

# DIGITAL LOGIC(H)

## Chapter 4 part1: Combinational Logic

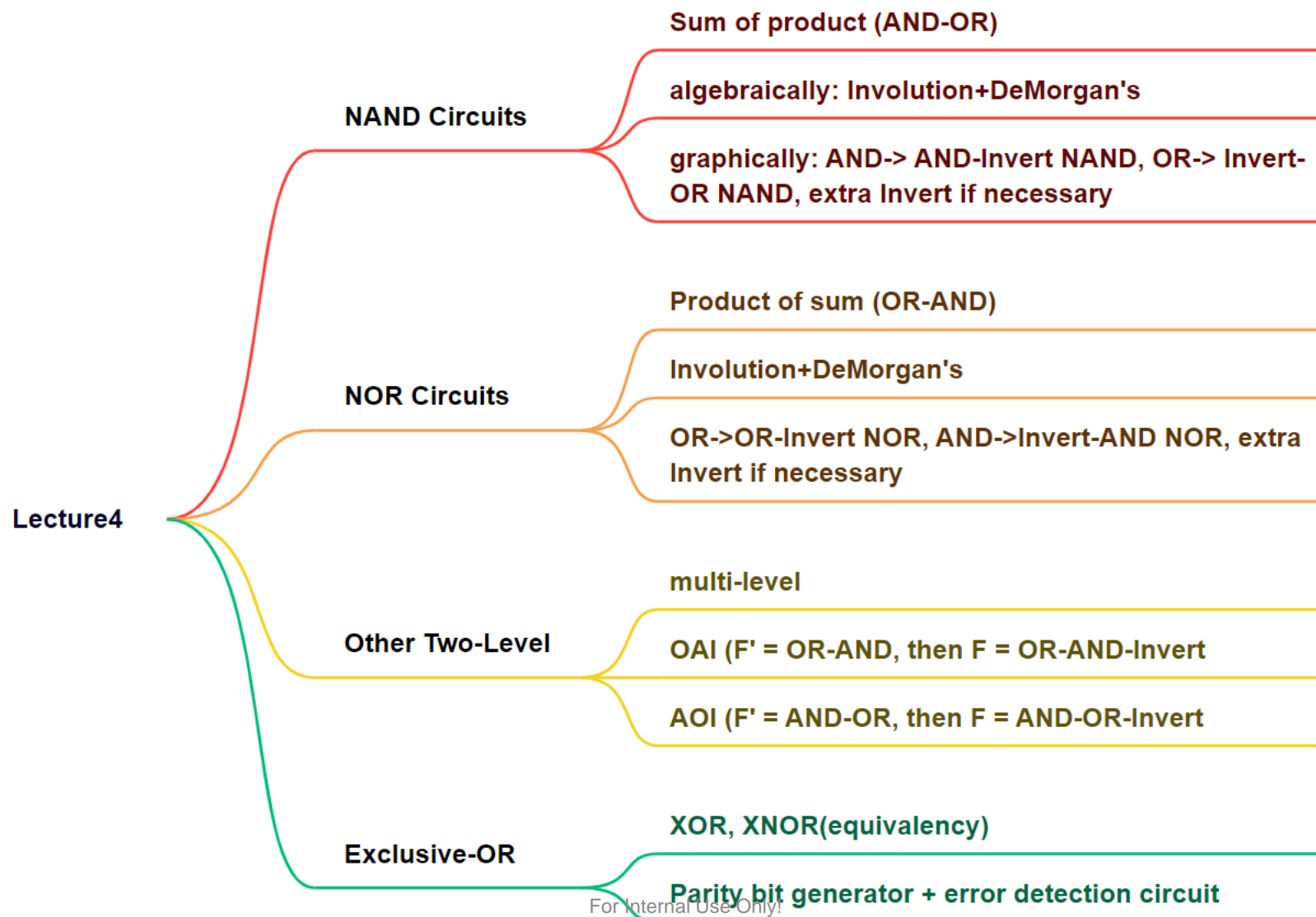
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# Today's Agenda

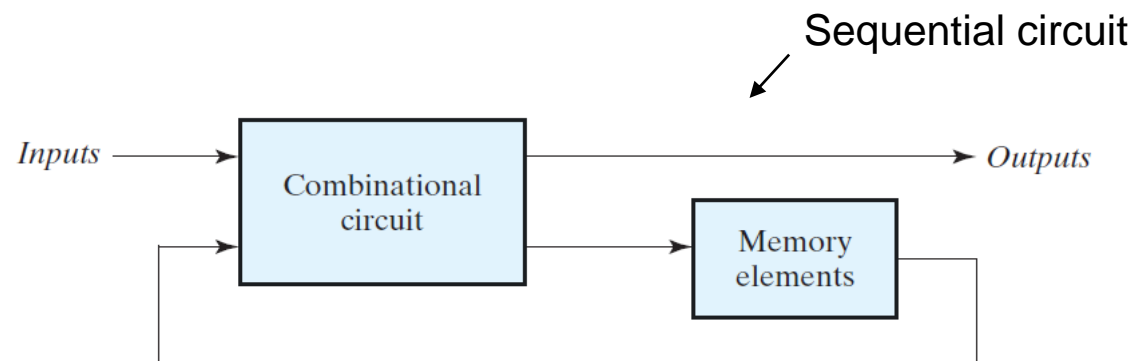
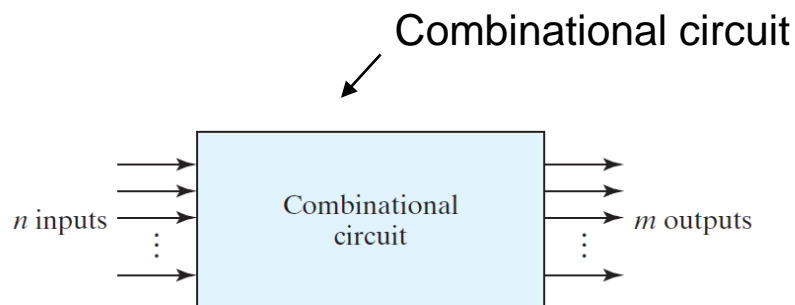
- Recap
- Context
  - Combinational Circuits
    - Analysis of Combinational Circuits
    - Design Procedure
  - Basic Components
    - Magnitude Comparator
- Reading: Textbook, Chapter 4.1-4.4, 4.8

# Recap



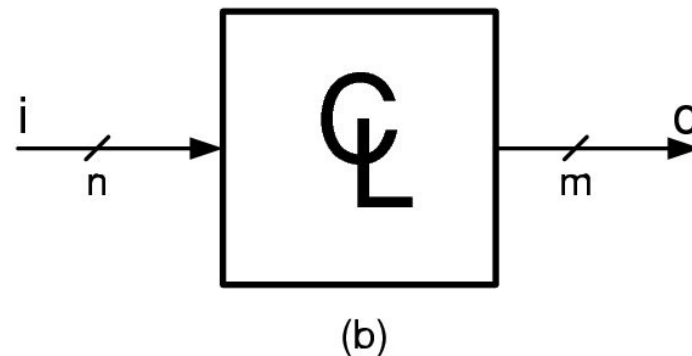
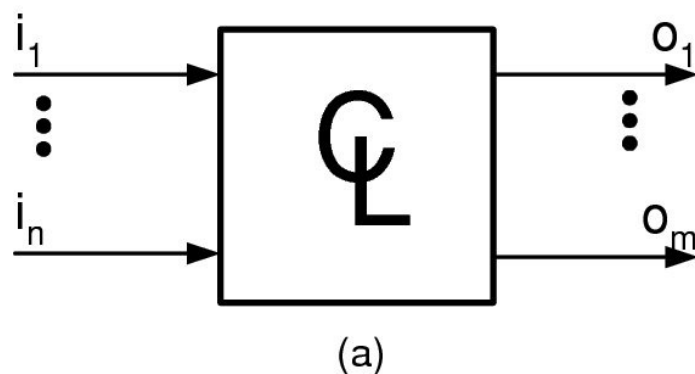
# Logic Circuits for the Digital System

- Combinational circuits
  - Logic circuits whose outputs at any time are determined directly and only from the present input combination.
- Sequential circuits (next chapter)
  - Circuits that employ memory elements + (combinational) logic gates
  - Outputs are determined from the present input combination as well as the state of the memory cells.



# Combinational Logic Circuits

- Memoryless:  $o=f(i)$ 
  - Used for control, arithmetic, and data steering.
  - such as adders, subtractors, comparators, decoders, encoders, and multiplexers.
  - These components are available in integrated circuits as medium-scale integration (MSI) circuits



# Outline

- **Analysis of Combinational Circuits**
- Design of Combinational Circuits
- Gate Delays

# Analysis Procedure

- Analysis of a combinational circuit: determine the function of the circuit.
  - From given logic diagram,
  - Aim to develop a set of Boolean functions, a truth table, an optional explanation of the circuit operation.
  - If a function name or an explanation is given along the circuit, just verify if the given information is correct.

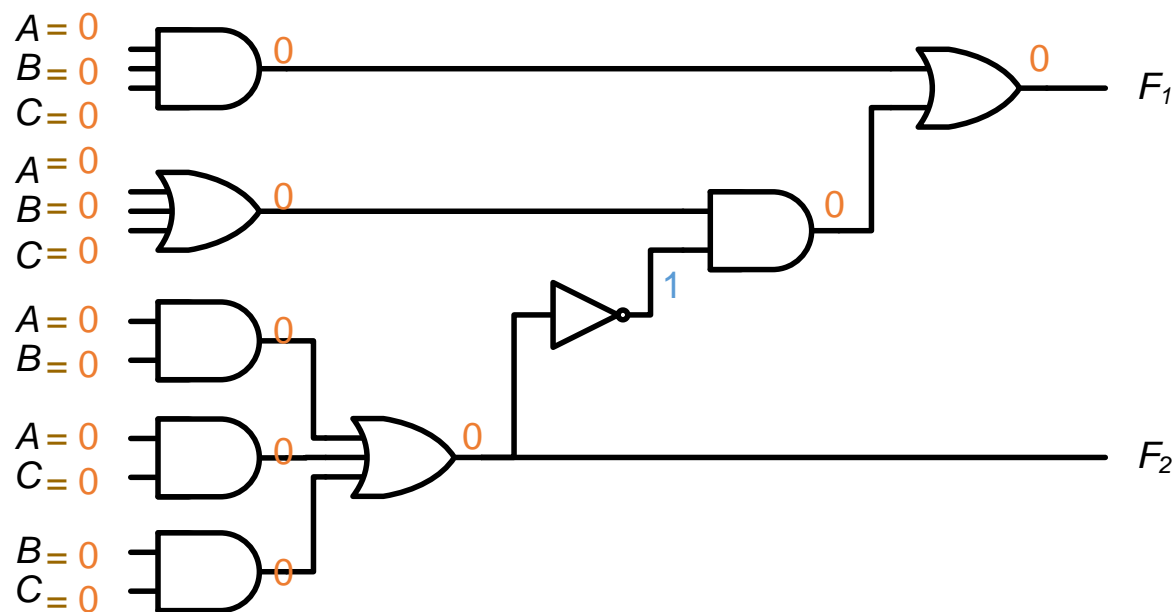
# Analysis with Truth Table: Steps

- Derivation of truth table for  $n$  input variables
  - List all the  $2^n$  input combinations from 0 to  $2^n-1$ .
  - Partition the circuit into small single-output blocks and label the output of each block.
  - Obtain the truth table of the blocks depending on the input variables only.
  - Proceed to obtain the truth tables for other blocks that depend on previously defined truth tables.
- Then determine the function of the circuit (e.g. using K-map)
- Explain the functionality of the circuit if necessary



# Analysis with Truth Table: Example

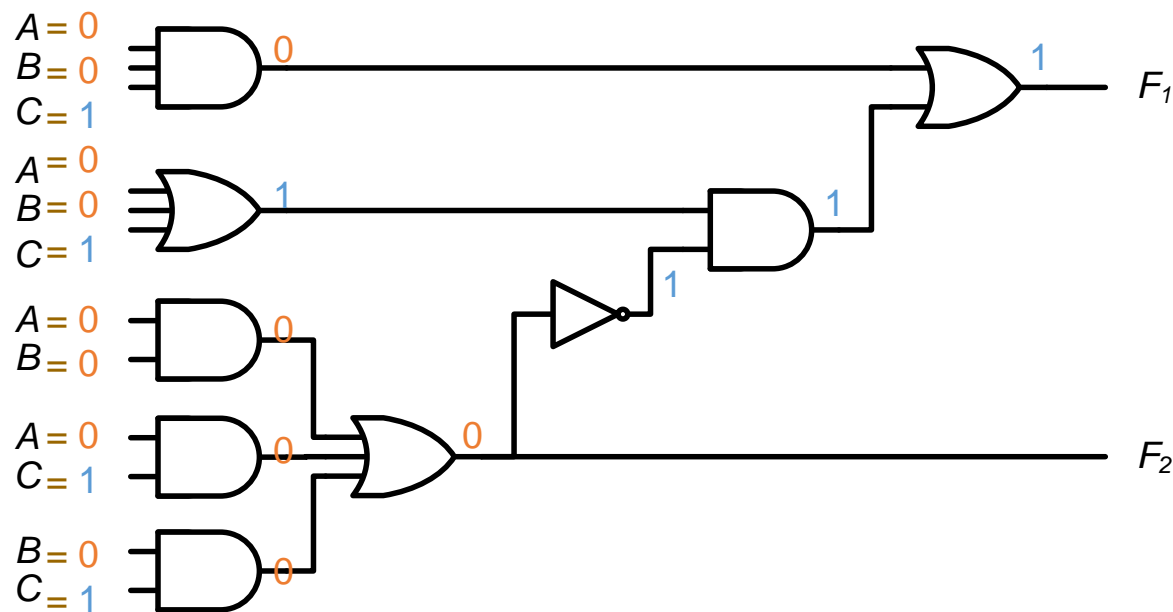
- Truth Table Approach



A	B	C	$F_1$	$F_2$
0	0	0	0	0

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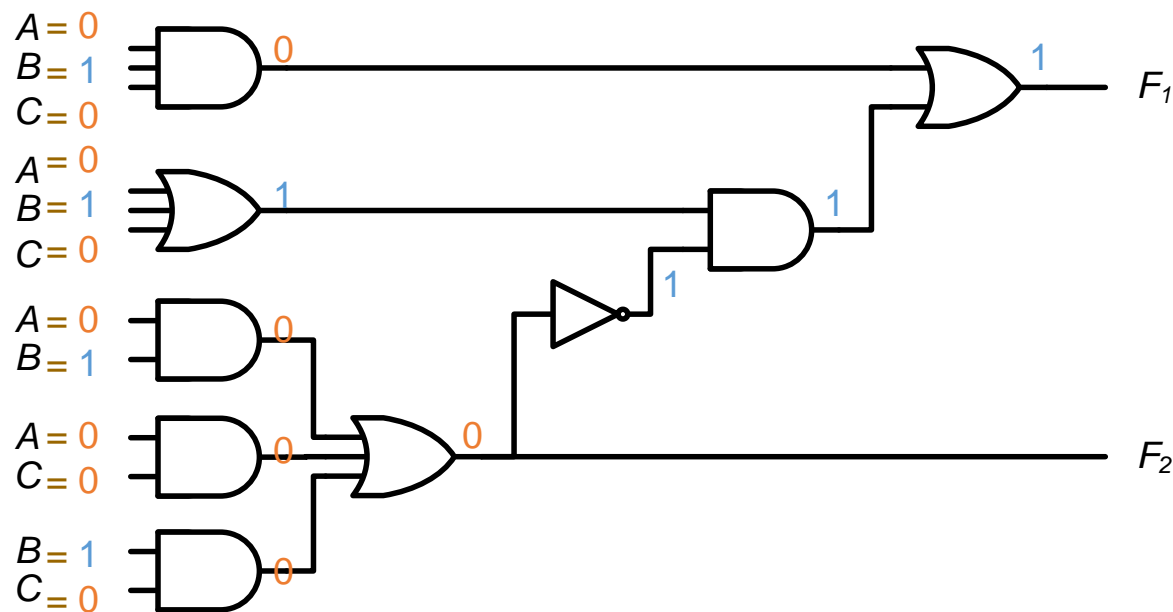
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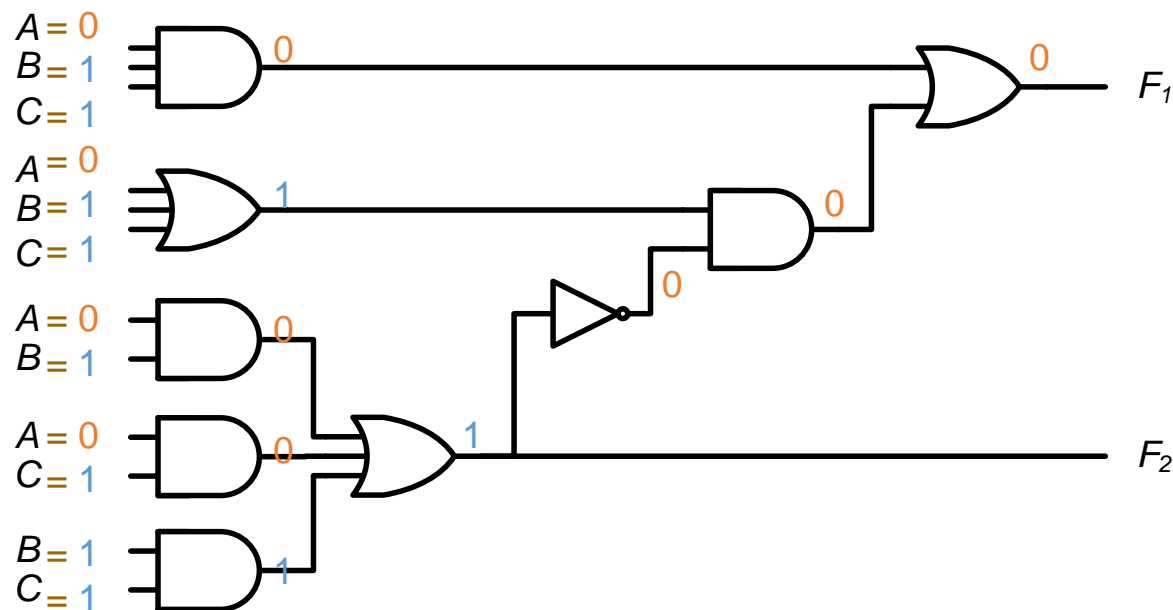
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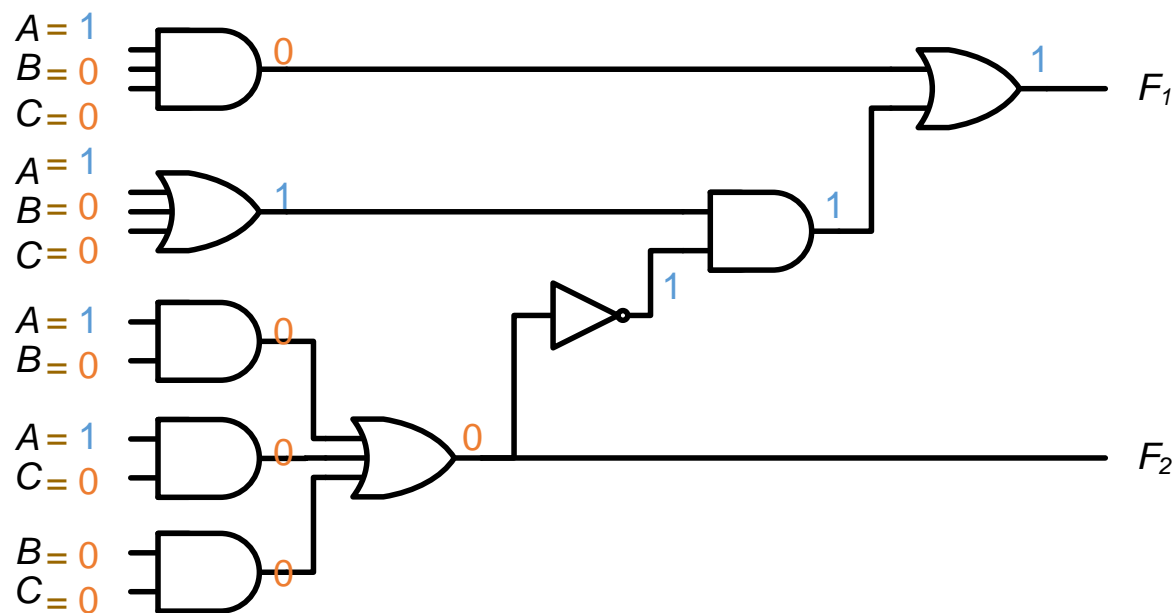
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A	B	C	$F_1$	$F_2$
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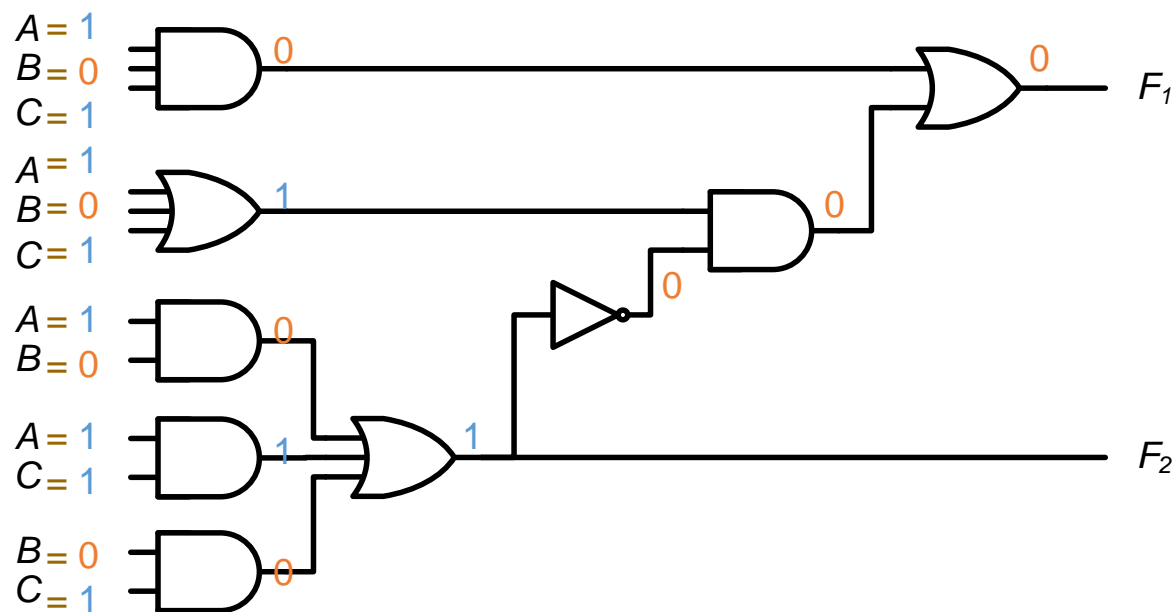
- Truth Table Approach



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

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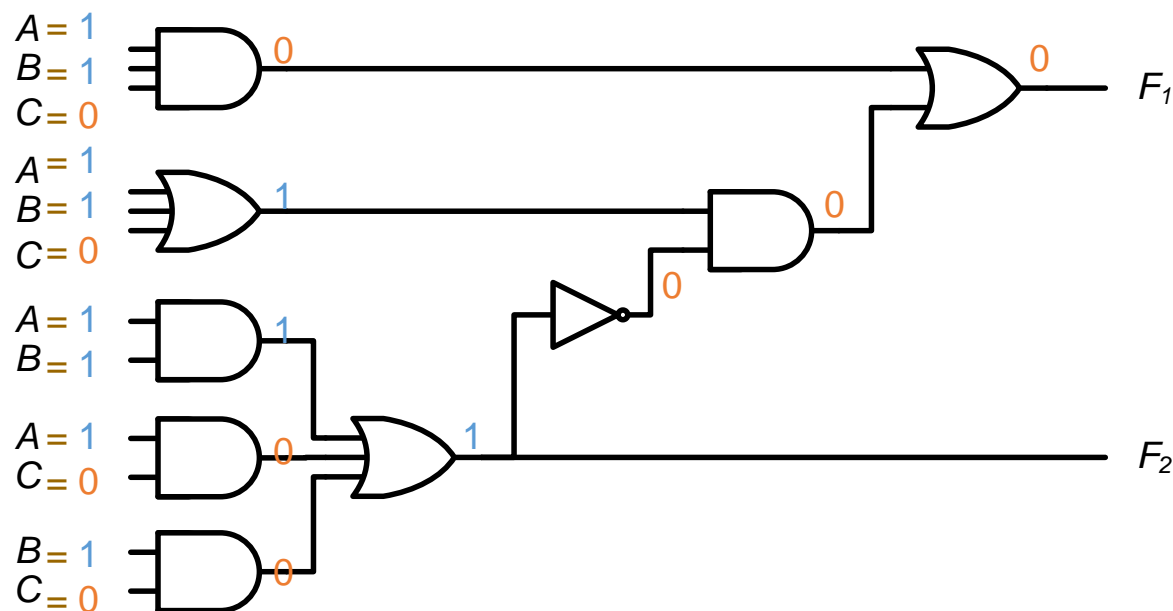
- Truth Table Approach



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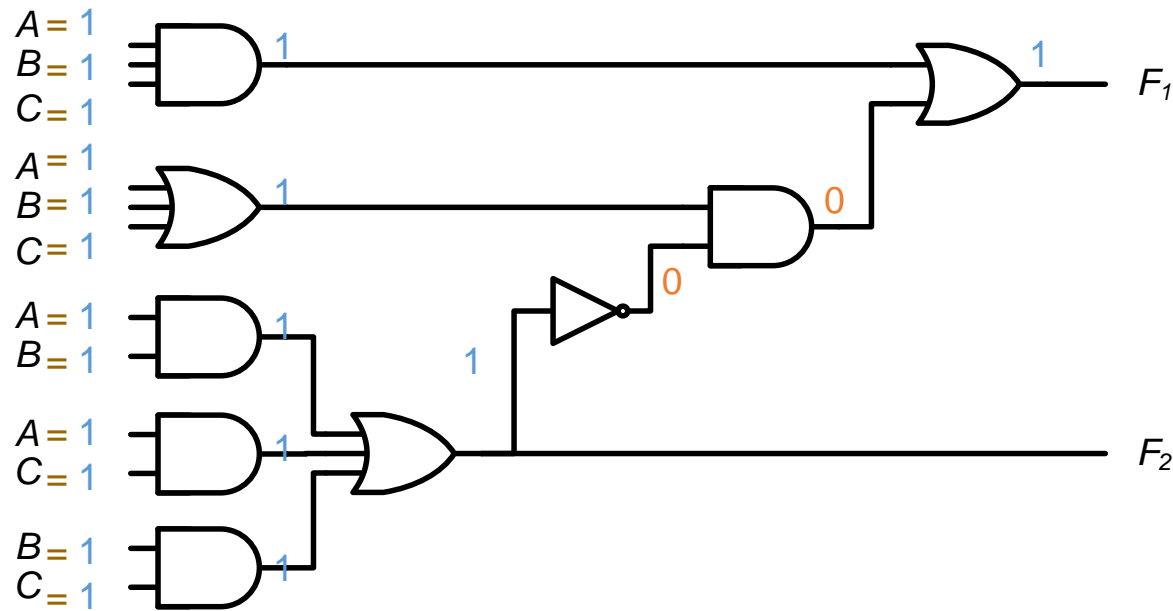
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1	0	1	0	1
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# Analysis with Truth Table: Example

- Truth Table Approach



A	B	C	$F_1$	$F_2$
0	0	0	0	0
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0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1



# Analysis with Truth Table: Example

- Truth table ready
- Obtain Boolean function
- Functionality: the circuit is a Full adder ( $F_1$ : sum,  $F_2$ : carry. Arithmetic circuit will be covered in lecture 10)

A	B	C	$F_1$	$F_2$
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

A \ BC	B			
	00	01	11	10
0	$m_0$ 0	$m_1$ 1	$m_3$ 0	$m_2$ 1
1	$m_4$ 1	$m_5$ 0	$m_7$ 1	$m_6$ 0

$$F_1 = AB'C' + A'BC' + A'B'C + ABC$$

$$= A \oplus B \oplus C$$

A \ BC	B			
	00	01	11	10
0	$m_0$ 0	$m_1$ 0	$m_3$ 1	$m_2$ 0
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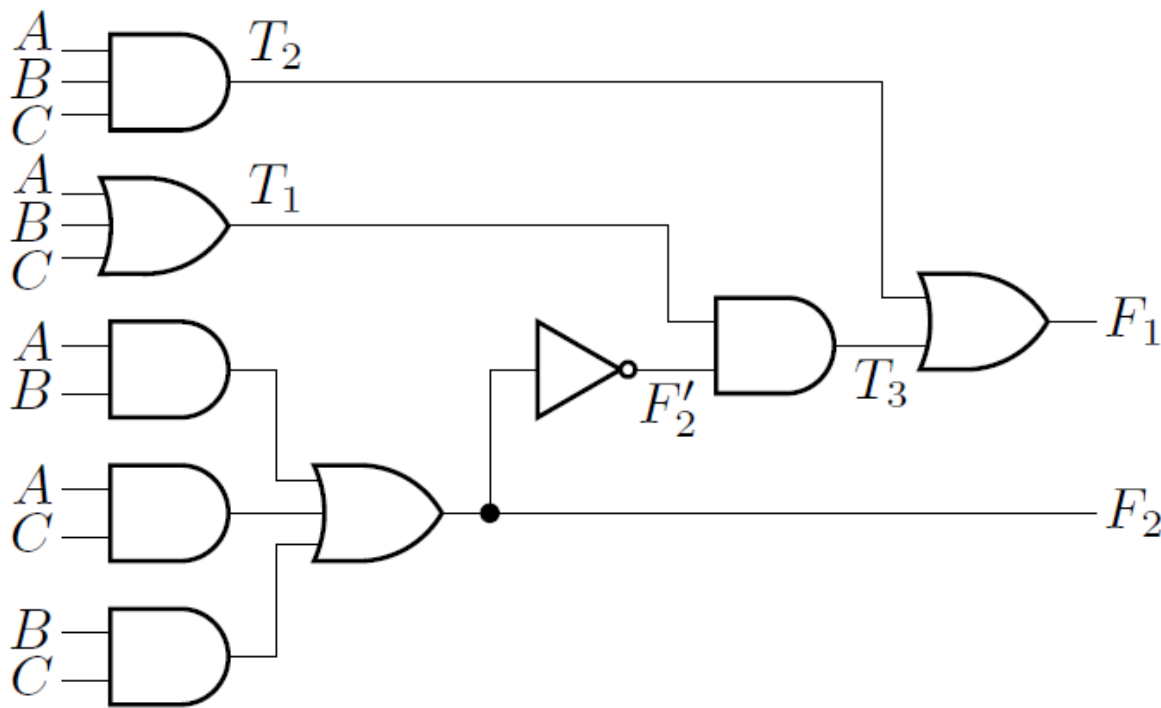
$$F_2 = AB + AC + BC$$

# Analysis with Boolean Function Derivation: Steps

- Obtain the output Boolean functions:
  - Label all gate outputs that are a function of only inputs, no other intermediate variables. Determine their Boolean functions.
  - Label all gates that are a function of inputs and the gates in the previous step. Determine their Boolean functions.
  - List output Boolean functions, squeeze the intermediate variables.
- Then simplify the function of the circuit if necessary
- Explain the functionality of the circuit if necessary

# Analysis with Boolean Function Derivation: Example 1

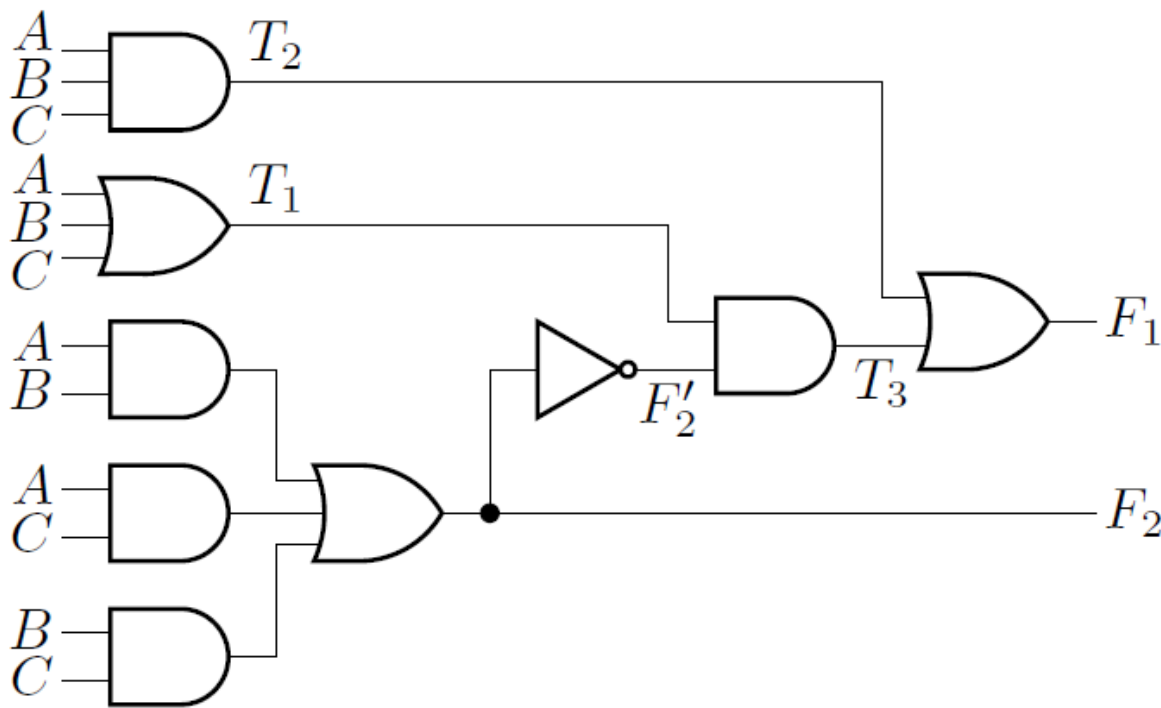
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- $F_2 = AB + AC + BC$
- $T_1 = A + B + C$
- $T_2 = ABC$

# Analysis with Boolean Function Derivation: Example 1

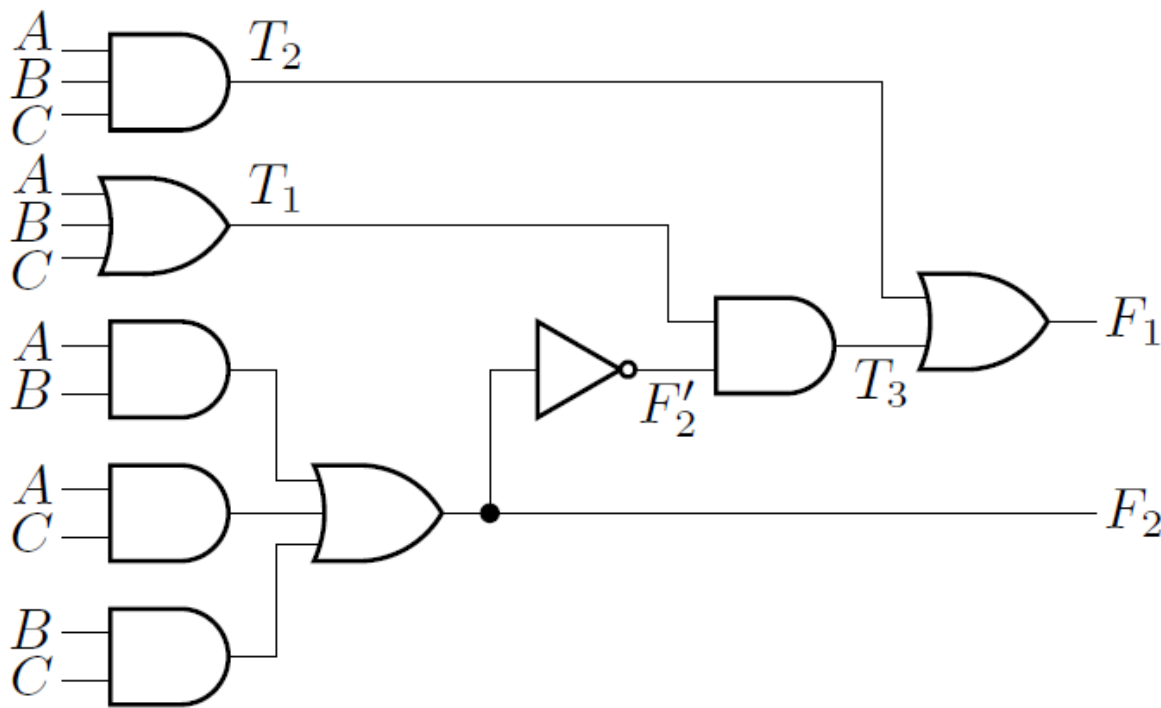
- Obtain the output Boolean functions:
  - Label all gates that are a function of inputs and the gates in the previous step. Determine their Boolean functions.



- $T_3 = F_2' T_1$
- $F_1 = T_3 + T_2$

# Analysis with Boolean Function Derivation: Example 1

- Obtain the output Boolean functions:
  - List output Boolean functions, squeeze the intermediate variables.



- $$F_1 = T_2 + T_3$$

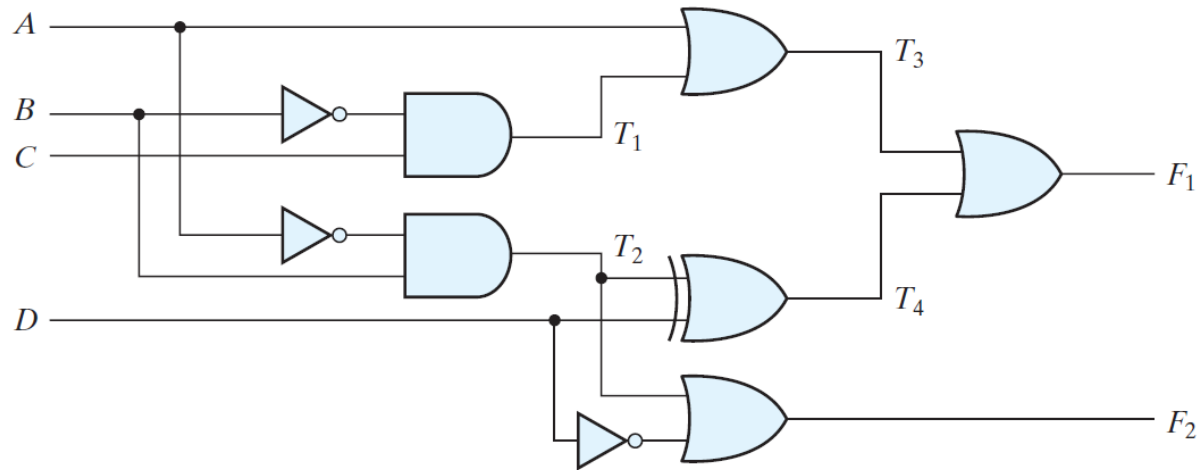
$$= ABC + F_2' T_1$$

$$= ABC + (AB + AC + BC)' (A + B + C)$$

$$= A'B'C + A'BC' + AB'C' + ABC$$
- $F_2 = AB + AC + BC$
- Full adder

# Analysis with Boolean Function Derivation: Exercise

- Derive the Boolean expressions for  $T_1$  through  $T_4$ . Evaluate the outputs  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  as a function of the four inputs.



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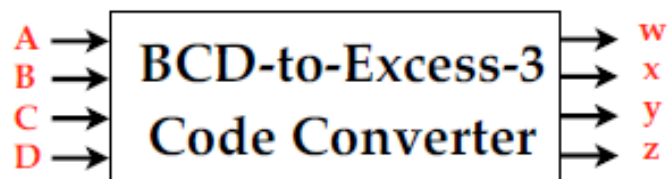
# Design Procedure

- Design of a combinational circuits: develop a logic circuit diagram or a set of Boolean functions.
  - From specification of the design objective
- Involves the following steps:
  1. Specification: From the specifications, determine the inputs, outputs, and their symbols.
  2. Formulation: Derive the truth table (functions) from the relationship between the inputs and outputs
  3. Optimization: Derive the simplified Boolean functions for each output.
  4. Logic diagram (optional): Draw a logic diagram for the resulting circuits using AND, OR, and inverters. (Or using required technology mapping)



# Example1: BCD-to-Excess-3 Code Converter

- Step1: Spec
  - input (ABCD)
  - output (wxyz) (MSB to LSB)
  - ABCD: 0000 ~ 1001 (0~9)
- Step2: Formulation
  - $wxyz = ABCD + 0011$



A	B	C	D	w	x	y	z
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	x	x	x	x
1	0	1	1	x	x	x	x
1	1	0	0	x	x	x	x
1	1	0	1	x	x	x	x
1	1	1	0	x	x	x	x
1	1	1	1	x	x	x	x

don't care

# Example1: BCD-to-Excess-3 Code Converter

## • Step3: Optimization

$$w = A + BC + BD$$

$$x = B'C + B'D + BC'D' + CD'$$

$$y = CD + C'D'$$

$$z = D'$$

from K-map

$$w = A + BC + BD$$

$$x = B'C + B'D + BC'D' + CD'$$

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

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

$$y = CD + C'D'$$

$$z = D'$$

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

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

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# Example1: BCD-to-Excess-3 Code Converter

- Step3: Optimization
- We manipulate these Boolean functions to reuse common gates:

$$w=A+BC+BD = A+B(\textcolor{red}{C+D})$$

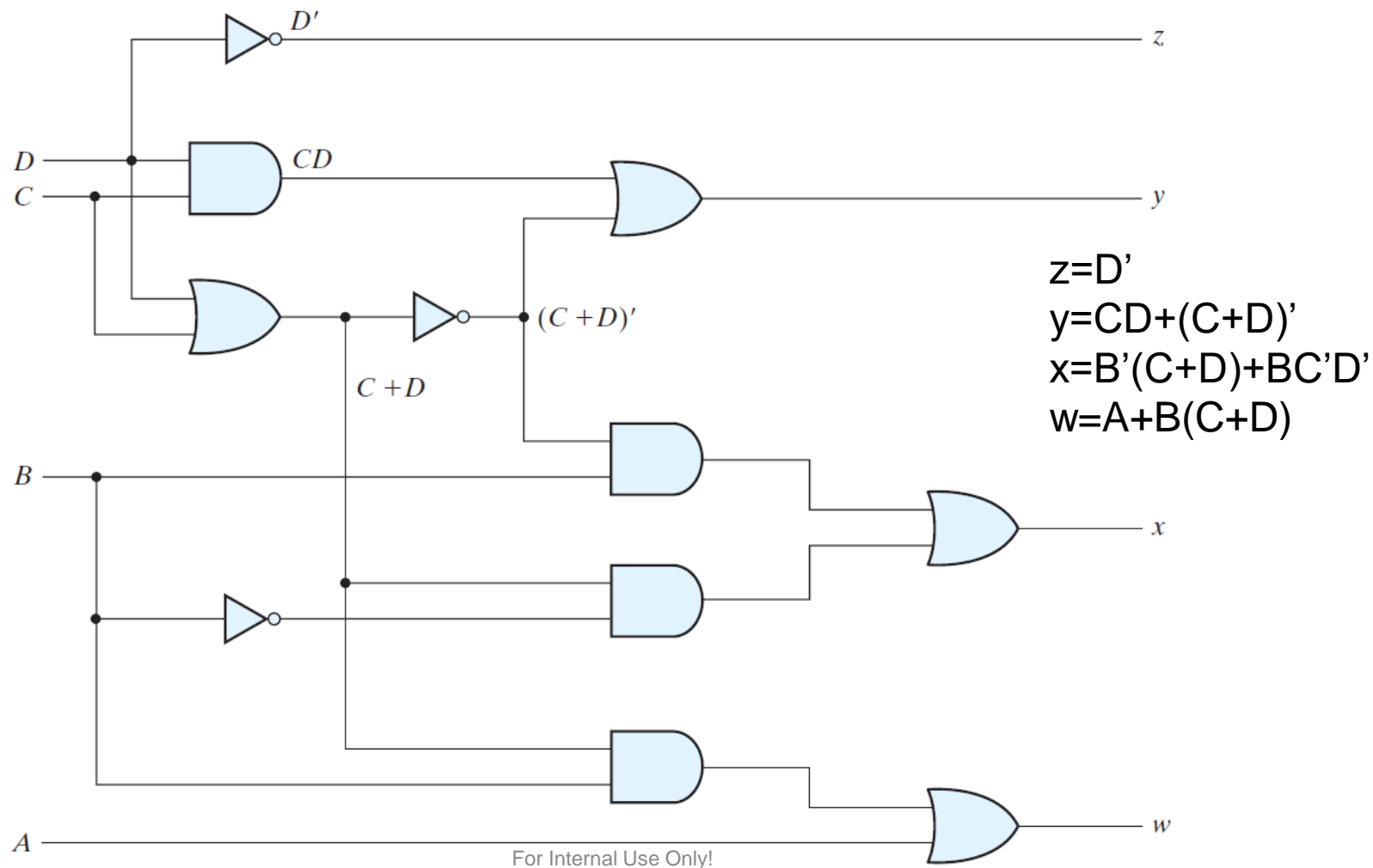
$$x=B'C+B'D+BC'D' = x=B'(\textcolor{red}{C+D})+BC'D'$$

$$y=CD+C'D' = CD+(\textcolor{red}{C+D})'$$

$$z=D'$$

# Example1: BCD-to-Excess-3 Code Converter

- Step4: Draw logic diagram



# Example2: 4-bit Equality Comparator

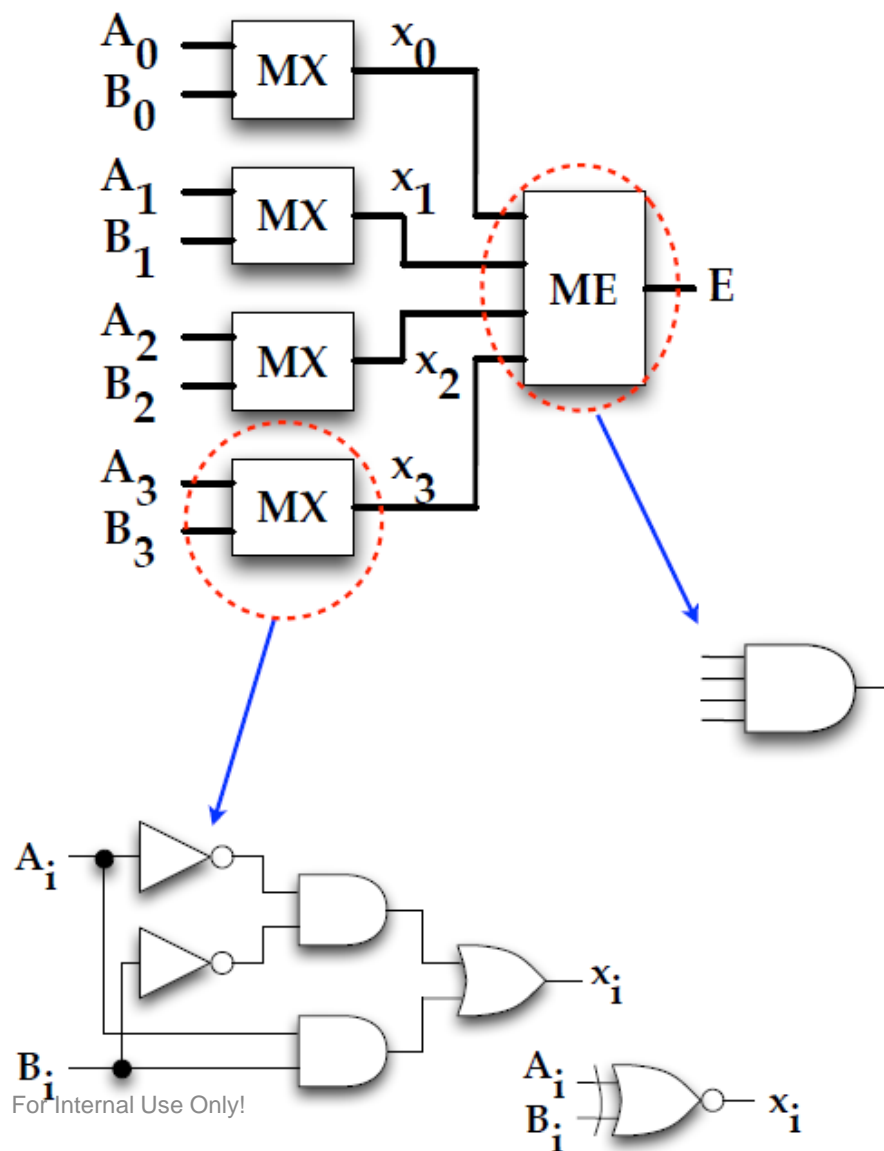
- Step1: Spec
  - input A(3:0), B(3:0);
  - output E (1/0 for equal/unequal)
- Step2: Formulation
  - By truth table:  $2^8$  rows => not practicable
  - By algorithm: build a regular circuit
    - 4-bit A:  $A_3A_2A_1A_0$ , 4-bit B:  $B_3B_2B_1B_0$
    - $A==B$ , if  $(A_3==B_3) \& (A_2==B_2) \& (A_1==B_1) \& (A_0==B_0)$
    - Suppose bit equality  $X_i=(A_i \oplus B_i)' = A_iB_i + A_i'B_i'$ , then  $(A==B) = X_3X_2X_1X_0$



Hint: XNOR gate's output  
Is 1 when input values  
Are same

# Example2: 4-bit Equality Comparator

- Step3: Optimization
  - Regularity
  - Reuse
- Step4: Draw diagram
  - MX : stands for XNOR
  - ME : stands for AND

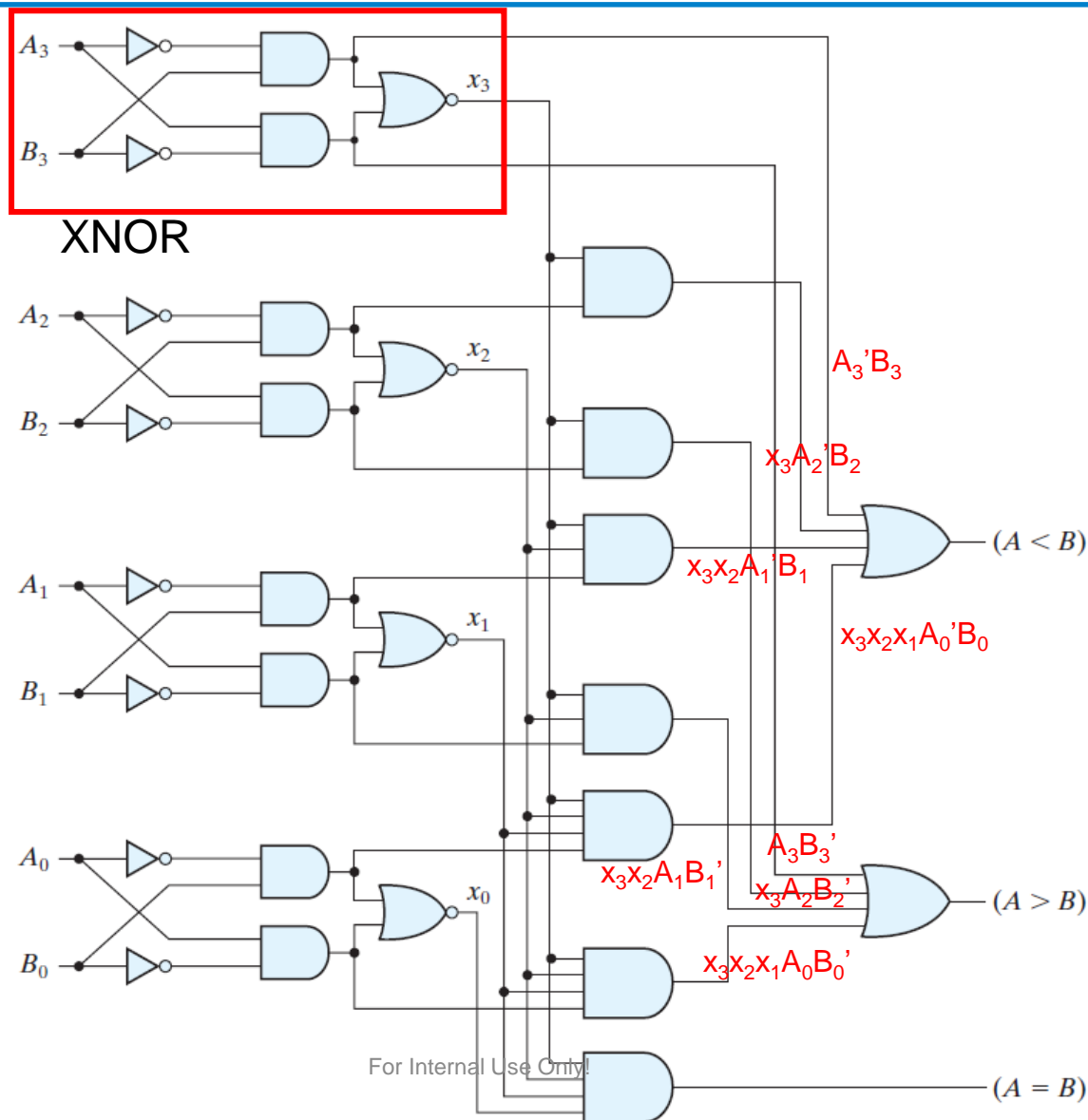


# Example3: Magnitude Comparator

- Step1: Spec
  - Comparison of two numbers, three possible results ( $A > B$ ,  $A = B$ ,  $A < B$ )
- Step2: Formulation (for n-bit numbers)
  - By truth table:  $2^{2n}$  rows  $\Rightarrow$  not practicable
  - If the truth table is too cumbersome, the regularity of comparator circuit allows deriving the function using algorithm
- Step3: Optimization
  - By algorithm to build a regular circuit
  - 4-bit A:  $A_3A_2A_1A_0$ , 4-bit B:  $B_3B_2B_1B_0$
  - $A == B$ , if  $(A_3 == B_3) \text{ AND } (A_2 == B_2) \text{ AND } (A_1 == B_1) \text{ AND } (A_0 == B_0)$ 
    - equality  $x_i = A_i B_i + A_i' B_i'$ ,  $(A = B) = x_3 x_2 x_1 x_0$
  - $(A > B) = A_3 B_3' + x_3 A_2 B_2' + x_3 x_2 A_1 B_1' + x_3 x_2 x_1 A_0 B_0'$
  - $(A < B) = A_3' B_3 + x_3 A_2' B_2 + x_3 x_2 A_1' B_1 + x_3 x_2 x_1 A_0' B_0$

# Example3: Magnitude Comparator

- Step4



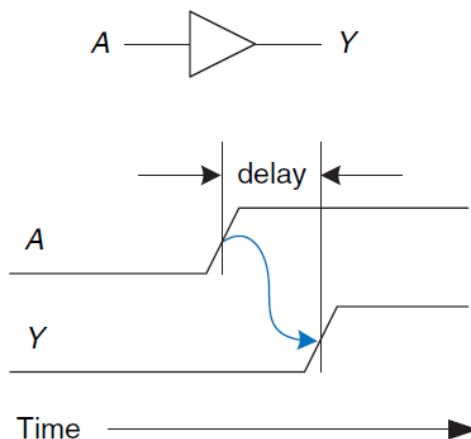


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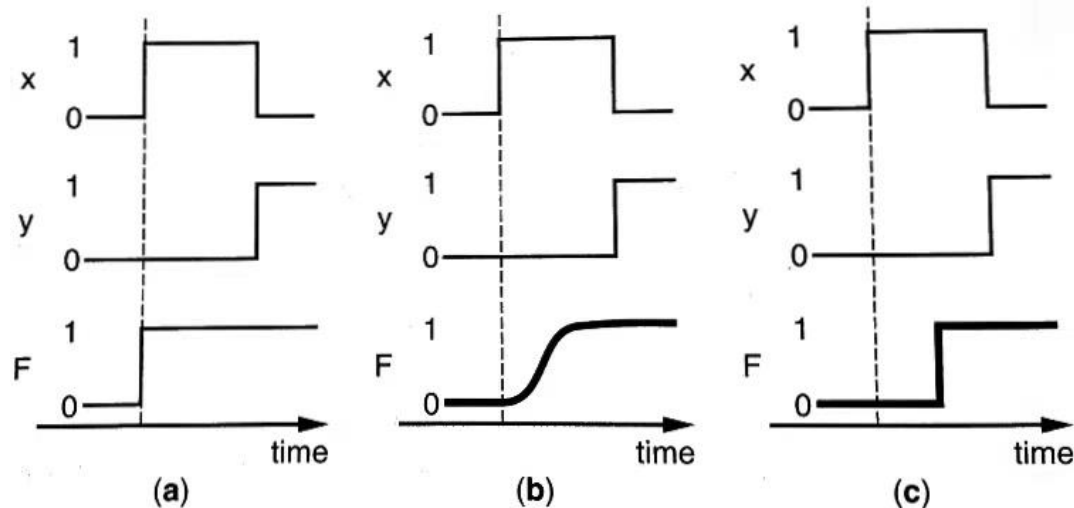
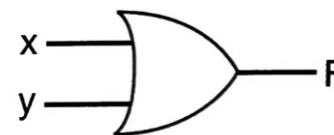
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# Gate Delays

- When the input to a logic gate is changed, the output will not change immediately. The output of the gate experiences a **propagation delay** in response to changes in the input.



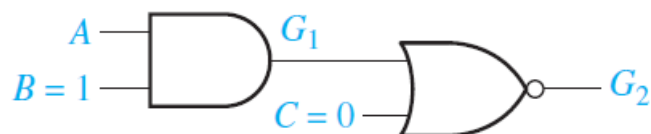
delay between an input change and the subsequent output change for a buffer



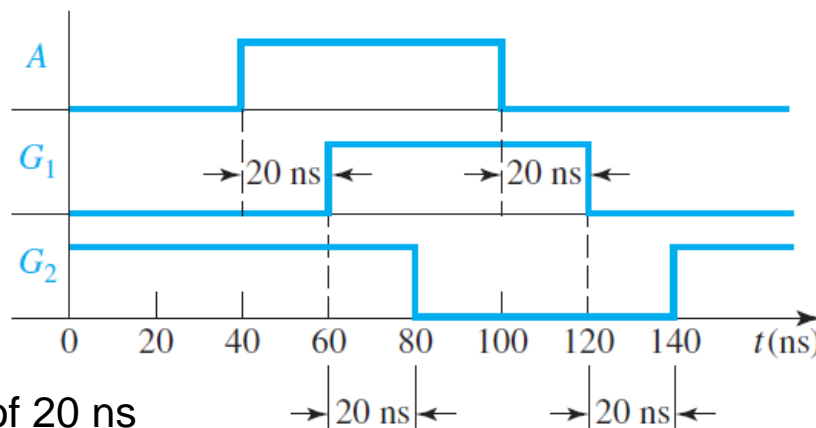
- (a) ideal behavior without gate delay  
(b) a more realistic illustration  
(c) switching incorporating the delay

# Effect of gate delays

- The analysis of a combinational circuit ignoring delays can predict only its **steady-state behavior**.
- Predicts a circuit's output as a function of its inputs assuming that the inputs have been stable for a long time, relative to the delays in the circuit's electronics.
- Because of circuit delays, the **transient behavior** of a combinational logic circuit may differ from what is predicted by steady-state analysis.

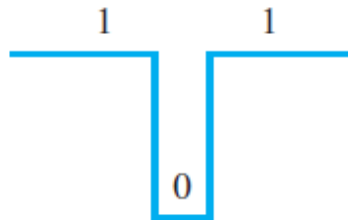


assume each gate has a propagation delay of 20 ns

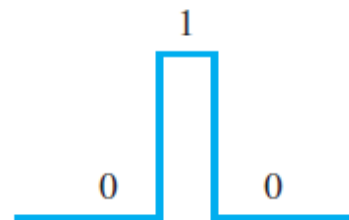


# Hazard (Glitches)

- **Timing hazard:** **Unwanted** switching transients (glitches) appearing in the output while the input to a combinational circuit changes.
  - **static-1 hazard** is a short **0** glitch when we expect (by logic theorems) the output to remain constant **1**.
  - **static-0 hazard** is a short **1** glitch when we expect the output to remain constant **0**.



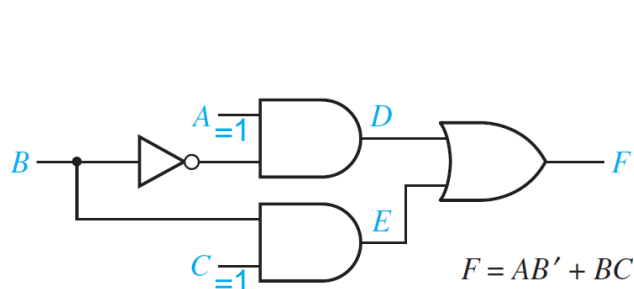
(a) Static 1-hazard



(b) Static 0-hazard

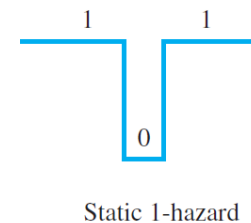
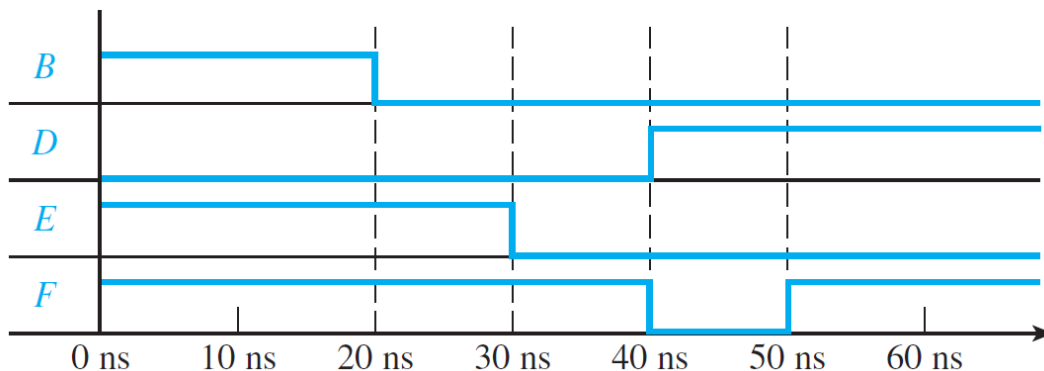
# Circuit with a static 1 Hazard

- Assume each gate has a propagation delay of 10 ns
  - if  $A = C = 1$  and  $B$  changes from 1 to 0,  $F$  should be a stable 1. Change propagates to output  $F$  along two paths with different delays, resulting in a glitch in  $F$ .



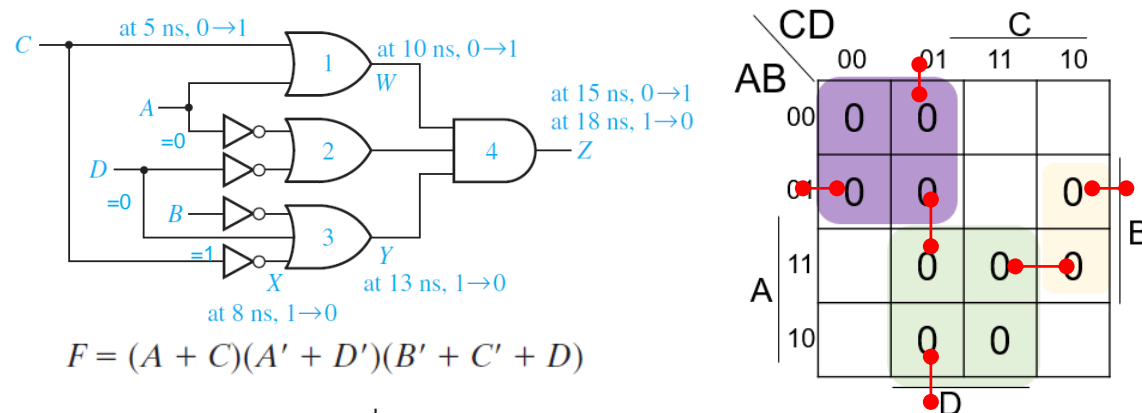
BC		B			
		00	01	11	10
A	0	0	0	1	0
	1	1	1	1	0
		C			

If any two adjacent 1's are not covered by the same circle, a 1-hazard exists for the transition between the two 1's.

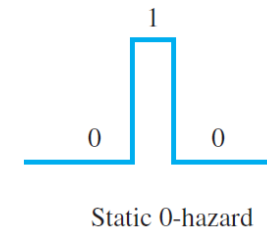
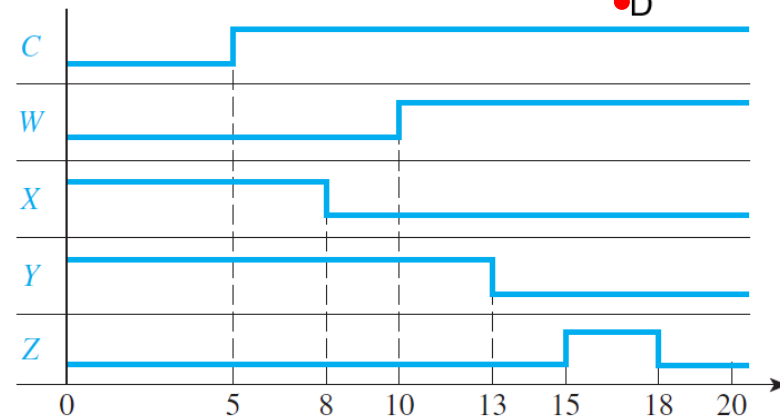


# Circuit with a static 0 Hazard

- Assume gate delay: Inverter = 3ns, AND/OR = 5ns
  - if  $A = 0$ ,  $B = 1$ ,  $D = 0$ , and  $C$  changes from 0 to 1,  $F$  should be a stable 0. Change propagates to output  $F$  along two paths with different delays., resulting in a glitch in  $F$ .



If any two adjacent 0's are not covered by the same circle, a 0-hazard exists for the transition between the two 0's.

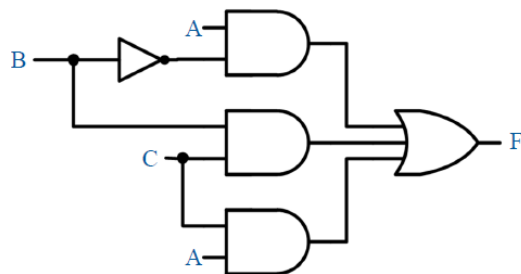


# Removing Hazard

- We can eliminate the 1-hazard or 0-hazards by adding additional circle that covers the adjacent 1's or 0's not already covered within a common circle.

		BC			
		00	01	11	10
A	0	0	0	1	0
	1	1	1	1	0

Term **AC** is added to eliminate 1 hazard



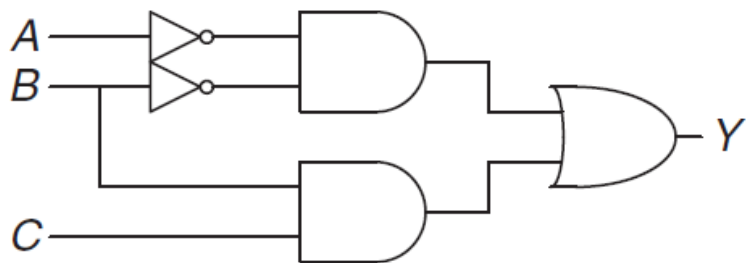
$$F = AB' + BC + AC$$

		CD			
		00	01	11	10
AB	00	0	0		
	01	0	0		0
	11		0	0	0
	10		0	0	

Term **(C+D')**, **(A+B'+D)**, **(A'+B'+C')** are added to eliminate 0 hazard

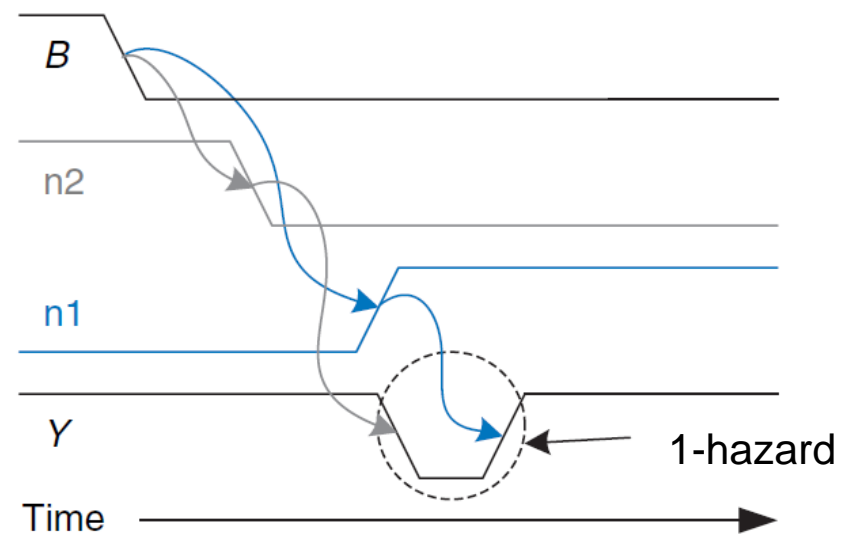
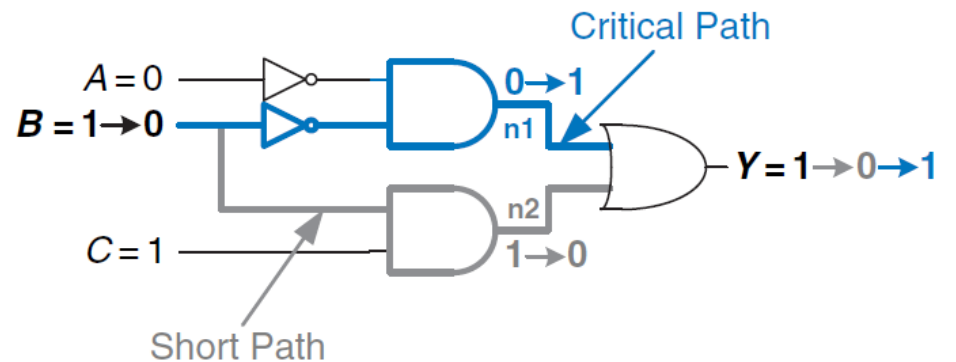
# Example

- What happens when  $A = 0$ ,  $C = 1$ ,  $B$  falls?



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

$$Y = A'B' + BC$$





# Example

- To eliminate the 1-hazard, add an additional circles that cover the adjacent 1's not already covered by a common circle.

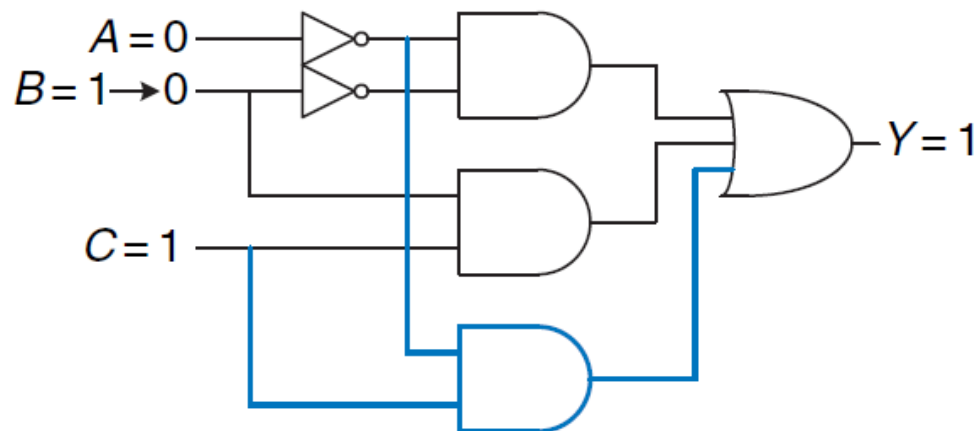
		AB			
C	0	00	01	11	10
	1	00	01	11	10
0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0

Minimal cost  
but with hazard:  
 $Y = A'B' + BC$



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

$$Y = A'B' + BC + A'C$$



Eliminate hazard by  
adding a product term