .

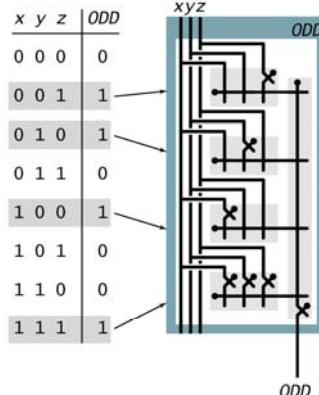
1 if odd number of inputs are 1.

0 otherwise.

$$\text{MAJ} = x'y'z + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$



$$\text{ODD} = x'y'z + x'y'z' + xy'z' + xyz$$



## Simplification Using Boolean Algebra

Every function can be written as sum-of-product

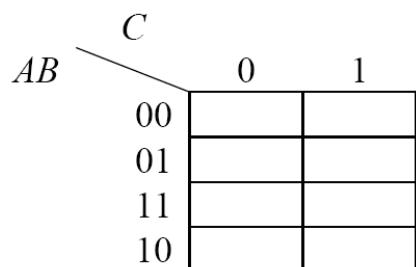
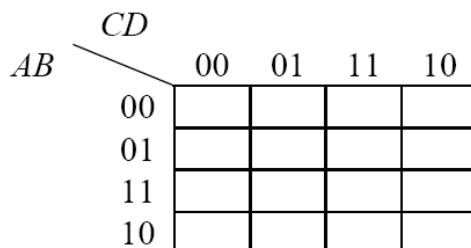
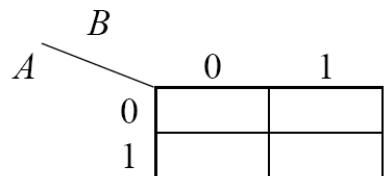
Many possible circuits for each Boolean function.

Sum-of-products not necessarily optimal in:

- number of switches (space)
- depth of circuit (time)

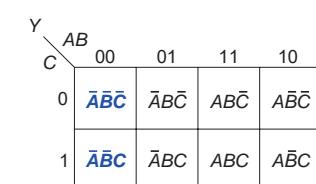
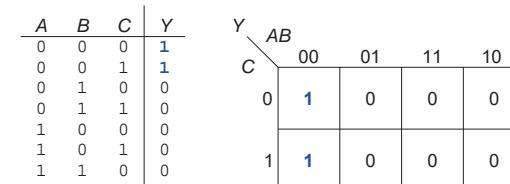
## Boolean expression simplification

### Karnaugh map



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

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

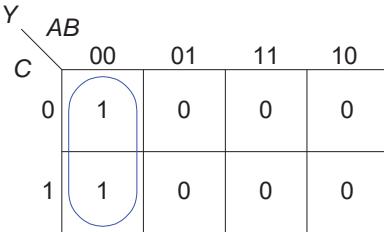


## Karnaugh Maps (K-Maps)

## K-Map

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

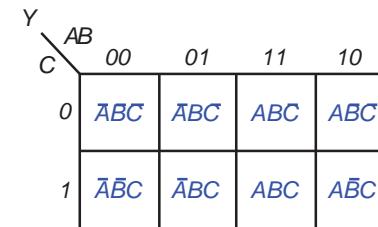
A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0



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

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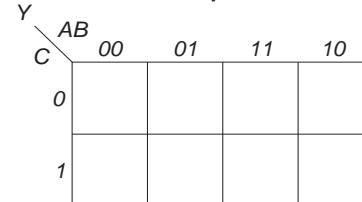
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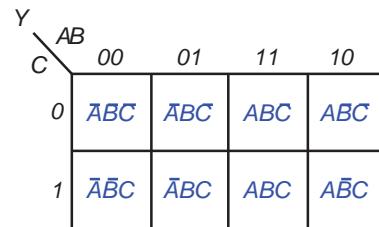
Truth Table

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	1
1	1	1	0

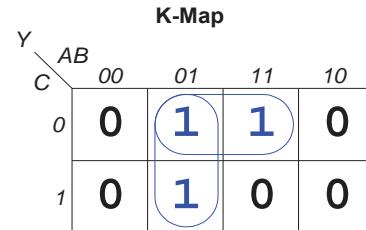
K-Map



## 3-Input K-Map



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	1
1	1	1	0



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

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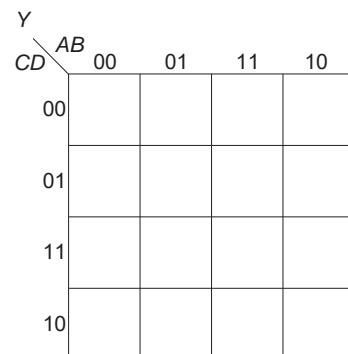
- Every 1 must be circled at least once
- Each circle must span a power of 2 (i.e. 1, 2, 4) squares in each direction
- Each circle must be as large as possible
- A circle may wrap around the edges
- A "don't care" (X) is circled only if it helps minimize the equation

## K-Map Rules

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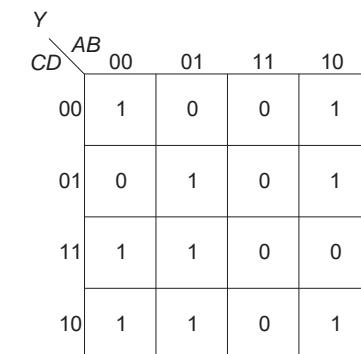
## 4-Input K-Map

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



## 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
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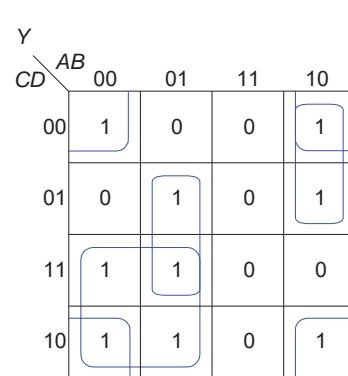


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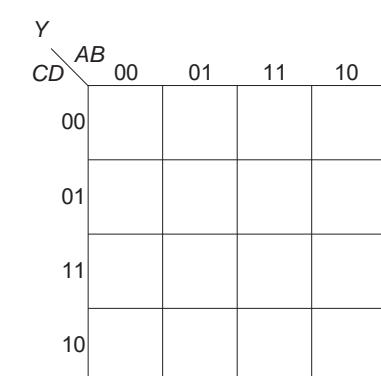
A	B	C	D	Y
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	1	1
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1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0
1	1	1	0	0



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

## 4-Input K-Map with Don't care

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
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1	1	0	1	1
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1	1	1	0	X

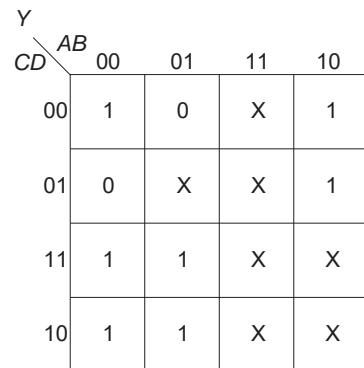


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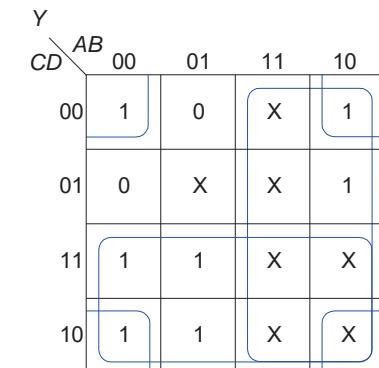
## 4-Input K-Map with Don't care

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
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



## 4-Input K-Map with Don't care

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
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	X
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1	1	0	1	X
1	1	1	0	X
1	1	1	1	X



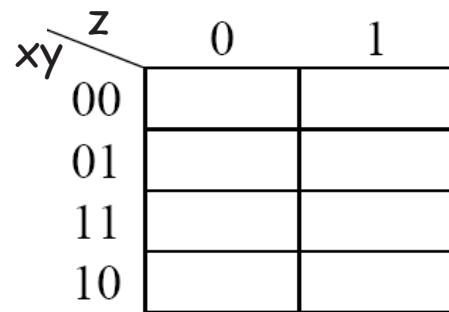
$$Y = A + \bar{B}\bar{D} + C$$

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## Example

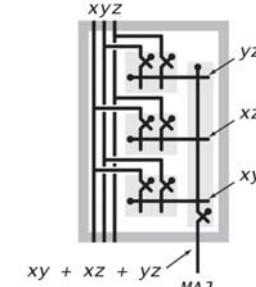
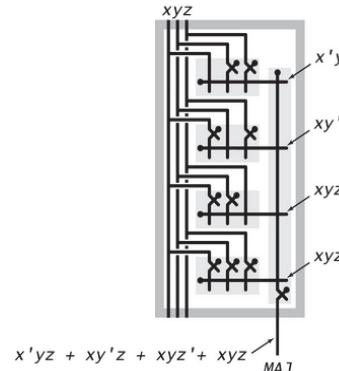
$$\text{MAJ} = x'y'z + xy'z + xyz' + xyz$$

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



Many possible circuits for each Boolean function.  
Sum-of-products not necessarily optimal in:  
- number of switches (space)  
- depth of circuit (time)

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



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### Layers of abstraction.

Build a circuit from wires and switches.

[implementation]

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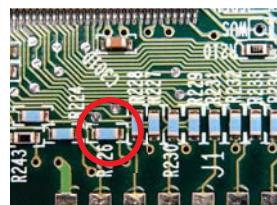
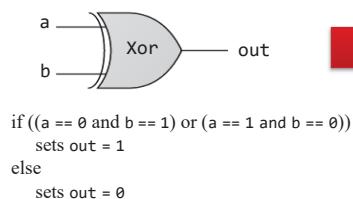
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### Building a chip



### The process

- Design the chip architecture
- Specify the architecture in HDL
- Test the chip in a hardware simulator
- Optimize the design
- Realize the optimized design in silicon.

## Layers of Abstraction

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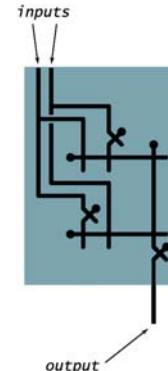
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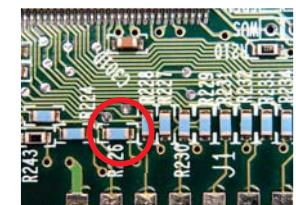
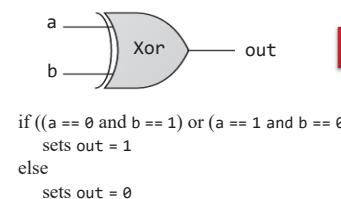
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### Building a chip



### The process

- ✓ Design the chip architecture
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# Chip design

## XOR

```
Chip name: Xor
Inputs: a, b
Outputs: out
Function: If a≠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.

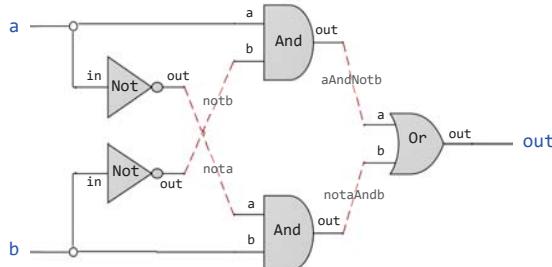
Step 4: transform Boolean expression into circuit/implement it using HDL.

You would like to test the gate before packaging.

a b out

0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

## Chip interfaces



```
CHIP Xor {
    IN a, b;
    OUT out;

    PARTS:
        Not (in= , out= );
        Not (in= , out= );
        And (a= , b=, out= );
        And (a= , b=, out= );
        Or (a= , b=, out= );
}
```

If I want to use some chip-parts,  
how do I figure out their signatures?



## Chip interfaces: [Hack chip set API](#)

```
Add16 (a= ,b= ,out= );
ALU (x= ,y= ,zx= ,nx= ,zy= ,ny= ,f= ,no= ,out= ,zr= ,ng= );
And16 (a= ,b= ,out= );
And (a= ,b= ,out= );
Aregister (in= ,load= ,out= );
Bit (in= ,load= ,out= );
CPU (inM= ,instruction= ,reset= ,outM= ,writeM= ,ad=
DFF (in= ,out= );
DMux4Way (in= ,sel= ,a= ,b= ,c= ,d= );
DMux8Way (in= ,sel= ,a= ,b= ,c= ,d= ,e= ,f= ,g= ,h=
Dmux (in= ,sel= ,a= ,b= );
Dregister (in= ,load= ,out= );
FullAdder (a= ,b= ,c= ,sum= ,carry= );
HalfAdder (a= ,b= ,sum= , carry= );
Inc16 (in= ,out= );
Keyboard (out= );
Memory (in= ,load= ,address= ,out= );
Mux16 (a= ,b= ,sel= ,out= );
Mux4Way16 (a= ,b= ,c= ,d= ,sel= ,out= );
Mux8Way16 (a= ,b= ,c= ,d= ,e= ,f= ,g= ,h= ,sel= ,o=
```

Open the Hack chip set API in a window, and copy-paste chip signatures into your HDL code, as needed

```
Mux8Way (a= ,b= ,c= ,d= ,e= ,f= ,g= ,h= ,sel= ,out= );
Mux (a= ,b= ,sel= ,out= );
Nand (a= ,b= ,out= );
Not16 (in= ,out= );
Not (in= ,out= );
Or16 (a= ,b= ,out= );
Or8Way (in= ,out= );
Or (a= ,b= ,out= );
PC (in= ,load= ,inc= ,reset= ,out= );
PCLoadLogic (cinstr= ,j1= ,j2= ,j3= ,load= ,inc= );
RAM16K (in= ,load= ,address= ,out= );
RAM4K (in= ,load= ,address= ,out= );
RAM512 (in= ,load= ,address= ,out= );
RAM64 (in= ,load= ,address= ,out= );
RAM8 (in= ,load= ,address= ,out= );
Register (in= ,load= ,out= );
ROM32K (address= ,out= );
Screen (in= ,load= ,address= ,out= );
Xor (a= ,b= ,out= );
```

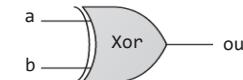
## Built-in chips

```
CHIP Foo {  
    IN ...;  
    OUT ...;  
  
    PARTS:  
    ...  
    Bar(...)  
    ...  
}
```

Q: Suppose you want to use a chip-part before you've implemented it. How to do it?

A: The simulator features built-in implementations of all the project 1 chips

## Design: Requirements



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

```
if ((a == 0 and b == 1) or (a == 1 and b == 0))  
    sets out = 1  
else  
    sets out = 1
```

Requirement  
Build a chip that delivers this functionality

Forcing the simulator to use a built-in chip, say `Bar`:

- Typically, `Bar.hdl` will be either a given stub-file, or a file that has an incomplete implementation
- Remove, or rename, the file `Bar.hdl` from the project folder
- Whenever `Bar` will be mentioned as a chip-part in some chip definition, the simulator will fail to find `Bar.hdl` in the current folder. This will cause the simulator to invoke the built-in version of `Bar` instead.

```
/** Sets out = (a And Not(b)) Or (Not(a) And b) */  
CHIP Xor {  
    IN a, b;  
    OUT out;  
  
    PARTS:  
        // Missing implementation
```

Gate Interface  
Expressed as an HDL *stub file*

## Design: Implementation

```
/** Sets out = (a And Not(b)) Or (Not(a) And b) */  
CHIP Xor {  
    IN a, b;  
    OUT out;  
  
    PARTS:  
        // Missing implementation
```

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Expressed as an HDL *stub file*

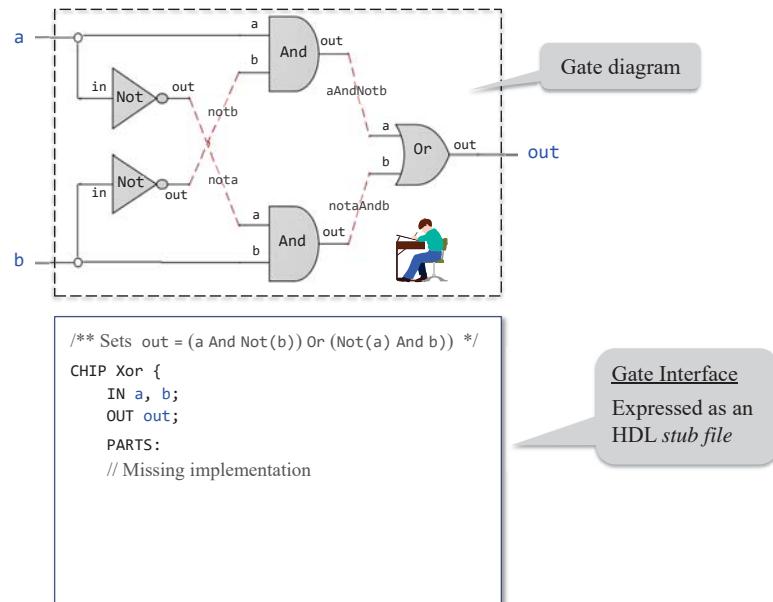
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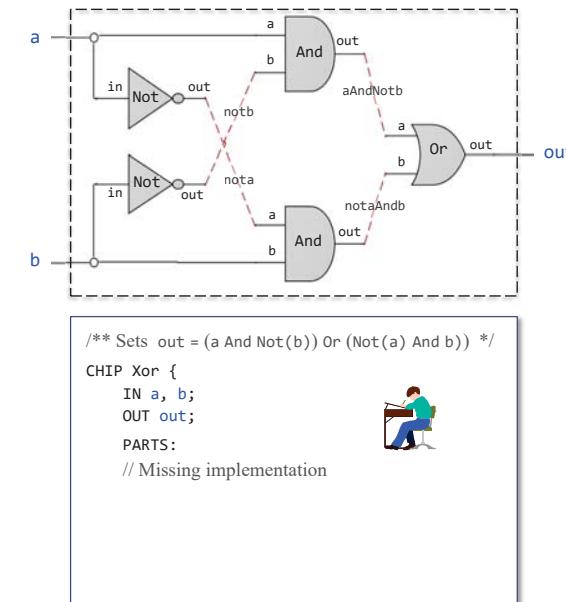
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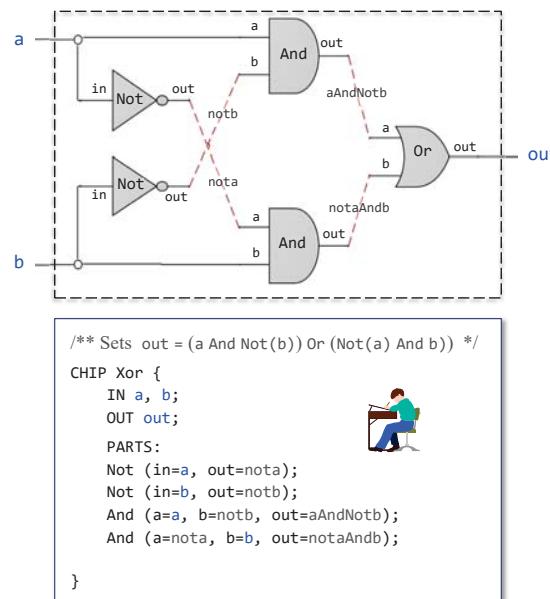
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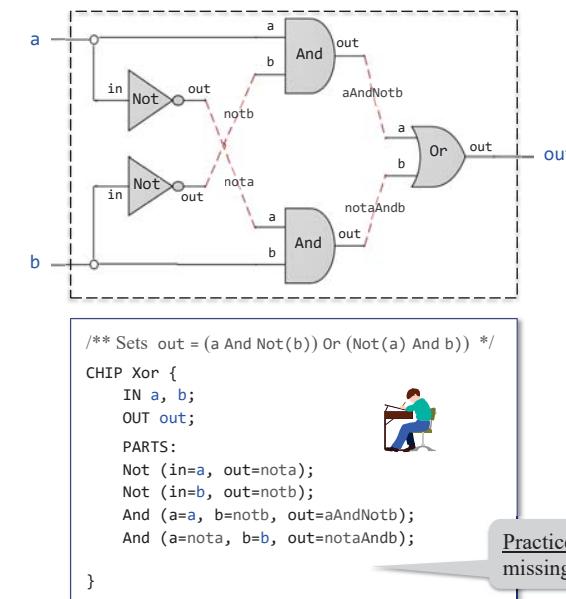
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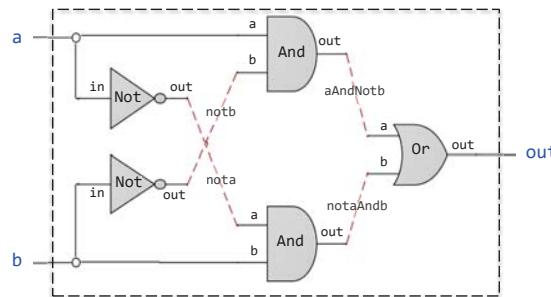
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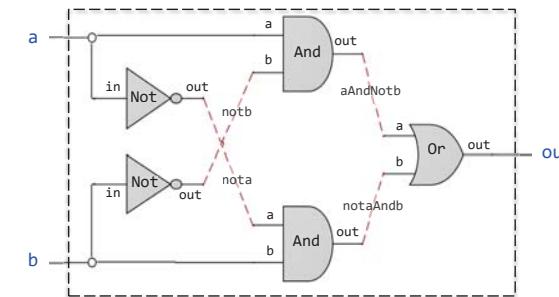


## Design: Implementation



```
/** Sets out = (a And Not(b)) Or (Not(a) And b) */
CHIP Xor {
    IN a, b;
    OUT out;
    PARTS:
        Not (in=a, out=nota);
        Not (in=b, out=notb);
        And (a=a, b=notb, out=aAndNotb);
        And (a=nota, b=b, out=notaAndb);
        Or (a=aAndNotb, b=notaAndb, out=out);
}
```

## Design: Implementation



```
/* Sets out = (a And Not(b)) Or (Not(a) And b) */
CHIP Xor {
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    OUT out;
    PARTS:
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        Not (in=b, out=notb);
        And (a=a, b=notb, out=aAndNotb);
        And (a=nota, b=b, out=notaAndb);
        Or (a=aAndNotb, b=notaAndb, out=out);}
```

## Hardware description languages

### Observations:

- HDL is a functional / declarative language
- An HDL program can be viewed as a textual specification of a chip diagram
- The order of HDL statements is insignificant.

```
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CHIP Xor {
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    OUT out;
    PARTS:
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        Not (in=b, out=notb);
        And (a=a, b=notb, out=aAndNotb);
        And (a=nota, b=b, out=notaAndb);
        Or (a=aAndNotb, b=notaAndb, out=out);
}
```

## Hardware description languages

### Common HDLs

- VHDL
- Verilog
- ...

### Our HDL

- Similar in spirit to other HDLs
- Minimal and simple
- Provides all you need for this course

Our HDL Guide / Documentation:

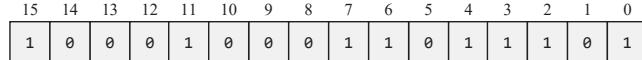
[The Elements of Computing Systems / Appendix 2: HDL](#)

```
/** Sets out = (a And Not(b)) Or (Not(a) And b) */
CHIP Xor {
    IN a, b;
    OUT out;
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        Not (in=b, out=notb);
        And (a=a, b=notb, out=aAndNotb);
        And (a=nota, b=b, out=notaAndb);
        Or (a=aAndNotb, b=notaAndb, out=out);}
```

## Multi-bit bus

- Sometimes we wish to manipulate a *sequence of bits* as a single entity
- Such a multi-bit entity is termed “bus”

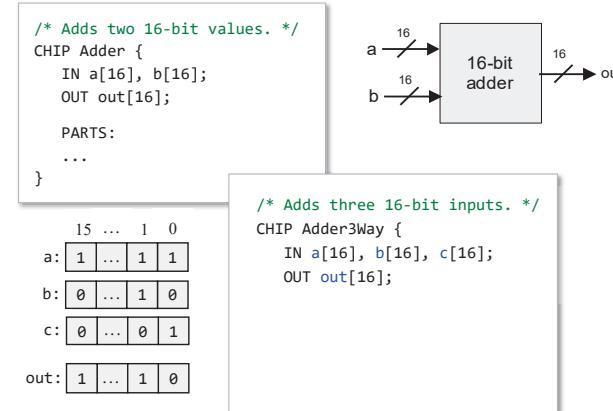
### Example: 16-bit bus



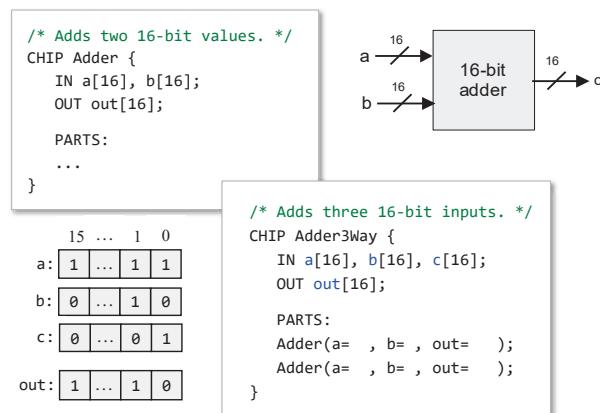
MSB = Most significant bit

LSB = Least significant bit

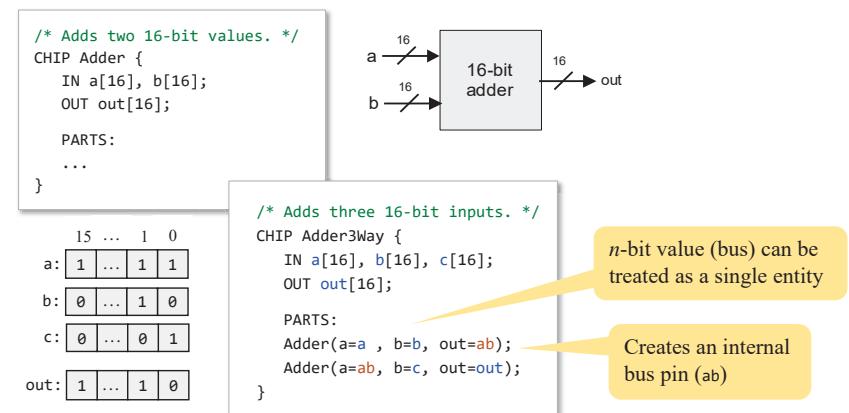
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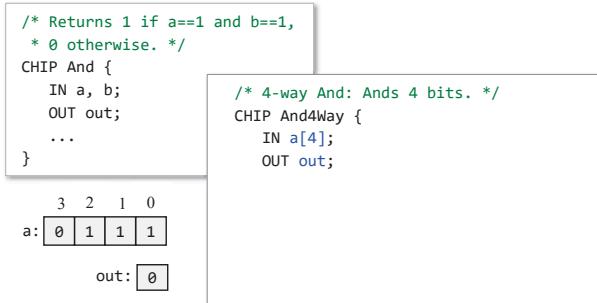
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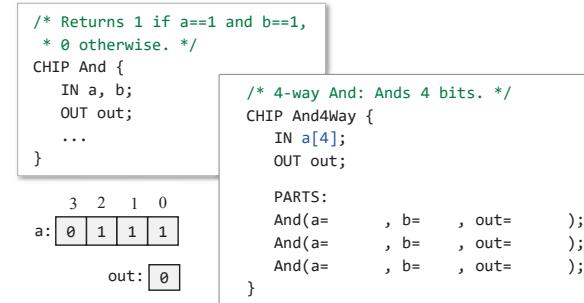
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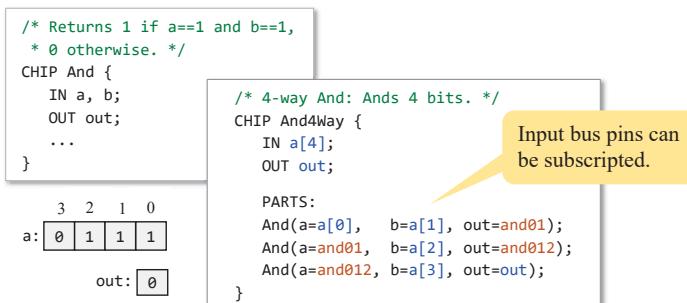
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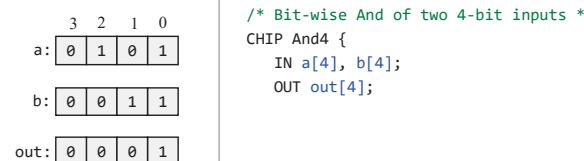
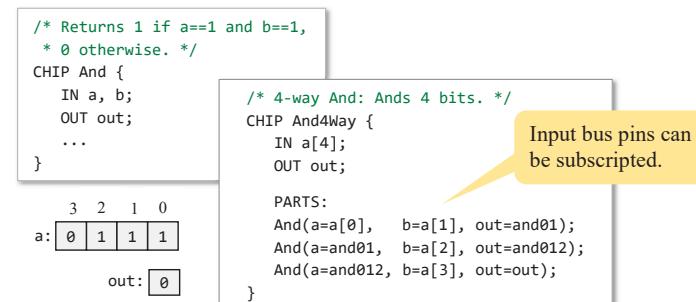
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## Working with individual bits within buses

```

/* Returns 1 if a==1 and b==1,
 * 0 otherwise. */
CHIP And {
    IN a, b;
    OUT out;
    ...
}

3 2 1 0
a: [0 | 1 | 1 | 1]
out: [0]

/* 4-way And: Ands 4 bits. */
CHIP And4Way {
    IN a[4];
    OUT out;

    PARTS:
        And(a=a[0], b=a[1], out=and01);
        And(a=and01, b=a[2], out=and012);
        And(a=and012, b=a[3], out=out);
}

```

Input bus pins can be subscripted.

```

3 2 1 0
a: [0 | 1 | 0 | 1]
b: [0 | 0 | 1 | 1]
out: [0 | 0 | 0 | 1]

/* Bit-wise And of two 4-bit inputs */
CHIP And4 {
    IN a[4], b[4];
    OUT out[4];

    PARTS:
        And(a= , b= , out= );
        And(a= , b= , out= );
        And(a= , b= , out= );
        And(a= , b= , out= );
}

```

## Working with individual bits within buses

```

/* Returns 1 if a==1 and b==1,
 * 0 otherwise. */
CHIP And {
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    OUT out;
    ...
}

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a: [0 | 1 | 1 | 1]
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    OUT out;

    PARTS:
        And(a=a[0], b=a[1], out=and01);
        And(a=and01, b=a[2], out=and012);
        And(a=and012, b=a[3], out=out);
}

```

Input bus pins can be subscripted.

```

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a: [0 | 1 | 0 | 1]
b: [0 | 0 | 1 | 1]
out: [0 | 0 | 0 | 1]

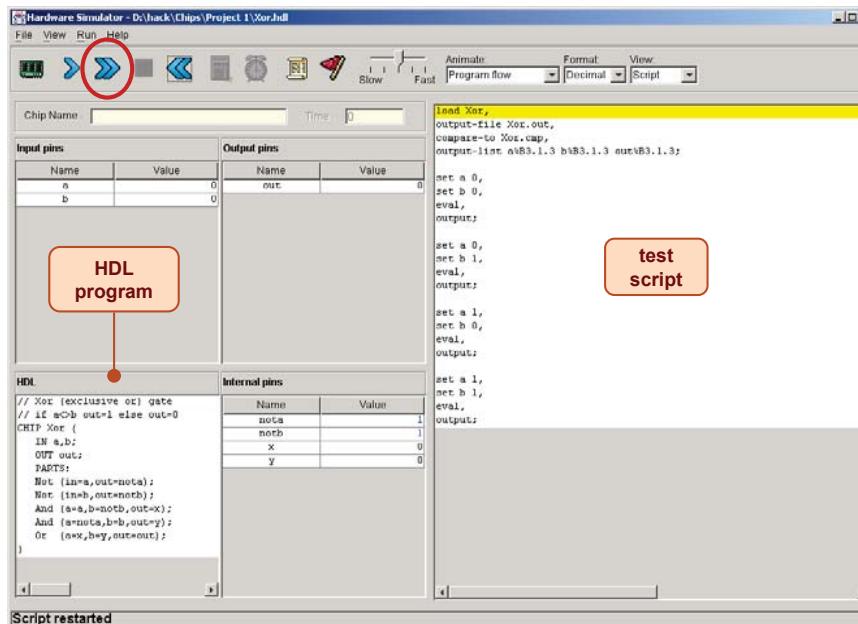
/* Bit-wise And of two 4-bit inputs */
CHIP And4 {
    IN a[4], b[4];
    OUT out[4];

    PARTS:
        And(a=a[0], b=b[0], out=out[0]);
        And(a=a[1], b=b[1], out=out[1]);
        And(a=a[2], b=b[2], out=out[2]);
        And(a=a[3], b=b[3], out=out[3]);
}

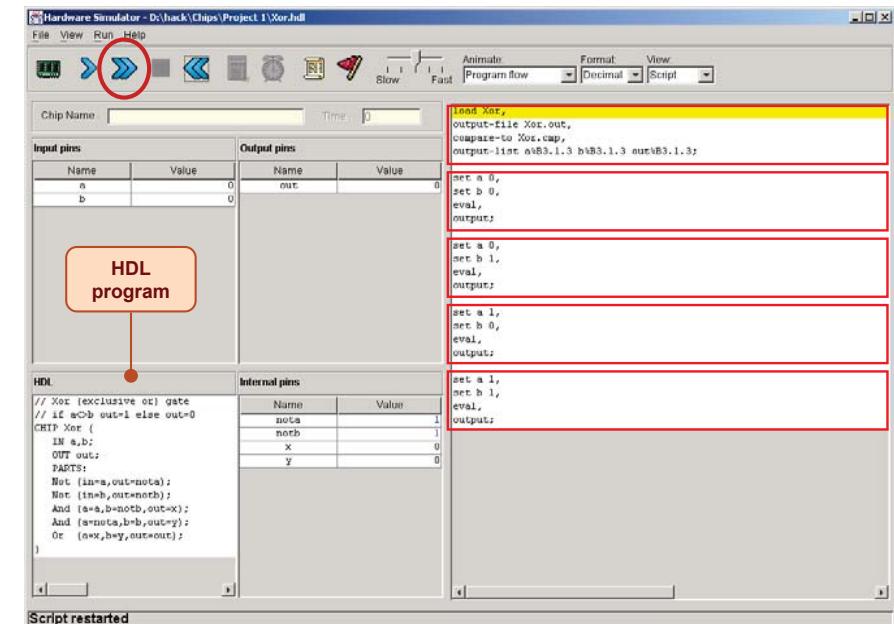
```

Output bus pins can be subscripted

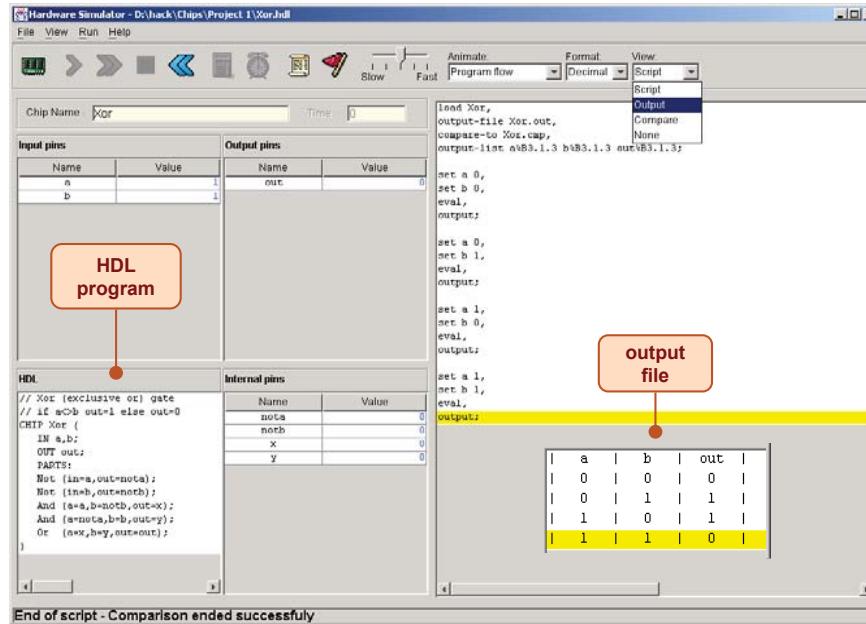
## Hardware simulator (demonstrating Xor gate construction)



## Hardware simulator



## Hardware simulator



Project materials: [www.nand2tetris.org](http://www.nand2tetris.org)

The screenshot shows the 'From NAND to Tetris' project website. The main page features a logo of a character with a red cap and a stack of colored blocks. The navigation menu includes 'Home', 'Projects', 'Book', 'Software', 'Media', 'Cool Stuff', 'Terms', 'Q&A', and 'About'. The 'Projects' menu is currently selected.

**Project 1: Logic Gates**

**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.

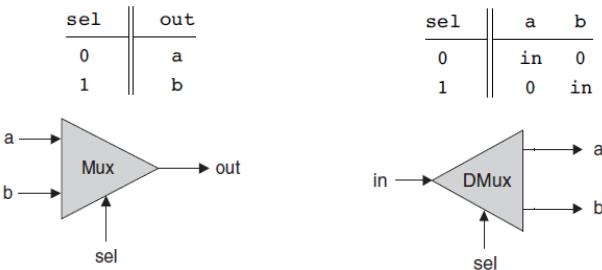
**Chip name:** Or  
**Inputs:** a, b  
**Outputs:** out  
**Function:** If a=b=0 then out=0 else out=1.

**Chip name:** Xor  
**Inputs:** a, b  
**Outputs:** out  
**Function:** If a≠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}.



## 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-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)

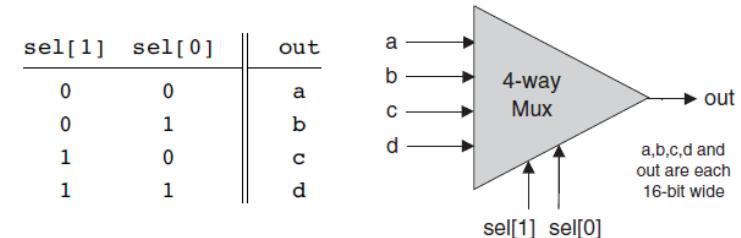


Figure 1.10 4-way multiplexor. The width of the input and output buses may vary.

sel[1]	sel[0]	a	b	c	d
0	0	in	0	0	0
0	1	0	in	0	0
1	0	0	0	in	0
1	1	0	0	0	in

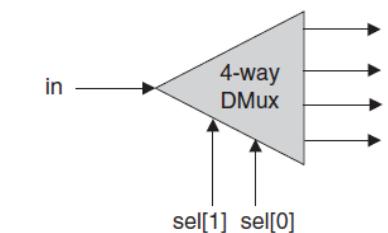


Figure 1.11 4-way demultiplexor.

## 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}.
```