

# Logic Gates

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## Digital Logic Design (DLD)

# Introduction

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- Digital systems are concerned with digital signals
- Digital signals can take many forms
- Here we will concentrate on **binary signals** since these are the most common form of digital signals
  - can be used individually
    - perhaps to represent a single binary quantity or the state of a single switch
  - can be used in combination
    - to represent more complex quantities

# Boolean Constants and Variables

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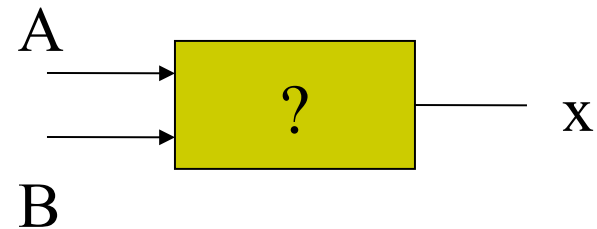
- Boolean 0 and 1 do not represent actual numbers but instead represent the state, or logic level.

Logic 0	Logic 1
False	True
Off	On
Low	High
No	Yes
Open switch	Closed switch

# Truth Tables

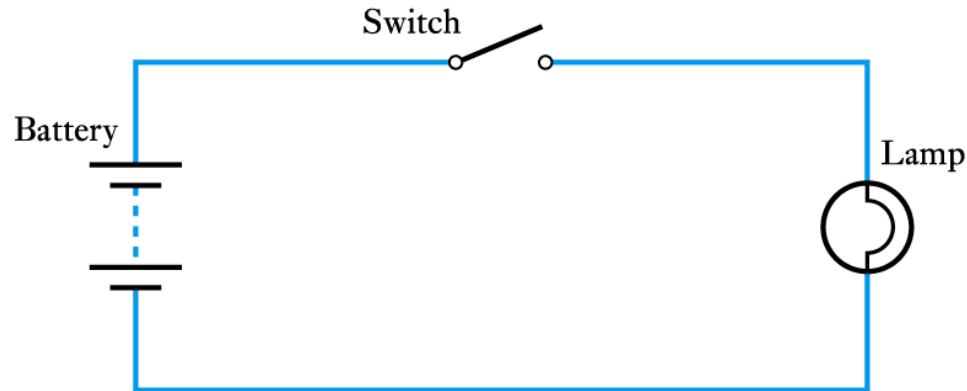
- A truth table is a means for describing how a logic circuit's output depends on the logic levels present at the circuit's inputs.

Inputs		Output
A	B	x
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0



# Binary Quantities and Variables

- A **binary quantity** is one that can take only 2 states



A simple binary arrangement

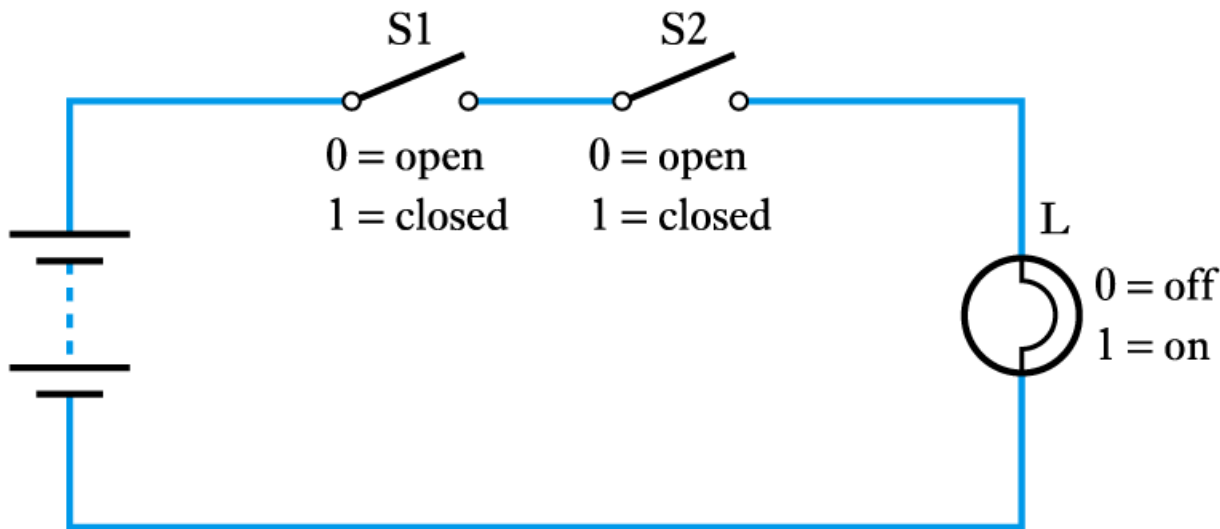
S	L
OPEN	OFF
CLOSED	ON

S	L
0	0
1	1

A truth table

- A binary arrangement with two switches in series



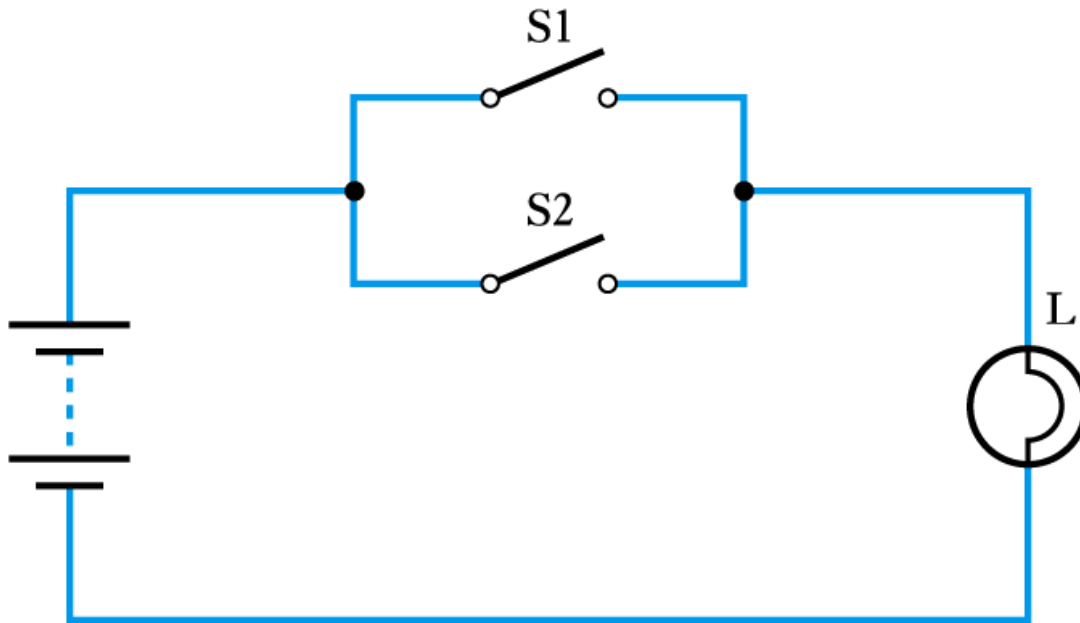
(a) Circuit

S1	S2	L
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

(b) Truth table

$$L = S1 \text{ AND } S2$$

- A binary arrangement with two switches in parallel



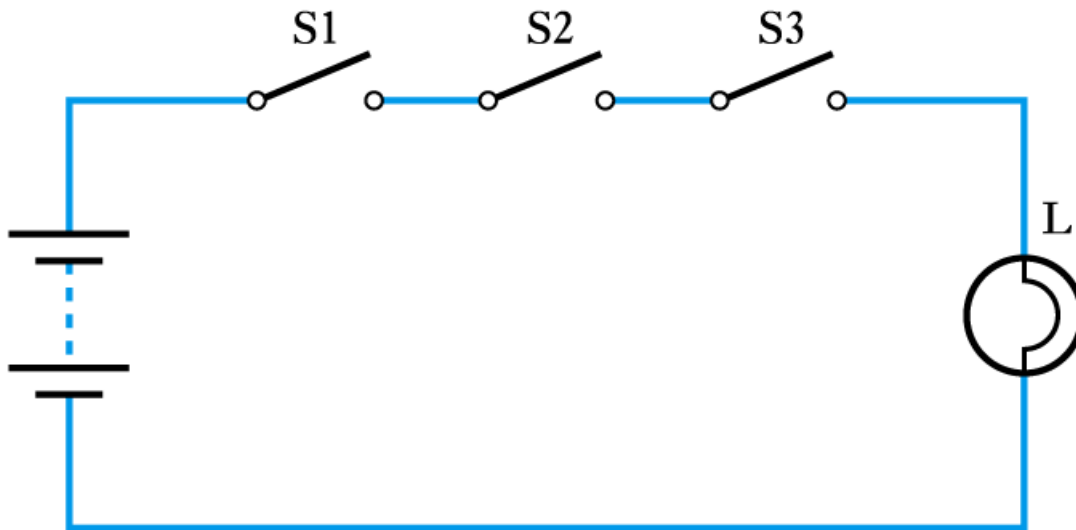
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## ■ Three switches in series

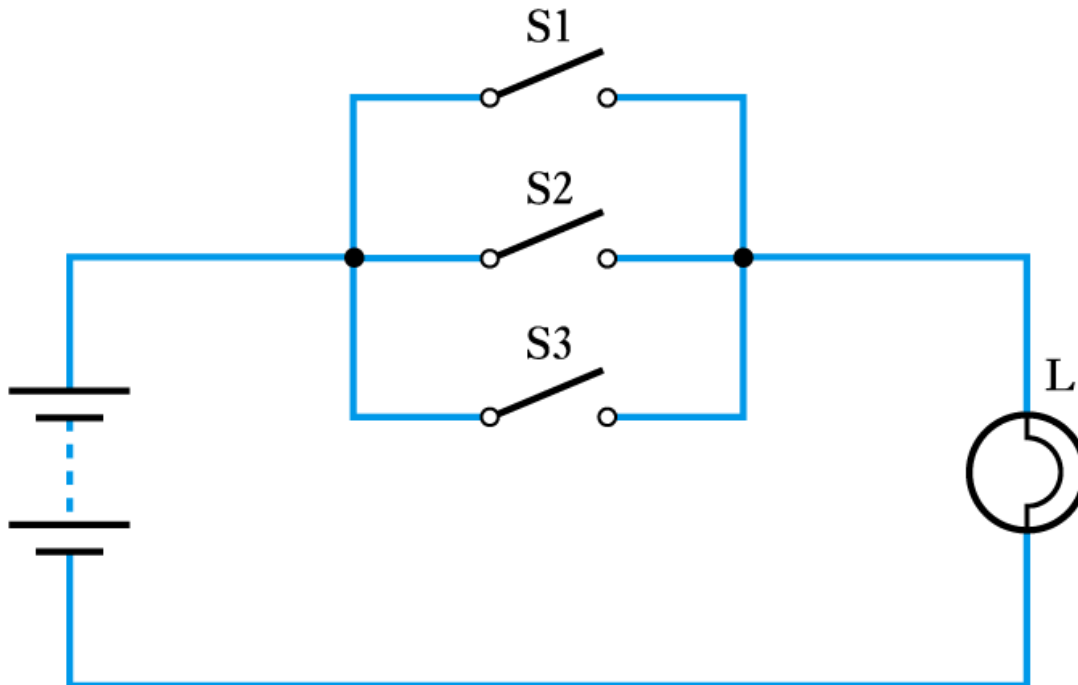


S1	S2	S3	L
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

$$L = S1 \text{ AND } S2 \text{ AND } S3$$



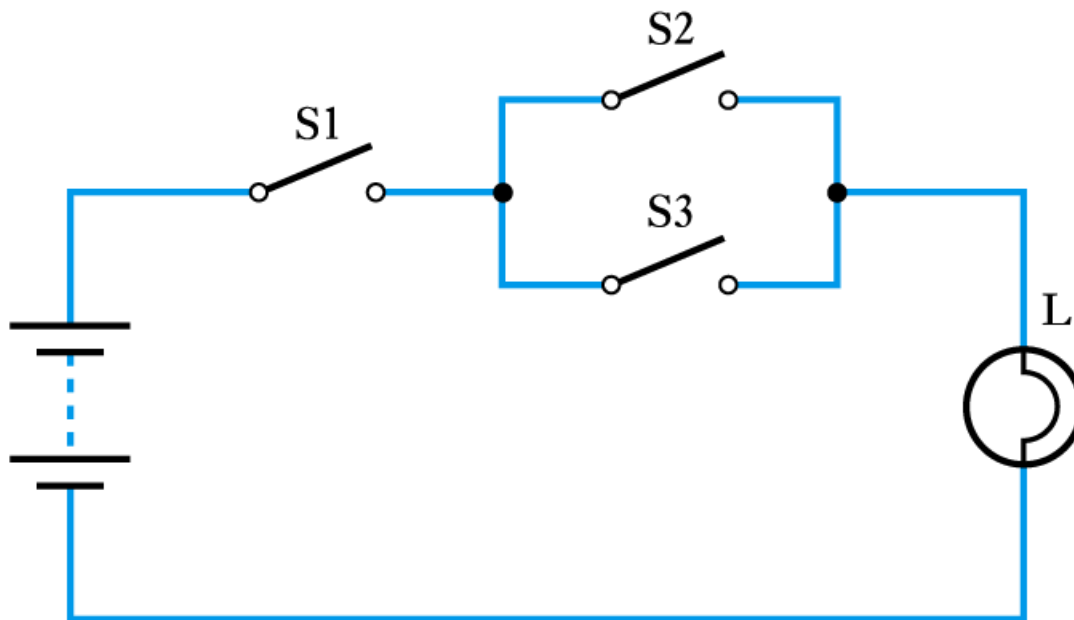
## ■ Three switches in parallel



S1	S2	S3	L
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

$$L = S1 \text{ OR } S2 \text{ OR } S3$$

- A series/parallel arrangement

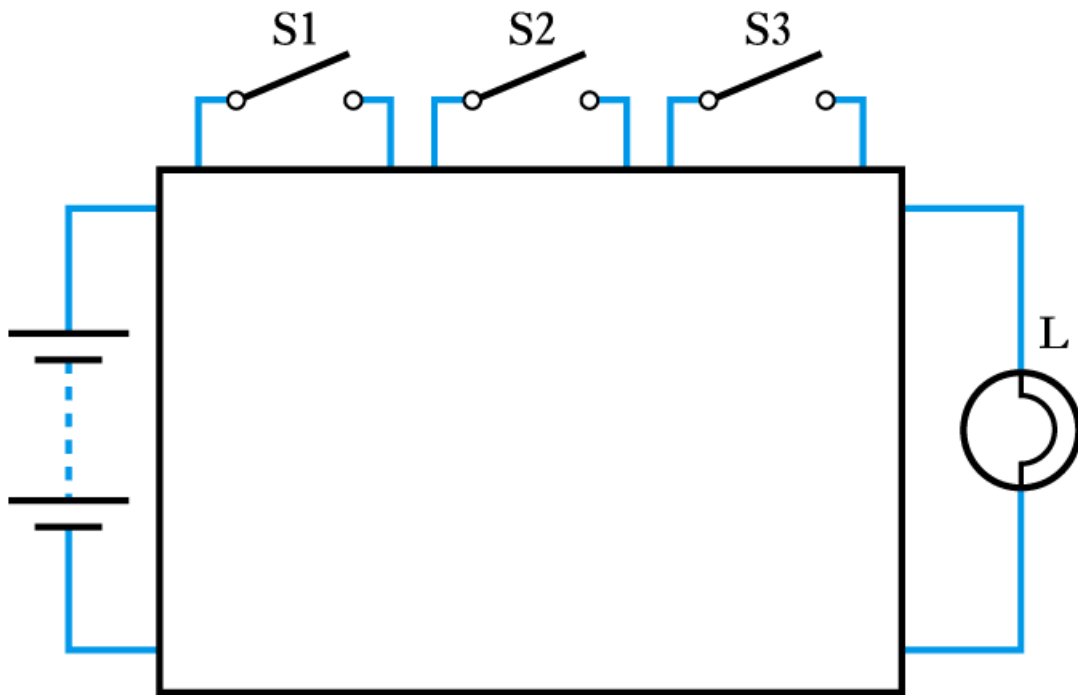


S1	S2	S3	L
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

$$L = S1 \text{ AND } (S2 \text{ OR } S3)$$

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- Representing an unknown network



# Logic Gates

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- The building blocks used to create digital circuits are **logic gates**
- There are three elementary logic gates and a range of other simple gates
- Each gate has its own **logic symbol** which allows complex functions to be represented by a logic diagram
- The function of each gate can be represented by a **truth table** or using **Boolean notation**

## ■ The AND gate



(a) Circuit symbol

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

(b) Truth table

$$C = A \cdot B$$

(c) Boolean expression

## ■ The OR gate



(a) Circuit symbol

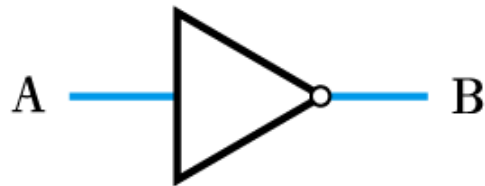
A	B	C
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

(b) Truth table

$$C = A + B$$

(c) Boolean expression

## ■ The NOT gate (or inverter)



(a) Circuit symbol

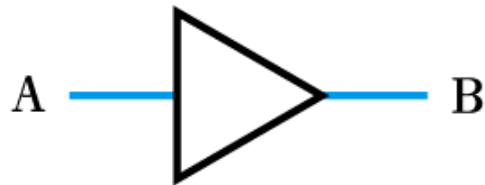
A	B
0	1
1	0

(b) Truth table

$$B = \bar{A}$$

(c) Boolean expression

## ■ A logic buffer gate



(a) Circuit symbol

A	B
0	0
1	1

(b) Truth table

$$B = A$$

(c) Boolean expression



## ■ The NAND gate



(a) Circuit symbol

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

(b) Truth table

$$C = \overline{A \cdot B}$$

(c) Boolean expression

## ■ The NOR gate



(a) Circuit symbol

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

(b) Truth table

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

(c) Boolean expression

## ■ The Exclusive OR gate



(a) Circuit symbol

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

(b) Truth table

$$C = A \oplus B$$

(c) Boolean expression

## ■ The Exclusive NOR gate



(a) Circuit symbol

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

(b) Truth table

$$C = \overline{A \oplus B}$$

(c) Boolean expression

# Boolean Algebra

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- **Boolean Constants**

- these are '0' (false) and '1' (true)

- **Boolean Variables**

- variables that can only take the values '0' or '1'

- **Boolean Functions**

- each of the logic functions (such as AND, OR and NOT) are represented by symbols as described above

- **Boolean Theorems**

- a set of **identities** and **laws** – see text for details

## ■ Boolean identities

AND Function	OR Function	NOT function
$0 \bullet 0 = 0$	$0 + 0 = 0$	$\overline{0} = 1$
$0 \bullet 1 = 0$	$0 + 1 = 1$	$\overline{1} = 0$
$1 \bullet 0 = 0$	$1 + 0 = 1$	$\overline{\overline{A}} = A$
$1 \bullet 1 = 1$	$1 + 1 = 1$	
$A \bullet 0 = 0$	$A + 0 = A$	
$0 \bullet A = 0$	$0 + A = A$	
$A \bullet 1 = A$	$A + 1 = 1$	
$1 \bullet A = A$	$1 + A = 1$	
$A \bullet A = A$	$A + A = A$	
$A \bullet \overline{A} = 0$	$A + \overline{A} = 1$	

## ■ Boolean laws

<b>Commutative law</b> $AB = BA$ $A + B = B + A$	<b>Absorption law</b> $A + AB = A$ $A(A + B) = A$
<b>Distributive law</b> $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ $A + BC = (A + B)(A + C)$	<b>De Morgan's law</b> $\overline{A + B} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}$ $\overline{A \cdot B} = \overline{A} + \overline{B}$
<b>Associative law</b> $A(BC) = (AB)C$ $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$	<b>Note also</b> $A + \overline{A}B = A + B$ $A(\overline{A} + B) = AB$

# Combinational Logic

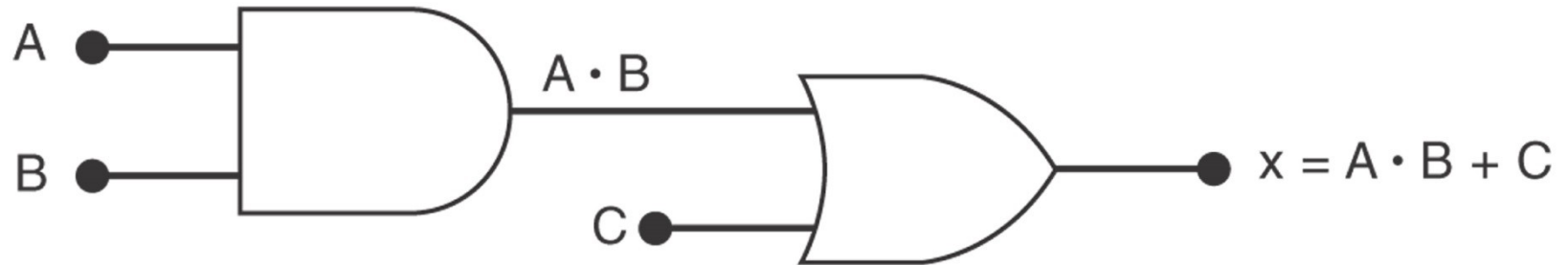
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- Digital systems may be divided into two broad categories:
  - **combinational logic**
    - where the outputs are determined solely by the current states of the inputs
  - **sequential logic**
    - where the outputs are determined not only by the current inputs but also by the sequence of inputs that led to the current state
- In this lecture we will look at combination logic

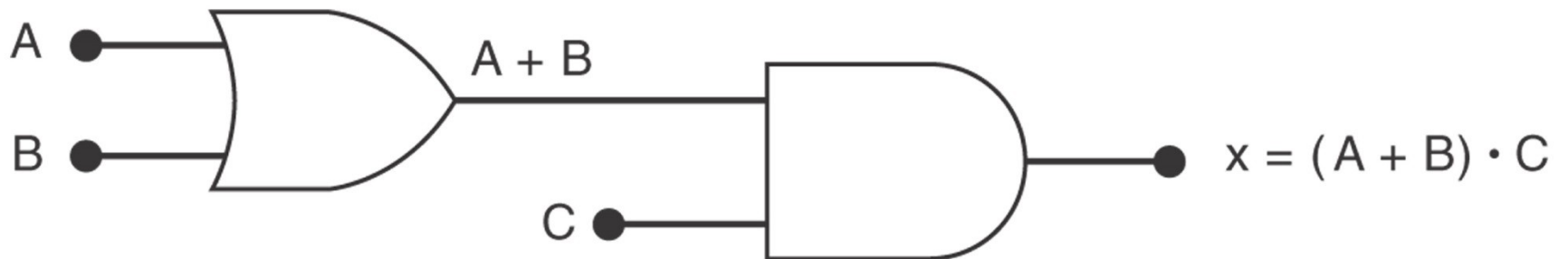


## Examples 1,2

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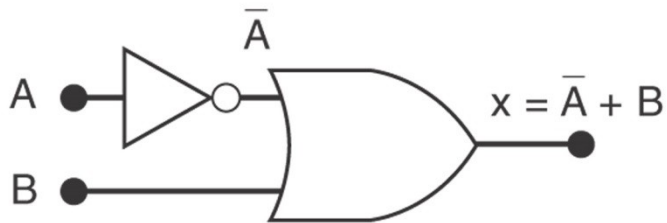
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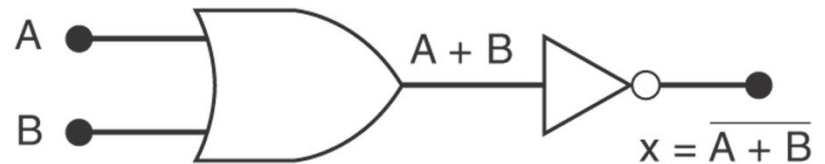
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# Examples 3

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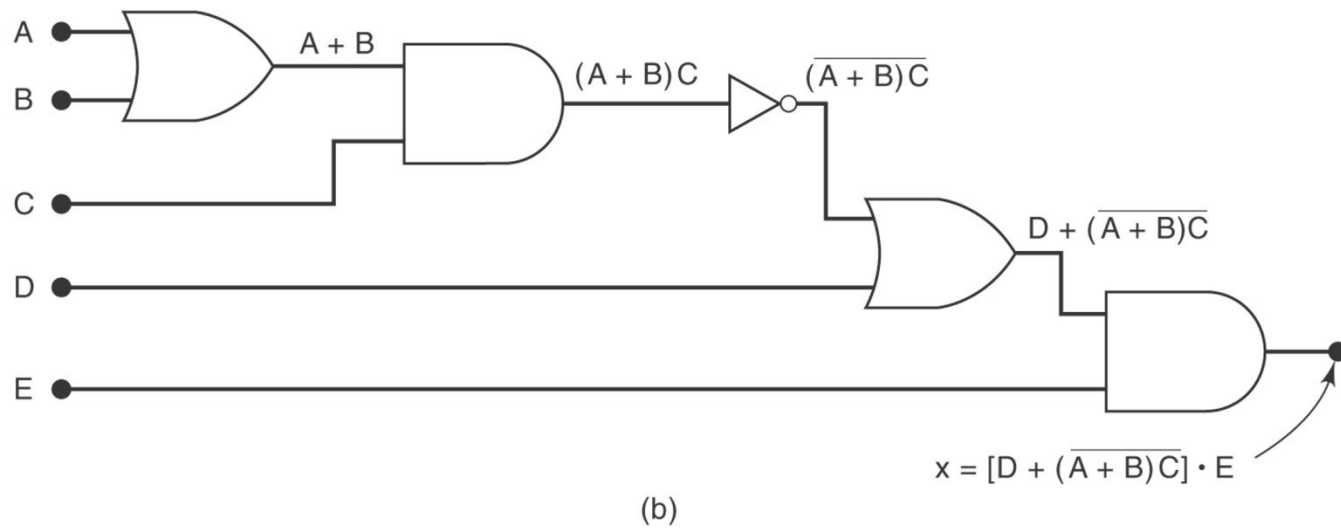
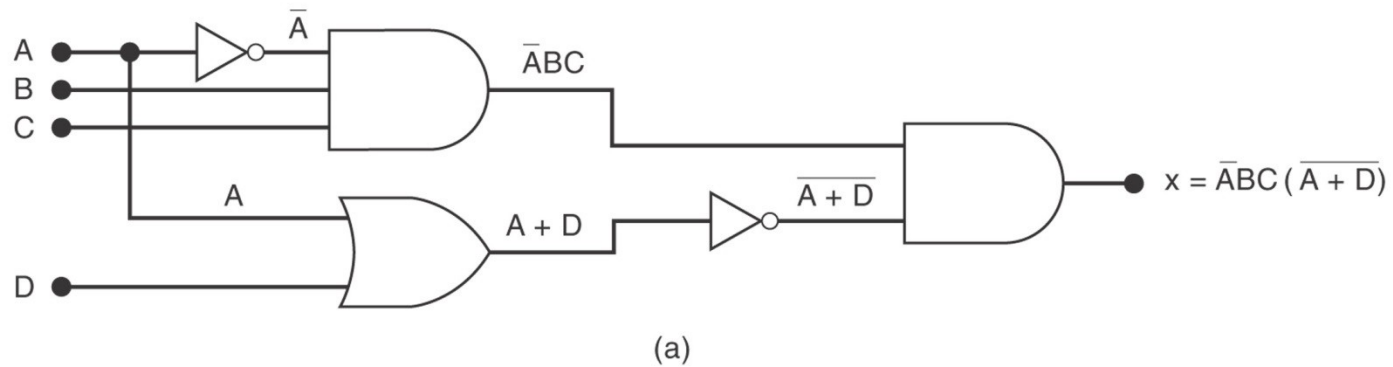


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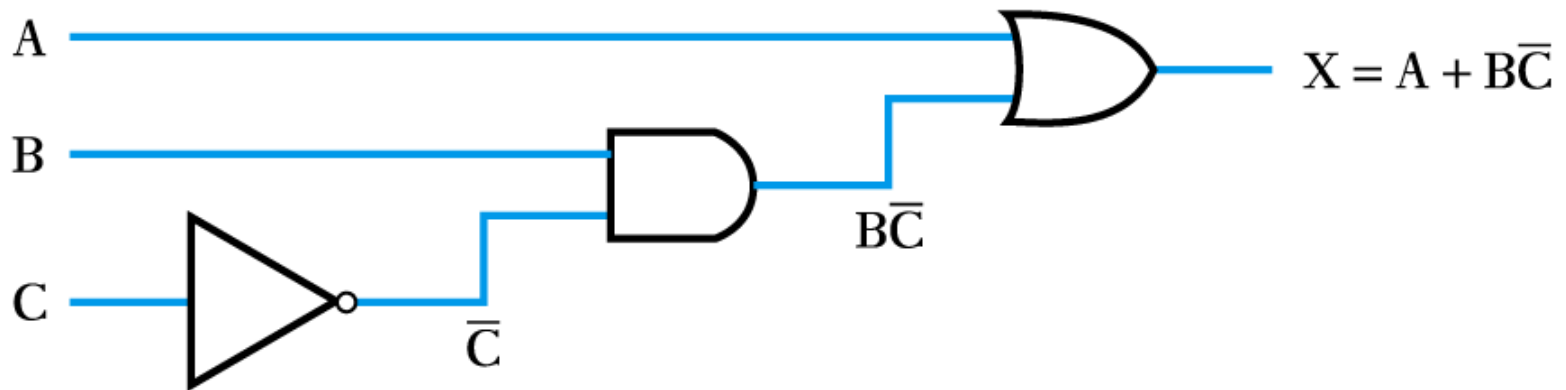
## Example 4



## ■ Implementing a function from a Boolean expression

**Example –**

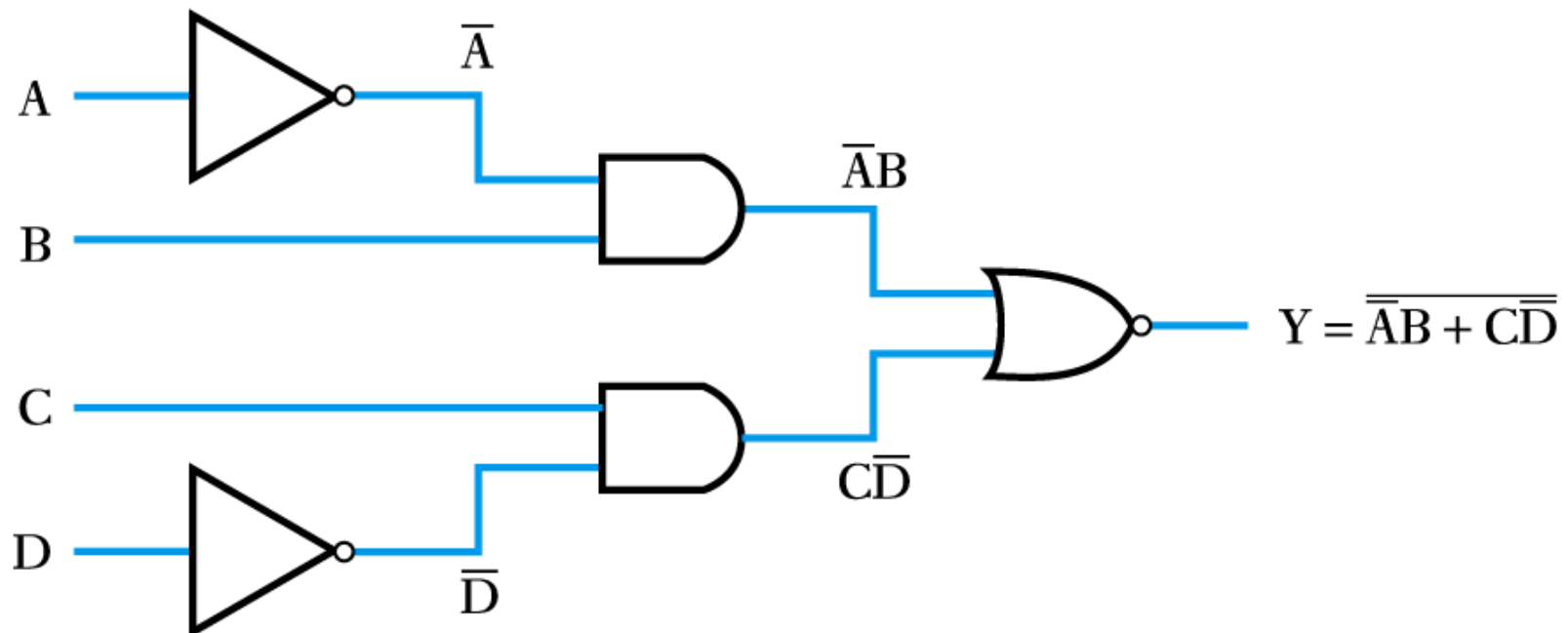
$$X = A + B\bar{C}$$



## ■ Implementing a function from a Boolean expression

### Example –

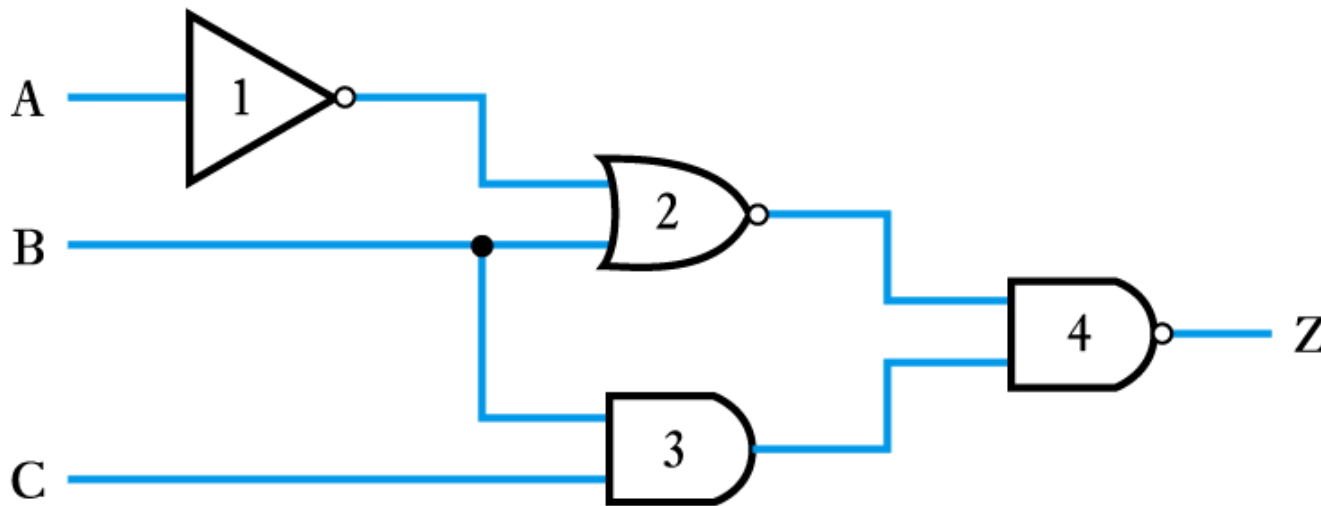
$$Y = \overline{\overline{A}B} + \overline{C\overline{D}}$$



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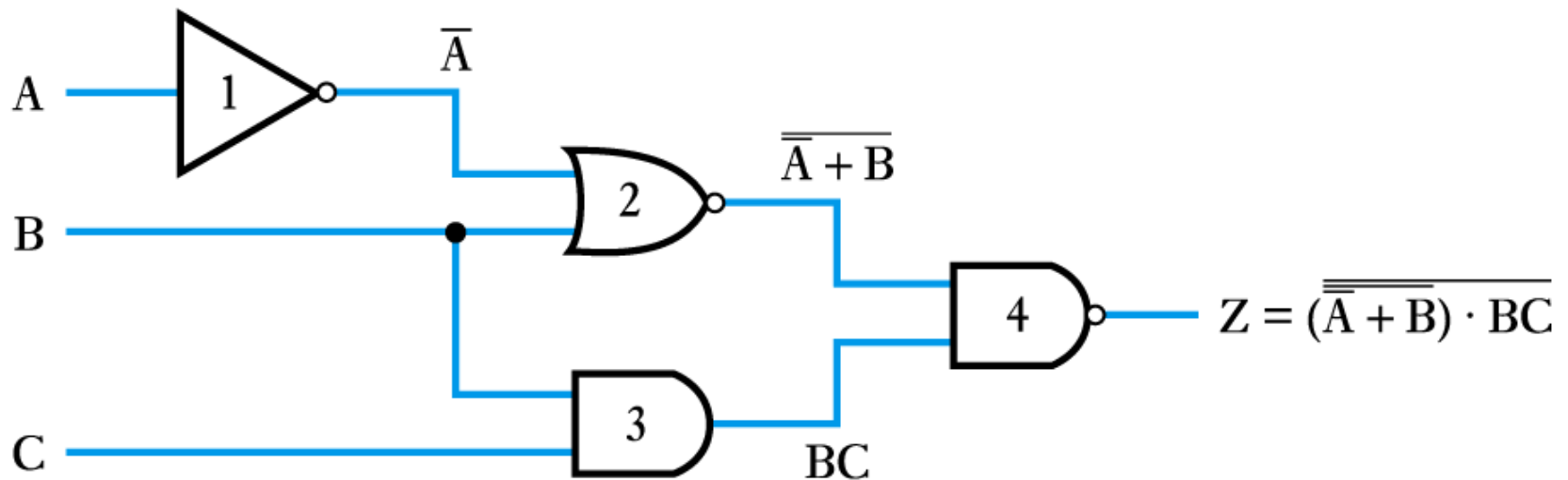
- **Generating a Boolean expression from a logic diagram**

**Example –**



## Example (continued)

- work progressively from the inputs to the output adding logic expressions to the output of each gate in turn



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## ■ Implementing a logic function from a description

### Example –

The operation of the Exclusive OR gate can be stated as:

*“The output should be true if either of its inputs are true, but not if both inputs are true.”*

This can be rephrased as:

*“The output is true if A OR B is true, AND if A AND B are NOT true.”*

We can write this in Boolean notation as

$$X = (A + B) \bullet \overline{(AB)}$$

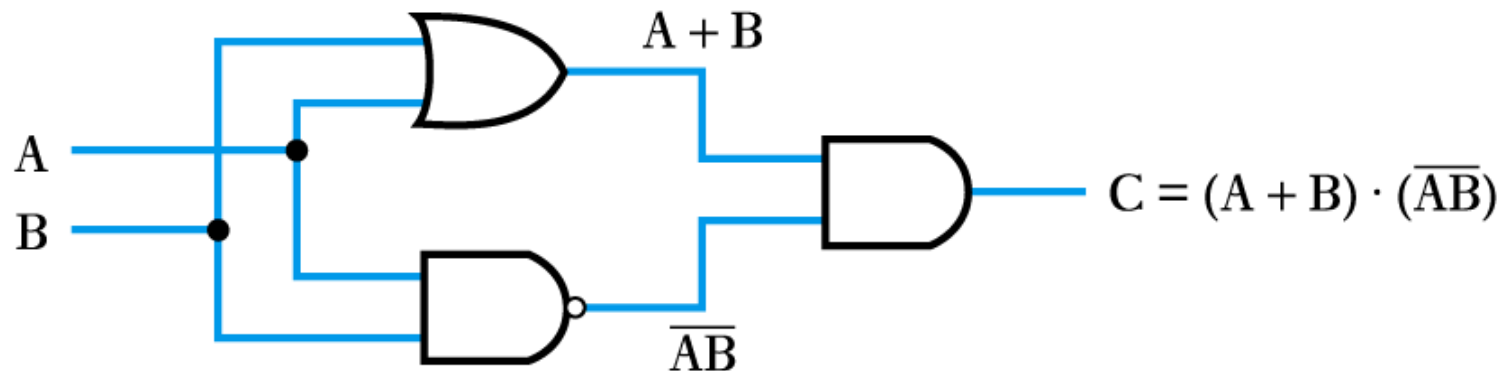


## Example (continued)

The logic function

$$X = (A + B) \cdot (\overline{AB})$$

can then be implemented as before



## ■ Implementing a logic function from a truth table

### Example –

Implement the function of the following truth table

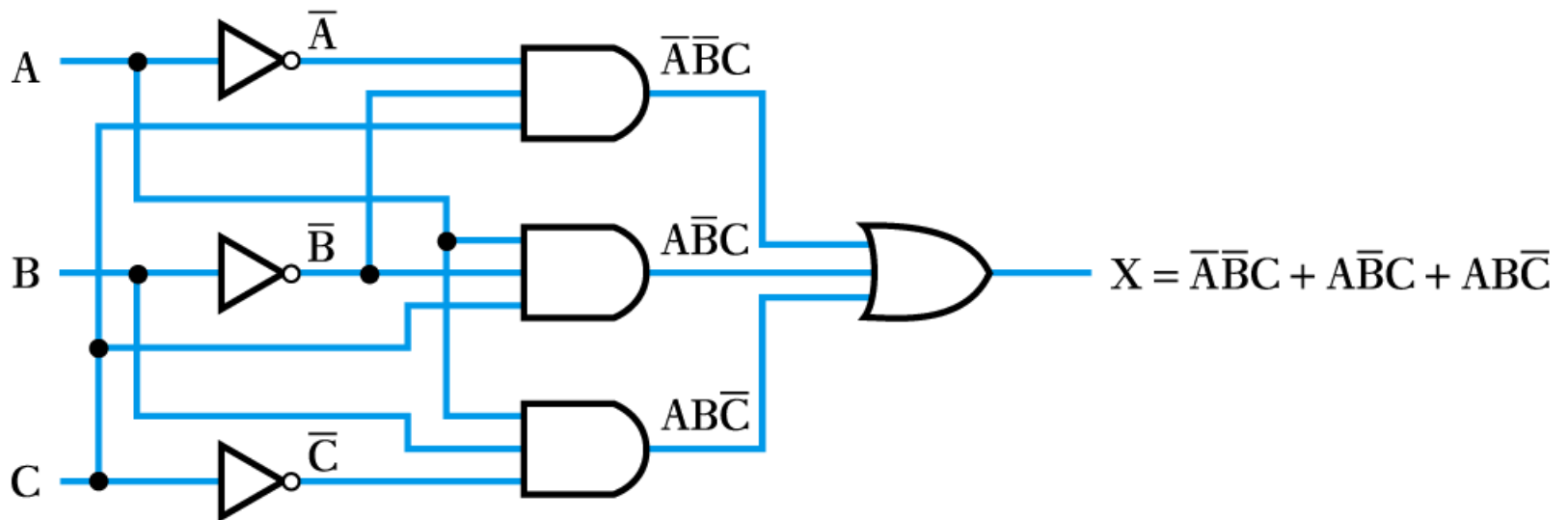
A	B	C	X
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

- first write down a Boolean expression for the output
- then implement as before
- in this case

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

## Example (continued)

The logic function  $X = \bar{A}\bar{B}C + A\bar{B}C + AB\bar{C}$  can then be implemented as before

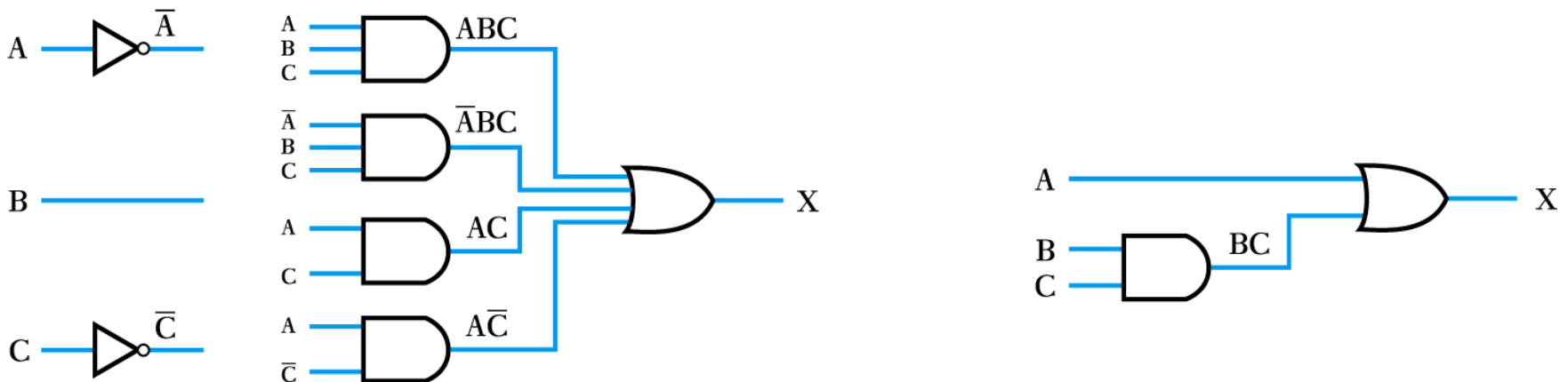


- In some cases it is possible to *simplify* logic expressions using the rules of Boolean algebra

### Example –

$X = ABC + \overline{A}BC + AC + A\overline{C}$  can be simplified to  $X = BC + A$

hence the following circuits are equivalent



# Number Systems and Binary Arithmetic

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- Most number systems are order dependent

- **Decimal**

$$1234_{10} = (1 \times 10^3) + (2 \times 10^2) + (3 \times 10^1) + (4 \times 10^0)$$

- **Binary**

$$1101_2 = (1 \times 2^3) + (1 \times 2^2) + (0 \times 2^1) + (1 \times 2^0)$$

- **Octal**

$$123_8 = (1 \times 8^3) + (2 \times 8^2) + (3 \times 8^1)$$

- **Hexadecimal**

$$123_{16} = (1 \times 16^3) + (2 \times 16^2) + (3 \times 16^1)$$

here we need 16 characters – 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F

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## ■ Number conversion

- conversion to decimal

- add up decimal equivalent of individual digits

**Example** – see **Example 9.8** in the course text

Convert  $11010_2$  to decimal

$$\begin{aligned} 11010_2 &= (1 \times 2^4) + (1 \times 2^3) + (0 \times 2^2) + (1 \times 2^1) + (0 \times 2^0) \\ &= 16 + 8 + 0 + 2 + 0 \\ &= 26_{10} \end{aligned}$$

## ■ Number conversion


– conversion from decimal

- repeatedly divide by the base and remember the remainder

**Example** – see **Example 9.9** in the course text

Convert  $26_{10}$  to binary

	Number	Remainder
Starting point	26	
$\div 2$	13	0
$\div 2$	6	1
$\div 2$	3	0
$\div 2$	1	1
$\div 2$	0	1



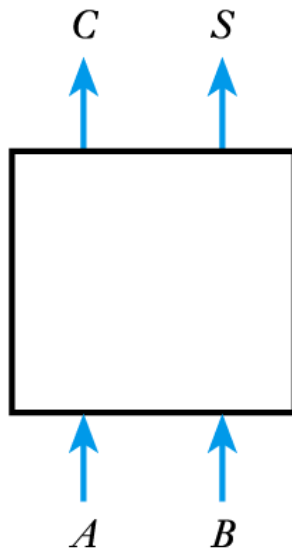
read number from this

end

=11010

## ■ Binary arithmetic

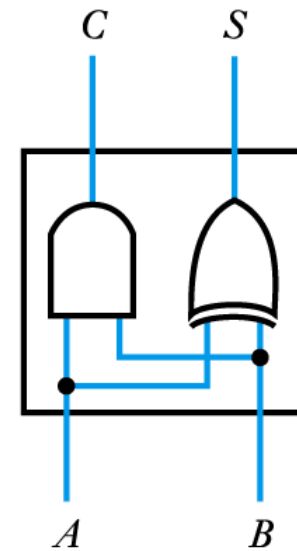
- much simpler than decimal arithmetic
- can be performed by simple circuits, e.g. half adder



(a) Block diagram

A	B	C	S
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0

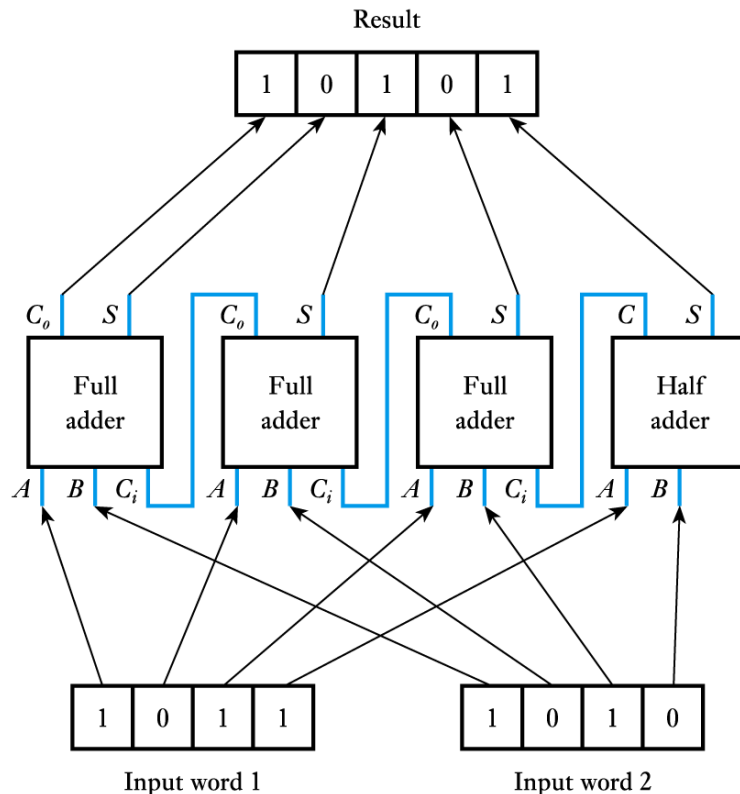
(b) Truth table



(c) Circuit diagram



- More complex circuits can add digital words



- Similar circuits can be constructed to perform subtraction – see text
- More complex arithmetic (such as multiplication and division) *can* be done by dedicated hardware but is more often performed using a microcomputer or complex logic device

# Numeric and Alphabetic Codes

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## ■ Binary code

- by far the most common way of representing numeric information
- has advantages of simplicity and efficiency of storage

Decimal	Binary
0	0
1	1
2	10
3	11
4	100
5	101
6	110
7	111
8	1000
9	1001
10	1010
11	1011
12	1100
etc.	etc.

# Numeric and Alphabetic Codes

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## ■ Binary-coded decimal code

- formed by converting each digit of a decimal number individually into binary
- requires more digits than conventional binary
- has advantage of very easy conversion to/from decimal
- used where input and output are in decimal form

Decimal	Binary
0	0
1	1
2	10
3	11
4	100
5	101
6	110
7	111
8	1000
9	1001
10	10000
11	10001
12	10010
etc.	etc.

# Numeric and Alphabetic Codes

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- **ASCII code**

- **A**merican **S**tandard **C**ode for **I**nformation **I**nterchange
- an **alphanumeric code**
- each character represented by a 7-bit code
  - gives 128 possible characters
  - codes defined for upper and lower-case alphabetic characters, digits 0 – 9, punctuation marks and various non-printing control characters (such as carriage-return and backspace)

# Numeric and Alphabetic Codes

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## ■ Error detecting and correcting codes

- adding redundant information into codes allows the *detection* of transmission errors
  - examples include the use of parity bits and checksums
- adding additional redundancy allows errors to be not only detected but also *corrected*
  - such techniques are used in CDs, mobile phones and computer disks

# Key Points

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- It is common to represent the two states of a binary variable by '0' and '1'
- Logic circuits are usually implemented using logic gates
- Circuits in which the output is determined solely by the current inputs are termed combinational logic circuits
- Logic functions can be described by truth tables or using Boolean algebraic notation
- Binary digits may be combined to form digital words
- Digital words can be processed using binary arithmetic
- Several codes can be used to represent different forms of information