# ECE 550: Fundamentals of Computer Systems and Engineering

**Combinatorial Logic** 

### **Admin**

- Piazza: Updated from Friday night's rolls
  - Should have everyone now.
- Homework
  - Released now
  - Homework 1: due Sept 13
- Lab
  - 01A
  - Door code on Piazza

### Last time....

• Who can remind us what we talked about last time?

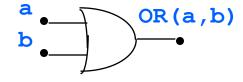
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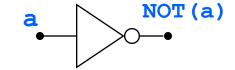
- Who can remind us what we talked about last time?
  - Electric circuit basics
    - Vcc = 1
    - Ground = 0
  - Transistors
    - PMOS
    - NMOS
  - Gates
    - Complementary PMOS + NMOS
    - Output is logical function of inputs

### **Boolean Gates**

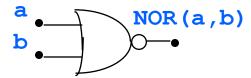
- Saw these gates
  - Mnemonic to remember them





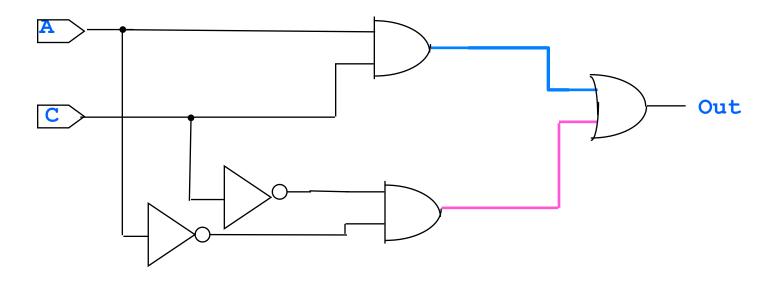






# Boolean Functions, Gates and Circuits

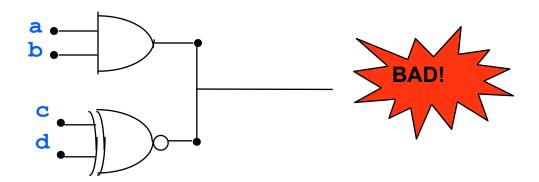
Circuits are made from a network of gates.



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## A few more words about gates

- Gates have inputs and outputs
  - If you try to hook up two outputs, get short circuit
    - (Think of the transistors each gate represents)



• If you don't hook up an input, it behaves kind of randomly (also not good, but not set-your-chip-on-fire bad)

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- OR these all together

Possible ways to get 1.		В	S	Output
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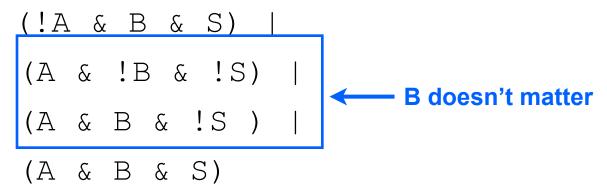
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## Simplifying The SOP Formula

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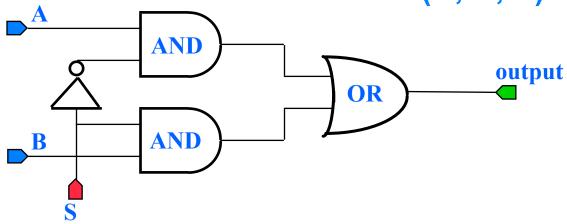
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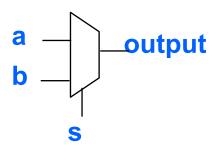
## Circuit Example: 2x1 MUX

#### Draw it in gates:

MUX(A, B, S) = (A & !S) | (B & S)

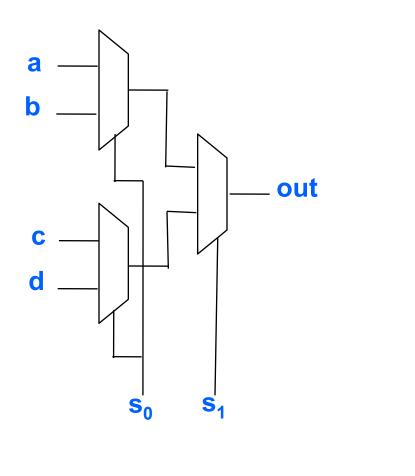


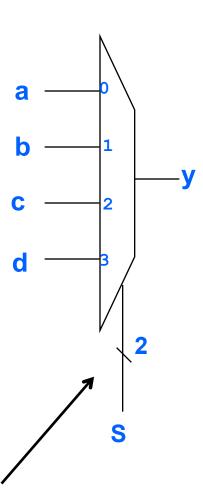
So common, we give it its own symbol:



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# Example 4x1 MUX





The / 2 on the wire means "2 bits"

## **Boolean Function Simplification**

 Boolean expressions can be simplified by using the following rules (bitwise logical):

$$\bullet$$
 A & A = A

• A & 
$$0 = 0$$

• A & 
$$1 = A$$

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$$A \& !A = 0$$

$$A \mid A = A$$

$$A \mid 0 = A$$

$$A \mid 1 = 1$$

$$A \mid !A = 1$$

$$\bullet$$
 !!A = A

- & and | are both commutative and associative
- & and | can be distributed: A & (B | C) = (A & B) | (A & C)
- & and | can be subsumed: A | (A & B) = A
- Can typically just let synthesis tools do this dirty work, but good to know

## DeMorgan's Laws

- Two (less obvious) Laws of Boolean Algebra:
  - Let us push negations inside, flipping & and |

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!(A \& B) = (!A) | (!B)
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$$!(A \mid B) = (!A) & (!B)$$

Alluded to these last time

Very good rules to know in general

## Next piece of logic: Adder

- Computers do one thing: math
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    - Represent things as numbers
  - Specifically: good at binary math
    - Base 2 number system: matches circuit voltages
      - 1 (Vcc)
      - 0 (Ground)
    - Use fixed sized numbers
      - How many **bits**
  - Quick primer on binary numbers/math
    - Then how to make circuits for it

## Numbers for computers

- We usually use base 10:
  - $12345 = 1 * 10^4 + 2 * 10^3 + 3 * 10^2 + 4 * 10^1 * 5 * 10^0$
  - Recall from third grade: 1's place, 10's place, 100's place...
    - Yes, we are going to re-cover 3<sup>rd</sup> grade math, but in binary
  - What is the biggest digit that can go in any place?
- Base 2:
  - 1's place, 2's place, 4's place, 8's place, ....
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1 in 32's place = 32

0 in 16's place

1 in 8's place = 8

1 in 4's place = 4

0 in 2's place

1 in 1's place = 1
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### Hexadecimal: Convenient shorthand for

- Binary is unwieldy to write
  - 425,000 decimal = 1100111110000101000 binary
  - Generally about 3x as many binary digits as decimal
  - Converting (by hand) takes some work and thought
- Hexadecimal (aka "hex")—base 16—is convenient:
  - Easy mapping to/from binary
  - Same or fewer digits than decimal
  - 425,000 decimal = 0x67C28
  - Generally write "0x" on front to make clear "this is hex"
  - Digits from 0 to 15, so use A—F for 10—15.

## Binary ⇔ Hex

- Binary ⇔ Hex conversion is straightforward
  - Every 4 binary bits = 1 hex digit
  - If # of bits not a multiple of 4, add implicit 0s on left as needed

0000 ⇔ 0	1000 ⇔ 8
0001 ⇔ 1	1001 ⇔ 9
0010 ⇔ 2	1010 ⇔ A
0011 ⇔ 3	1011 ⇔ B
0100 ⇔ 4	1100 ⇔ C
0101 ⇔ 5	1101 ⇔ D
0110 ⇔ 6	1110 ⇔ E
0111 ⇔ 7	1111 ⇔ F

# Binary ⇔ Hex

- 11001111110000101000
- 6 7 C 2 8

Suppose we want to add two numbers:

How do we do this?

- How do we do this?
  - Let's revisit decimal addition
  - Think about the process as we do it

• Suppose we want to add two numbers:

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- Last add hundred's digit 1+6+2 = 9

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00011101 + 00101011
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- Back to the binary:
- First add 1's digit 1+1 = ...?

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1
00011101
+ 00101011
0
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11
00011101
+ 00101011
00
```

- Back to the binary:
- First add 1's digit 1+1=2 (0 carry a 1)
- Then 2's digit: 1+0+1=2 (0 carry a 1)
- You all finish it out....

Suppose we want to add two numbers:

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
111111 \\
00011101 &= 29 \\
+ & 00101011 &= 43 \\
01001000 &= 72
\end{array}$$

Can check our work in decimal

### **Negative Numbers**

- May want negative numbers too!
- Many ways to represent negative numbers:
  - Sign/magnitude
  - Biased
  - 1's complement
  - 2's complement

# 2's Complement Integers

- To negate, flip bits, add 1:
  - 1's complement + 1
- Pros:
  - Easy to compute with
  - One representation of 0
- Cons:
  - More complex negation
  - Extra negative number (-8)
- Ubiquitous choice

```
0000
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0010
0011
0100
0101
0110
0111
1000
1001
1010
        -6
1011
1100
1101
1110
1111
```

• Revisit binary math for a minute:

01011101

+ 01101011

What about this one:

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\begin{array}{rcl}
11111111 \\
01011101 &= 93 \\
+ & 01101011 &= 107 \\
11001000 &= -56
\end{array}
```

- But... that can't be right?
  - What do you expect for the answer?
  - What is it in 8-bit signed 2's complement?

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## **Integer Overflow**

- Answer should be 200
  - Not representable in 8-bit signed representation
  - No right answer
- Called Integer Overflow
  - Signed addition: CI != CO of last bit
  - Unsigned addition: CO != 0 of last bit
- Can detect in hardware
  - Signed: XOR CI and CO of last bit
  - Unsigned: CO of last bit
  - What processor does: depends

#### Subtraction

- 2's complement makes subtraction easy:
  - Remember: A B = A + (-B)
  - And:  $-B = \sim B + 1$ 
    - ↑ that means flip bits ("not")
  - So we just flip the bits and start with CI = 1
  - Fortunate for us: makes circuits easy (next time)
- 1
- 0110101 -> 0110101
- 1010010 + 0101101

## Signed and Unsigned Ints

- Most programming languages support two int types
  - Signed: negative and positive
  - Unsigned: positive only, but can hold larger positive numbers
- Addition and subtraction:
  - Same, except overflow detection
  - x86: one add instruction, sets two different flags for overflows
- Inequalities
  - Different operations for signed/unsigned
  - Can someone give an example? (Let's say 4-bit numbers)

# One hot representation

- Binary representation convenient for math
- Another representation:
  - One hot: one wire per number
  - At any time, one wire = 1, others = 0

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- Wow, that is one hot representation!
- Very convenient in many cases (e.g., homework 1)

## Converting to/from one hot

- Converting from 2<sup>N</sup> bits one hot to N bits binary=encoder
  - E.g., "an 8-to-3 encoder"
- Converting from N bits binary to 2<sup>N</sup> bits one hot=decoder
  - E.g., "a 4-to-16 decoder"
     (which may be quite useful on hwk1)

#### Lets build a 4-to-2 encoder

- Start with a truth table
  - Input constrained to 1-hot: don't care about invalid inputs
    - Can do anything we want

In0	In1	In2	In3	Out1	Out0
1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0	1	0
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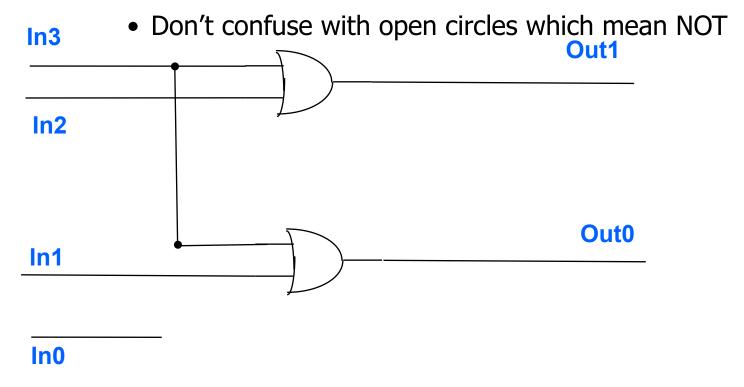
- Simplest formulas:
  - Out0 = In1 or In3
  - Out1 = In2 or In3

[alternatively: Out0 = In0 nor In2]

[alternatively: Out1 = In0 nor In1]

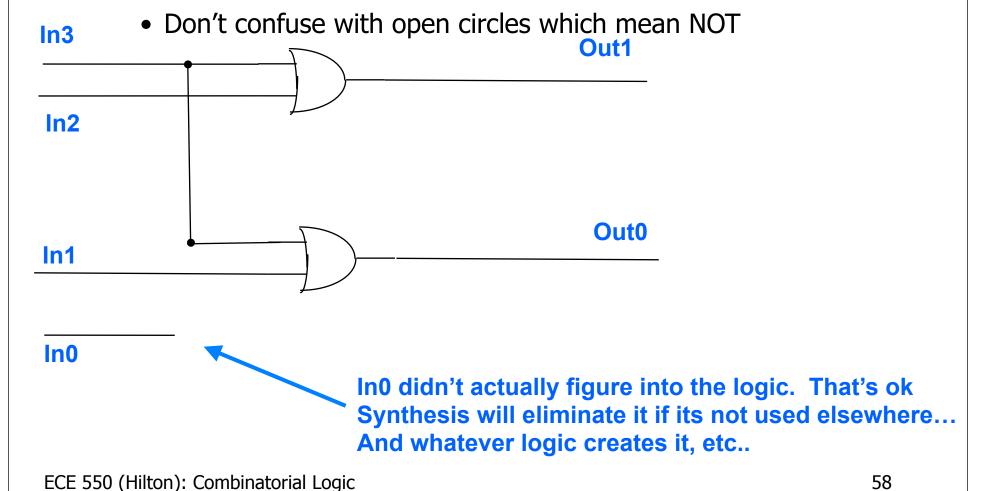
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#### Lets build a 2-to-4 decoder

- Start with a truth table
  - Now input unconstrained

In0	Out0	Out1	Out2	Out3
0	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
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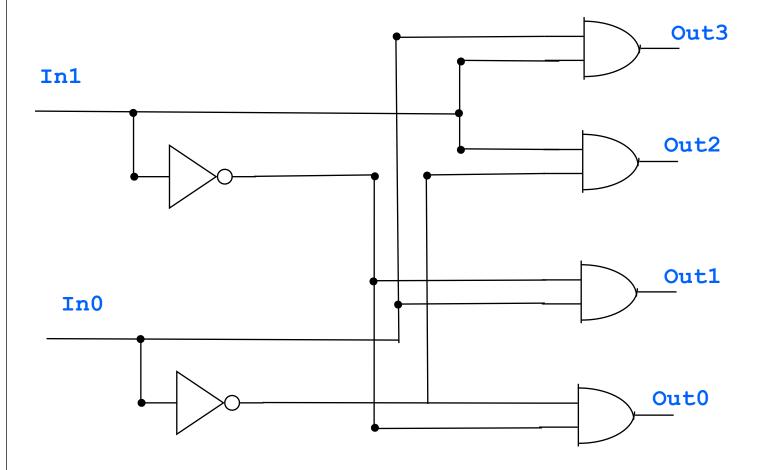
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Out3 = In1 and In0

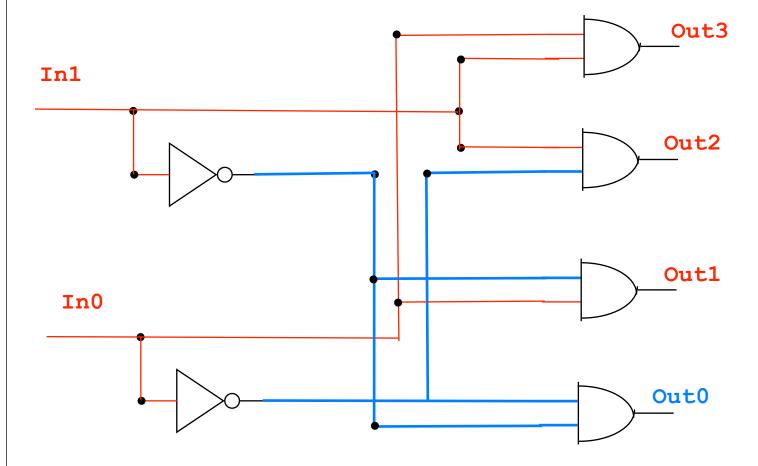
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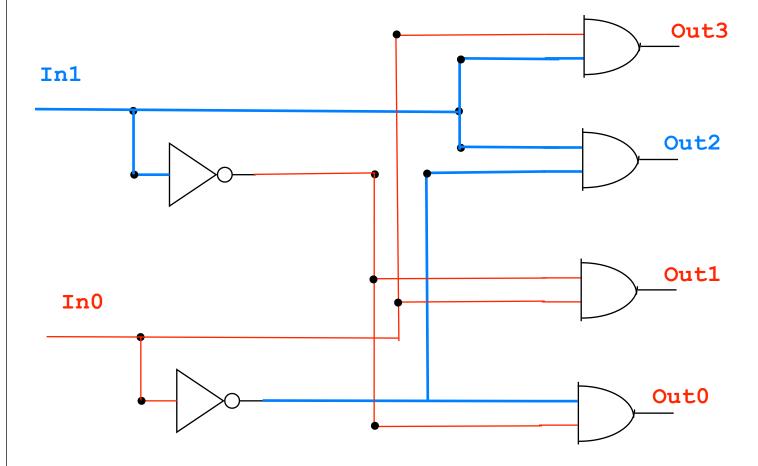
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## Delays

- Mentioned before: switching not instant
  - Not going to try to calculate delays by hand (tools can do)
  - But good to know where delay comes from, to tweak/improve
- Gates:
  - Switching the transistors in gates takes time
  - More gates (in series) = more delay
- Fan-out: how many gates the output drives
  - Related to capacitance
  - High fan-out = slow
  - Sometimes better to replicate logic to reduce its fan-out
- Wire delay:
  - Signals take time to travel down wires

## Wrap Up

- Combinatorial Logic
  - Putting gates together
  - Sum-of-products
  - Simplification
  - Muxes, Encoders, Decoders
- Number Representations
  - One Hot
  - 2's complement