

Combinational logic

- Basic logic
 - Boolean algebra, proofs by re-writing, proofs by perfect induction
 - logic functions, truth tables, and switches
 - NOT, AND, OR, NAND, NOR, XOR, . . ., minimal set
- Logic realization
 - two-level logic and canonical forms
 - incompletely specified functions
- Simplification
 - uniting theorem
 - grouping of terms in Boolean functions
- Alternate representations of Boolean functions
 - cubes
 - Karnaugh maps

Possible logic functions of two variables

- There are 16 possible functions of 2 input variables:
 - in general, there are $2^{(2^n)}$ functions of n inputs



X	Y	16 possible functions (F0–F15)															
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
		0		X		Y		X <u>xor</u> Y		X <u>or</u> Y		X <u>nor</u> Y not (X <u>or</u> Y)		X = Y		not Y	
		X <u>and</u> Y												not X		X <u>nand</u> Y not (X <u>and</u> Y)	

Cost of different logic functions

- Different functions are easier or harder to implement
 - each has a cost associated with the number of switches needed
 - 0 (F0) and 1 (F15): require 0 switches, directly connect output to low/high
 - X (F3) and Y (F5): require 0 switches, output is one of inputs
 - X' (F12) and Y' (F10): require 2 switches for "inverter" or NOT-gate
 - X nor Y (F4) and X nand Y (F14): require 4 switches
 - X or Y (F7) and X and Y (F1): require 6 switches
 - $X = Y$ (F9) and $X \oplus Y$ (F6): require 16 switches
- thus, because NOT, NOR, and NAND are the cheapest they are the functions we implement the most in practice

Minimal set of functions

- Can we implement all logic functions from NOT, NOR, and NAND?
 - For example, implementing X and Y is the same as implementing $\text{not } (X \text{ nand } Y)$
- In fact, we can do it with only NOR or only NAND
 - NOT is just a NAND or a NOR with both inputs tied together

X	Y	X nor Y
0	0	1
1	1	0

X	Y	X nand Y
0	0	1
1	1	0

- and NAND and NOR are "duals", that is, its easy to implement one using the other

$$X \text{ nand } Y \equiv \text{not } ((\text{not } X) \text{ nor } (\text{not } Y))$$

$$X \text{ nor } Y \equiv \text{not } ((\text{not } X) \text{ nand } (\text{not } Y))$$

- But lets not move too fast . . .
 - lets look at the mathematical foundation of logic

An algebraic structure

- An algebraic structure consists of

- a set of elements B
- binary operations $\{ + , \cdot \}$
- and a unary operation $\{ ' \}$
- such that the following axioms hold:

1. the set B contains at least two elements: a, b

2. closure: $a + b$ is in B

$a \cdot b$ is in B

3. commutativity: $a + b = b + a$

$a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

4. associativity: $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$

$a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$

5. identity: $a + 0 = a$

$a \cdot 1 = a$

6. distributivity: $a + (b \cdot c) = (a + b) \cdot (a + c)$

$a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$

7. complementarity: $a + a' = 1$

$a \cdot a' = 0$

Boolean algebra

- Boolean algebra
 - $B = \{0, 1\}$
 - variables
 - $+$ is logical OR, \bullet is logical AND
 - $'$ is logical NOT
- All algebraic axioms hold

Logic functions and Boolean algebra

- Any logic function that can be expressed as a truth table can be written as an expression in Boolean algebra using the operators: ', +, and •

X	Y	$X \bullet Y$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

X	Y	X'	$X' \bullet Y$
0	0	1	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0

X	Y	X'	Y'	$X \bullet Y$	$X' \bullet Y'$	$(X \bullet Y) + (X' \bullet Y')$
0	0	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	1

$$(X \bullet Y) + (X' \bullet Y') \equiv X = Y$$

Boolean expression that is true when the variables X and Y have the same value and false, otherwise

X, Y are Boolean algebra variables

Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra

- identity

1. $X + 0 = X$

1D. $X \cdot 1 = X$

- null

2. $X + 1 = 1$

2D. $X \cdot 0 = 0$

- idempotency:

3. $X + X = X$

3D. $X \cdot X = X$

- involution:

4. $(X')' = X$

- complementarity:

5. $X + X' = 1$

5D. $X \cdot X' = 0$

- commutativity:

6. $X + Y = Y + X$

6D. $X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$

- associativity:

7. $(X + Y) + Z = X + (Y + Z)$

7D. $(X \cdot Y) \cdot Z = X \cdot (Y \cdot Z)$

Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra (cont'd)

- distributivity:

$$8. X \cdot (Y + Z) = (X \cdot Y) + (X \cdot Z) \quad 8D. X + (Y \cdot Z) = (X + Y) \cdot (X + Z)$$

- uniting:

$$9. X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X$$

$$9D. (X + Y) \cdot (X + Y') = X$$

- absorption:

$$10. X + X \cdot Y = X$$

$$10D. X \cdot (X + Y) = X$$

$$11. (X + Y') \cdot Y = X \cdot Y$$

$$11D. (X \cdot Y') + Y = X + Y$$

- factoring:

$$12. (X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z) = \\ X \cdot Z + X' \cdot Y$$

$$12D. X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z = \\ (X + Z) \cdot (X' + Y)$$

- consensus:

$$13. (X \cdot Y) + (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z) = \\ X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z$$

$$13D. (X + Y) \cdot (Y + Z) \cdot (X' + Z) = \\ (X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z)$$

Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra (cont'd)

- de Morgan's:

$$14. (X + Y + \dots)' = X' \cdot Y' \cdot \dots \quad 14D. (X \cdot Y \cdot \dots)' = X' + Y' + \dots$$

- generalized de Morgan's:

$$15. f'(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, 0, 1, +, \cdot) = f(X_1', X_2', \dots, X_n', 1, 0, \cdot, +)$$

- establishes relationship between \cdot and $+$

Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra (cont'd)

■ Duality

- a dual of a Boolean expression is derived by replacing
 - by +, + by •, 0 by 1, and 1 by 0, and leaving variables unchanged
- any theorem that can be proven is thus also proven for its dual!
- a meta-theorem (a theorem about theorems)

■ duality:

$$16. X + Y + \dots \Leftrightarrow X \cdot Y \cdot \dots$$

■ generalized duality:

$$17. f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, 0, 1, +, \cdot) \Leftrightarrow f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, 1, 0, \cdot, +)$$

■ Different than deMorgan's Law

- this is a statement about theorems
- this is not a way to manipulate (re-write) expressions

Proving theorems (rewriting)

■ Using the axioms of Boolean algebra:

□ e.g., prove the theorem: $X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X$

distributivity (8)	$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y'$	$=$	$X \cdot (Y + Y')$
complementarity (5)	$X \cdot (Y + Y')$	$=$	$X \cdot (1)$
identity (1D)	$X \cdot (1)$	$=$	X 🌐

□ e.g., prove the theorem: $X + X \cdot Y = X$

identity (1D)	$X + X \cdot Y$	$=$	$X \cdot 1 + X \cdot Y$
distributivity (8)	$X \cdot 1 + X \cdot Y$	$=$	$X \cdot (1 + Y)$
identity (2)	$X \cdot (1 + Y)$	$=$	$X \cdot (1)$
identity (1D)	$X \cdot (1)$	$=$	X 🌐

Activity

- Prove the following using the laws of Boolean algebra:
 - $(X \cdot Y) + (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z) = X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z$

Proving theorems (perfect induction)

- Using perfect induction (complete truth table):
 - e.g., de Morgan's:

$(X + Y)' = X' \cdot Y'$
NOR is equivalent to AND
with inputs complemented

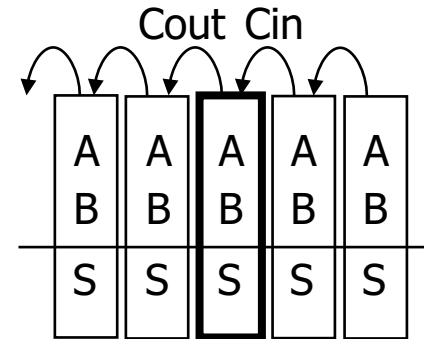
X	Y	X'	Y'	$(X + Y)'$	$X' \cdot Y'$
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0

$(X \cdot Y)' = X' + Y'$
NAND is equivalent to OR
with inputs complemented

X	Y	X'	Y'	$(X \cdot Y)'$	$X' + Y'$
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	0

A simple example: 1-bit binary adder

- Inputs: A, B, Carry-in
- Outputs: Sum, Carry-out



A	B	Cin	Cout	S
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1



$$S = A' B' \text{Cin} + A' B \text{Cin}' + A B' \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin}$$
$$\text{Cout} = A' B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin}$$

Apply the theorems to simplify expressions

- The theorems of Boolean algebra can simplify Boolean expressions
 - e.g., full adder's carry-out function (same rules apply to any function)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cout} &= A' B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin} \\ &= A' B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + \boxed{A B \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}} \\ &= A' B \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin} \\ &= (A' + A) B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin} \\ &= (1) B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin} \\ &= B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + \boxed{A B \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}} \\ &= B \text{Cin} + A B' \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin} \\ &= B \text{Cin} + A (B' + B) \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin} \\ &= B \text{Cin} + A (1) \text{Cin} + A B \text{Cin}' + A B \text{Cin} \\ &= B \text{Cin} + A \text{Cin} + A B (\text{Cin}' + \text{Cin}) \\ &= B \text{Cin} + A \text{Cin} + A B (1) \\ &= B \text{Cin} + A \text{Cin} + A B\end{aligned}$$

adding extra terms
creates new factoring
opportunities

Activity

- Fill in the truth-table for a circuit that checks that a 4-bit number is divisible by 2, 3, or 5

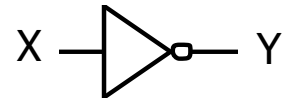
x8	x4	x2	x1	By2	By3	By5
0	0	0	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	0

- Write down Boolean expressions for By2, By3, and By5

Activity

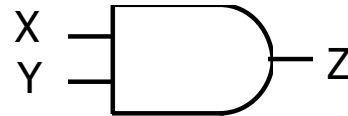
From Boolean expressions to logic gates

■ NOT X' \bar{X} $\sim X$



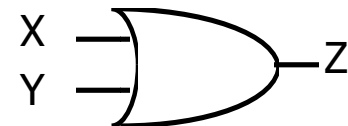
X	Y
0	1
1	0

■ AND $X \cdot Y$ XY $X \wedge Y$



X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

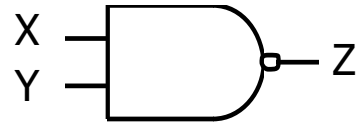
■ OR $X + Y$ $X \vee Y$



X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

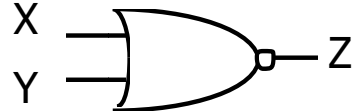
From Boolean expressions to logic gates (cont'd)

■ NAND



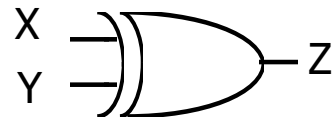
X	Y	Z
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

■ NOR



X	Y	Z
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

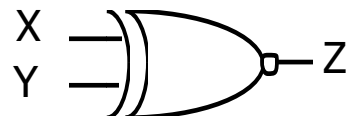
■ XOR $X \oplus Y$



X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

$X \text{ xor } Y = X Y' + X' Y$
X or Y but not both
("inequality", "difference")

■ XNOR $X = Y$



X	Y	Z
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

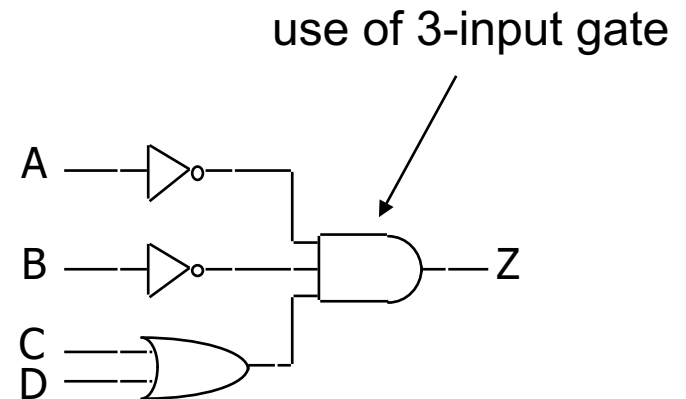
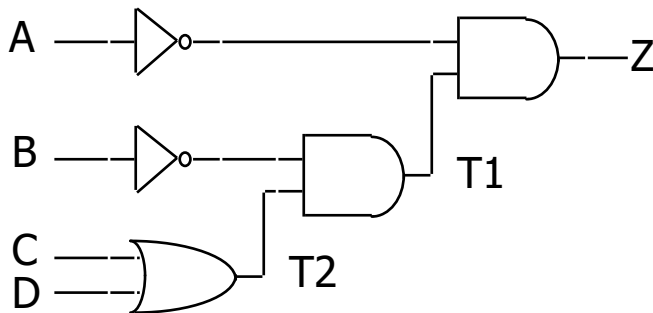
$X \text{ xnor } Y = X Y + X' Y'$
X and Y are the same
("equality", "coincidence")

From Boolean expressions to logic gates (cont'd)

- More than one way to map expressions to gates

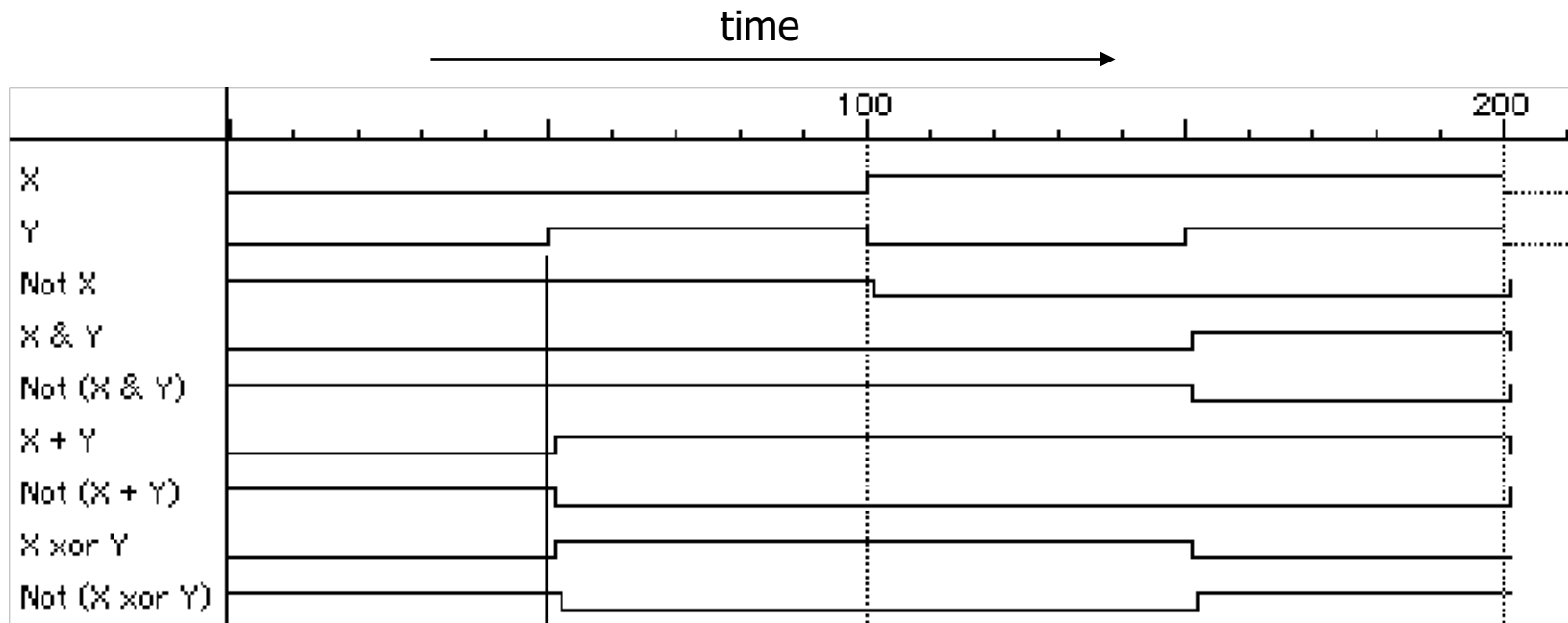
□ e.g., $Z = A' \cdot B' \cdot (C + D) = (A' \cdot (B' \cdot (C + D)))$

$$\frac{\quad T2}{T1}$$



Waveform view of logic functions

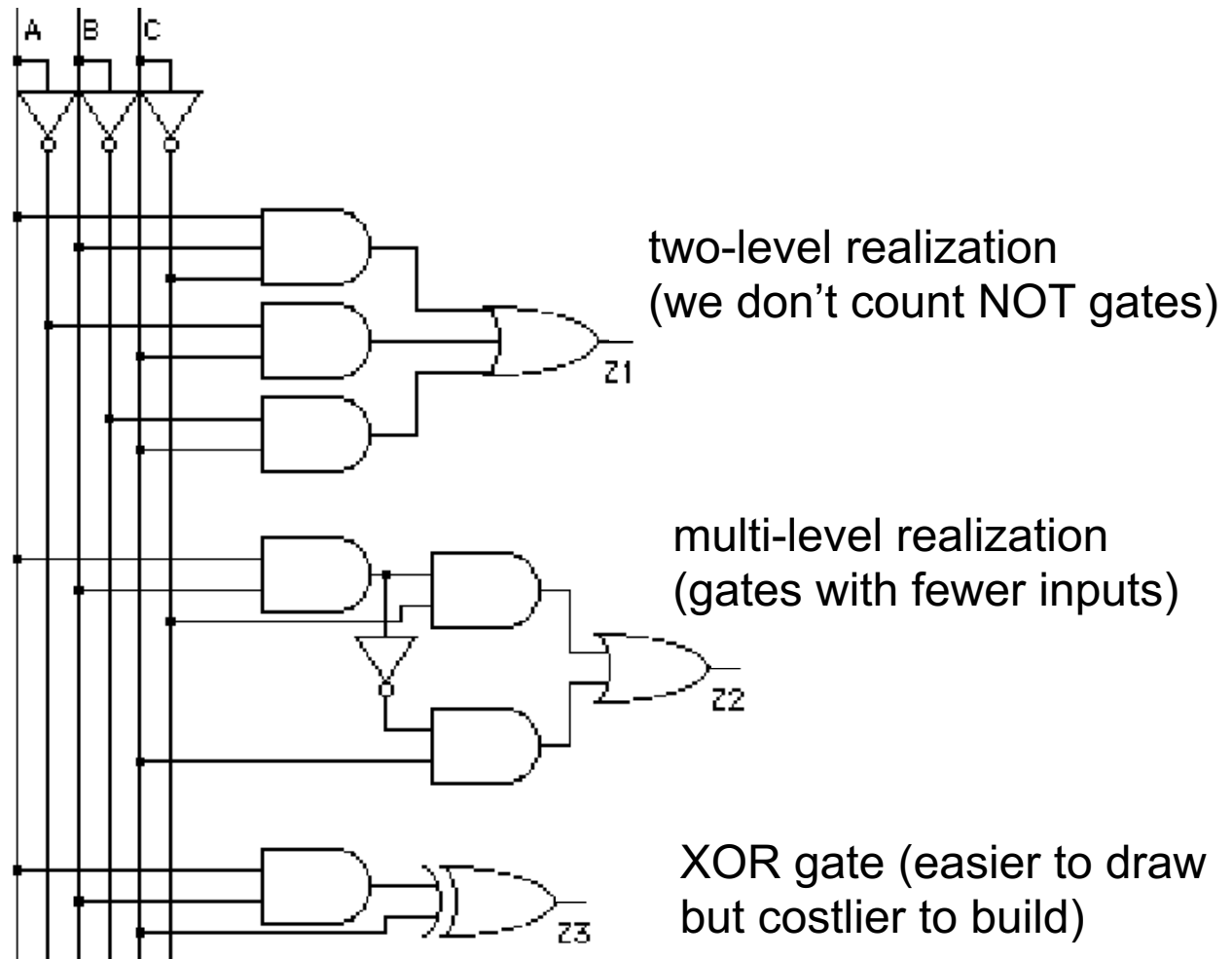
- Just a sideways truth table
 - but note how edges don't line up exactly
 - it takes time for a gate to switch its output!



change in Y takes time to "propagate" through gates

Choosing different realizations of a function

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



Which realization is best?

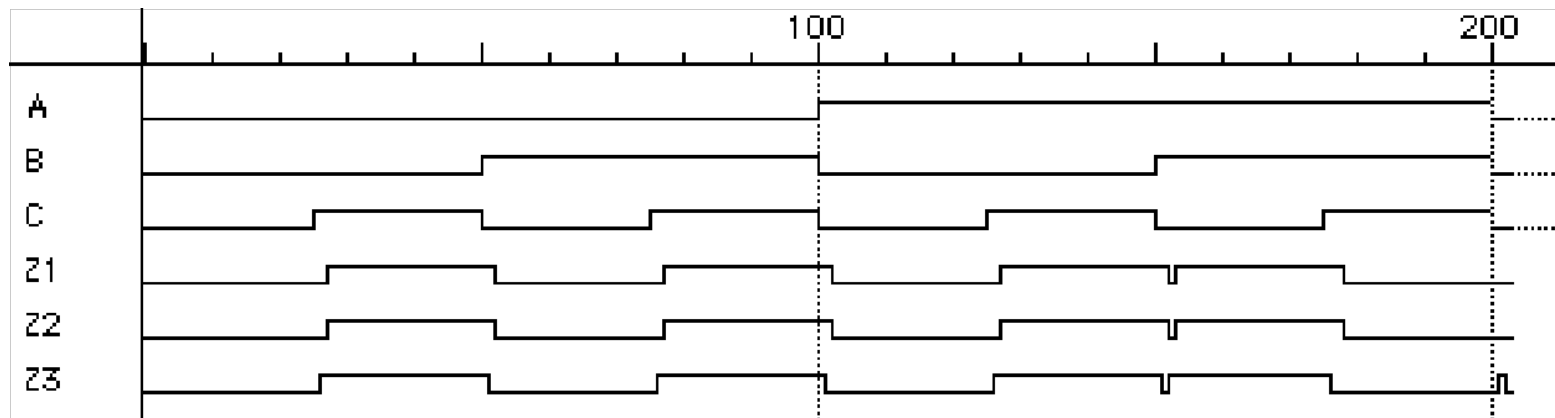
- Reduce number of inputs
 - literal: input variable (complemented or not)
 - can approximate cost of logic gate as 2 transistors per literal
 - why not count inverters?
 - fewer literals means less transistors
 - smaller circuits
 - fewer inputs implies faster gates
 - gates are smaller and thus also faster
 - fan-ins (# of gate inputs) are limited in some technologies
- Reduce number of gates
 - fewer gates (and the packages they come in) means smaller circuits
 - directly influences manufacturing costs

Which is the best realization? (cont'd)

- Reduce number of levels of gates
 - fewer level of gates implies reduced signal propagation delays
 - minimum delay configuration typically requires more gates
 - wider, less deep circuits
- How do we explore tradeoffs between increased circuit delay and size?
 - automated tools to generate different solutions
 - logic minimization: reduce number of gates and complexity
 - logic optimization: reduction while trading off against delay

Are all realizations equivalent?

- Under the same input stimuli, the three alternative implementations have almost the same waveform behavior
 - delays are different
 - glitches (hazards) may arise – these could be bad, it depends
 - variations due to differences in number of gate levels and structure
- The three implementations are functionally equivalent



Implementing Boolean functions

- Technology independent
 - canonical forms
 - two-level forms
 - multi-level forms
- Technology choices
 - packages of a few gates
 - regular logic
 - two-level programmable logic
 - multi-level programmable logic

Canonical forms

- Truth table is the unique signature of a Boolean function
- The same truth table can have many gate realizations
- Canonical forms
 - standard forms for a Boolean expression
 - provides a unique algebraic signature

Sum-of-products canonical forms

- Also known as disjunctive normal form
- Also known as minterm expansion

			$F =$		001	011	101	110	111
			$F =$		$A'B'C$	$+ A'BC$	$+ AB'C$	$+ ABC'$	$+ ABC$
A	B	C	F	F'					
0	0	0	0	1					
0	0	1	1	0					
0	1	0	0	1					
0	1	1	1	0					
1	0	0	0	1					
1	0	1	1	0					
1	1	0	1	0					
1	1	1	1	0					


$F' = A'B'C' + A'BC' + AB'C'$

Sum-of-products canonical form (cont'd)

- Product term (or minterm)
 - ANDed product of literals – input combination for which output is true
 - each variable appears exactly once, true or inverted (but not both)

A	B	C	minterms	
0	0	0	$A'B'C'$	m0
0	0	1	$A'B'C$	m1
0	1	0	$A'BC'$	m2
0	1	1	$A'BC$	m3
1	0	0	$AB'C'$	m4
1	0	1	$AB'C$	m5
1	1	0	ABC'	m6
1	1	1	ABC	m7

short-hand notation for
minterms of 3 variables



F in canonical form:

$$\begin{aligned}F(A, B, C) &= \Sigma m(1,3,5,6,7) \\&= m1 + m3 + m5 + m6 + m7 \\&= A'B'C + A'BC + AB'C + ABC' + ABC\end{aligned}$$

canonical form \neq minimal form

$$\begin{aligned}F(A, B, C) &= A'B'C + A'BC + AB'C + ABC + ABC' \\&= (A'B' + A'B + AB' + AB)C + ABC' \\&= ((A' + A)(B' + B))C + ABC' \\&= C + ABC' \\&= ABC' + C \\&= AB + C\end{aligned}$$

Product-of-sums canonical form

- Also known as conjunctive normal form
- Also known as maxterm expansion

A	B	C	F	F'
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0

$F =$ 000 010 100
 $F = (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) (A' + B + C)$

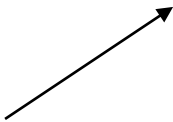
$$F' = (A + B + C') (A + B' + C') (A' + B + C') (A' + B' + C) (A' + B' + C')$$

Product-of-sums canonical form (cont'd)

- Sum term (or maxterm)
 - ORed sum of literals – input combination for which output is false
 - each variable appears exactly once, true or inverted (but not both)

A	B	C	maxterms	
0	0	0	$A+B+C$	M0
0	0	1	$A+B+C'$	M1
0	1	0	$A+B'+C$	M2
0	1	1	$A+B'+C'$	M3
1	0	0	$A'+B+C$	M4
1	0	1	$A'+B+C'$	M5
1	1	0	$A'+B'+C$	M6
1	1	1	$A'+B'+C'$	M7

short-hand notation for
maxterms of 3 variables



F in canonical form:

$$\begin{aligned} F(A, B, C) &= \prod M(0, 2, 4) \\ &= M0 \bullet M2 \bullet M4 \\ &= (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) (A' + B + C) \end{aligned}$$

canonical form \neq minimal form

$$\begin{aligned} F(A, B, C) &= (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) (A' + B + C) \\ &= (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) \\ &\quad (A + B + C) (A' + B + C) \\ &= (A + C) (B + C) \end{aligned}$$

S-o-P, P-o-S, and de Morgan's theorem

■ Sum-of-products

- $F' = A'B'C' + A'BC' + AB'C'$

■ Apply de Morgan's

- $(F')' = (A'B'C' + A'BC' + AB'C')'$

- $F = (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) (A' + B + C)$

■ Product-of-sums

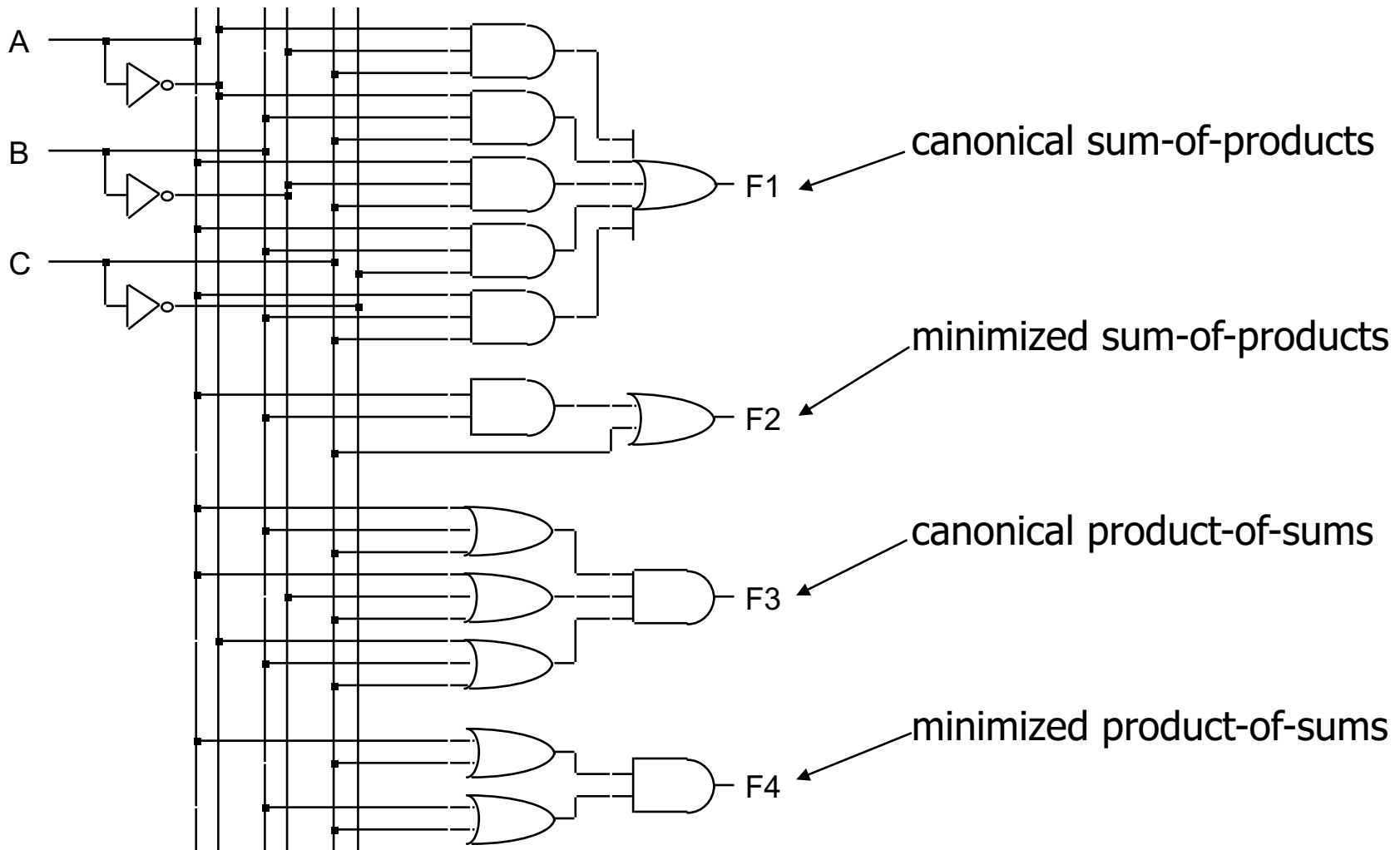
- $F' = (A + B + C') (A + B' + C') (A' + B + C') (A' + B' + C) (A' + B' + C')$

■ Apply de Morgan's

- $(F')' = ((A + B + C')(A + B' + C')(A' + B + C')(A' + B' + C)(A' + B' + C'))'$

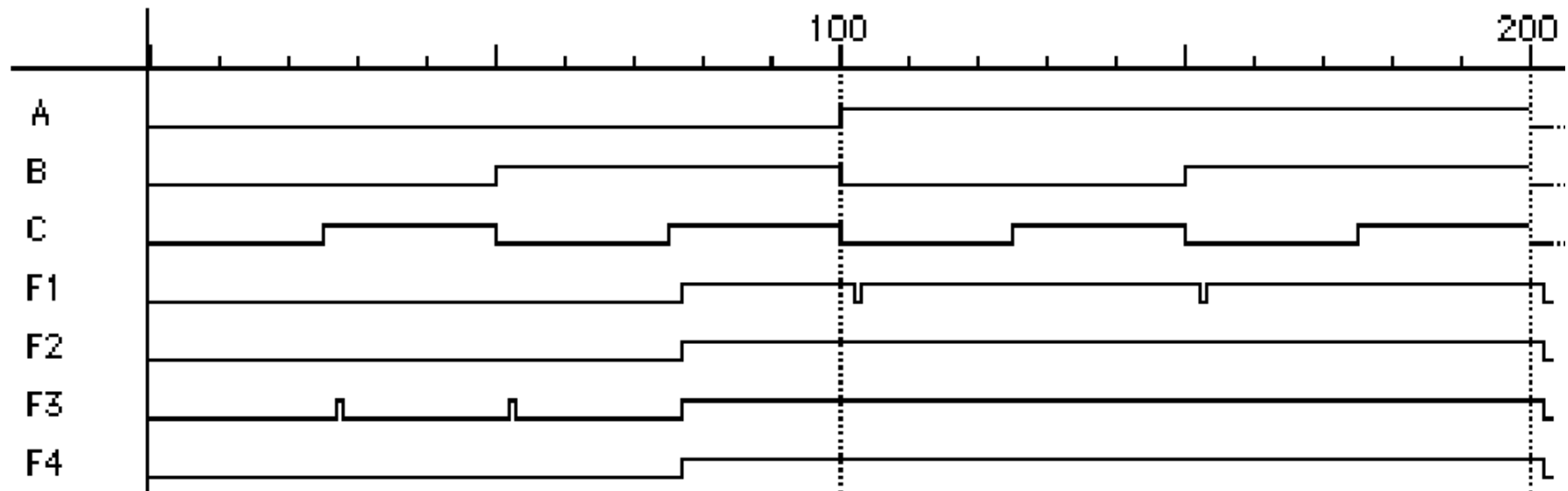
- $F = A'B'C + A'BC + AB'C + ABC' + ABC$

Four alternative two-level implementations of $F = AB + C$



Waveforms for the four alternatives

- Waveforms are essentially identical
 - except for timing hazards (glitches)
 - delays almost identical (modeled as a delay per level, not type of gate or number of inputs to gate)



Mapping between canonical forms

- Minterm to maxterm conversion
 - use maxterms whose indices do not appear in minterm expansion
 - e.g., $F(A,B,C) = \sum m(1,3,5,6,7) = \prod M(0,2,4)$
- Maxterm to minterm conversion
 - use minterms whose indices do not appear in maxterm expansion
 - e.g., $F(A,B,C) = \prod M(0,2,4) = \sum m(1,3,5,6,7)$
- Minterm expansion of F to minterm expansion of F'
 - use minterms whose indices do not appear
 - e.g., $F(A,B,C) = \sum m(1,3,5,6,7) \quad F'(A,B,C) = \sum m(0,2,4)$
- Maxterm expansion of F to maxterm expansion of F'
 - use maxterms whose indices do not appear
 - e.g., $F(A,B,C) = \prod M(0,2,4) \quad F'(A,B,C) = \prod M(1,3,5,6,7)$

Incompletely specified functions

- Example: binary coded decimal increment by 1
 - BCD digits encode the decimal digits 0 – 9 in the bit patterns 0000 – 1001

A	B	C	D	W	X	Y	Z	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	off-set of W
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	on-set of W
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	don't care (DC) set of W
0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	
0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
1	0	1	0	X	X	X	X	these inputs patterns should never be encountered in practice – <u>"don't care"</u> about associated output values, can be exploited in minimization
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	

Notation for incompletely specified functions

- Don't cares and canonical forms
 - so far, only represented on-set
 - also represent don't-care-set
 - need two of the three sets (on-set, off-set, dc-set)
- Canonical representations of the BCD increment by 1 function:
 - $Z = m_0 + m_2 + m_4 + m_6 + m_8 + d_{10} + d_{11} + d_{12} + d_{13} + d_{14} + d_{15}$
 - $Z = \Sigma [m(0,2,4,6,8) + d(10,11,12,13,14,15)]$
 - $Z = M_1 \cdot M_3 \cdot M_5 \cdot M_7 \cdot M_9 \cdot D_{10} \cdot D_{11} \cdot D_{12} \cdot D_{13} \cdot D_{14} \cdot D_{15}$
 - $Z = \Pi [M(1,3,5,7,9) \cdot D(10,11,12,13,14,15)]$

Simplification of two-level combinational logic

- Finding a minimal sum of products or product of sums realization
 - exploit don't care information in the process
- Algebraic simplification
 - not an algorithmic/systematic procedure
 - how do you know when the minimum realization has been found?
- Computer-aided design tools
 - precise solutions require very long computation times, especially for functions with many inputs (> 10)
 - heuristic methods employed – "educated guesses" to reduce amount of computation and yield good if not best solutions
- Hand methods still relevant
 - to understand automatic tools and their strengths and weaknesses
 - ability to check results (on small examples)

The uniting theorem

- Key tool to simplification: $A(B' + B) = A$
- Essence of simplification of two-level logic
 - find two element subsets of the ON-set where only one variable changes its value – this single varying variable can be eliminated and a single product term used to represent both elements

$$F = A'B' + AB' = (A' + A)B' = B'$$

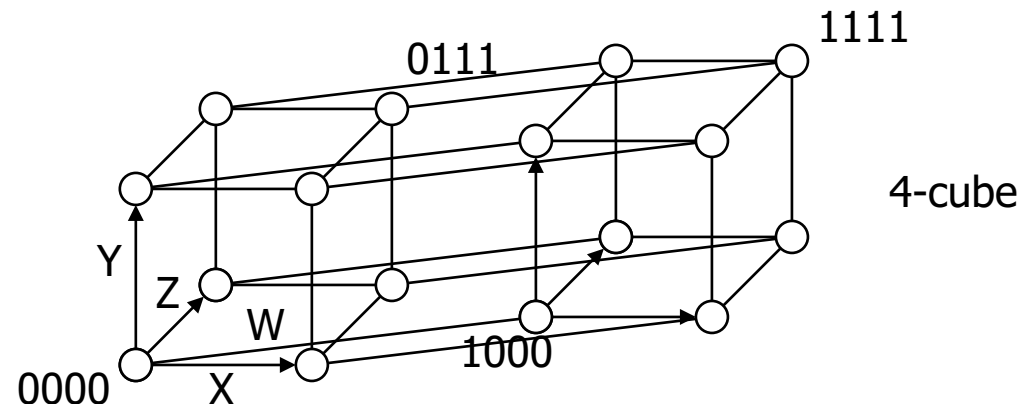
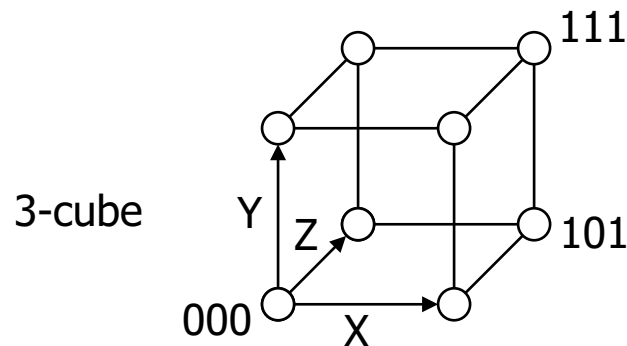
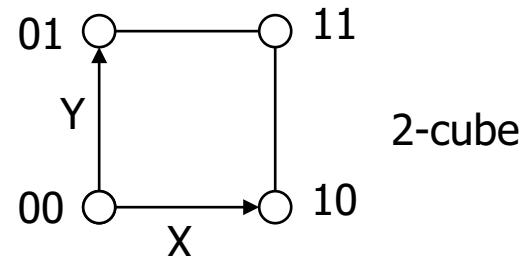
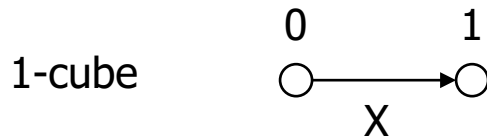
A	B	F
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0

B has the same value in both on-set rows
– B remains

A has a different value in the two rows
– A is eliminated

Boolean cubes

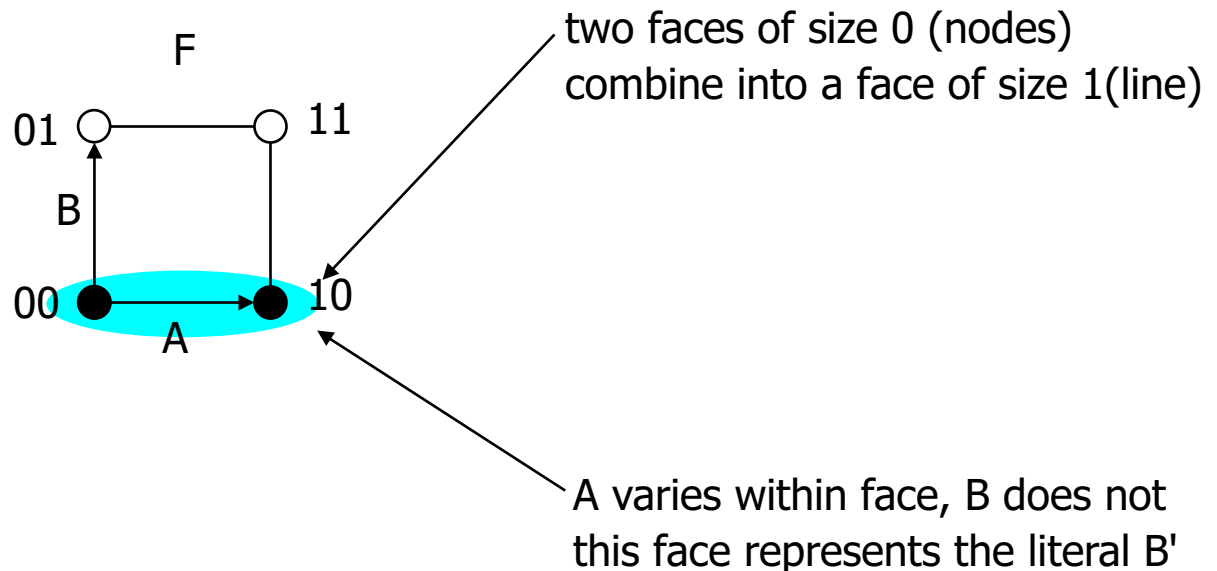
- Visual technique for indentifying when the uniting theorem can be applied
- n input variables = n -dimensional "cube"



Mapping truth tables onto Boolean cubes

- Uniting theorem combines two "faces" of a cube into a larger "face"
- Example:

A	B	F
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0

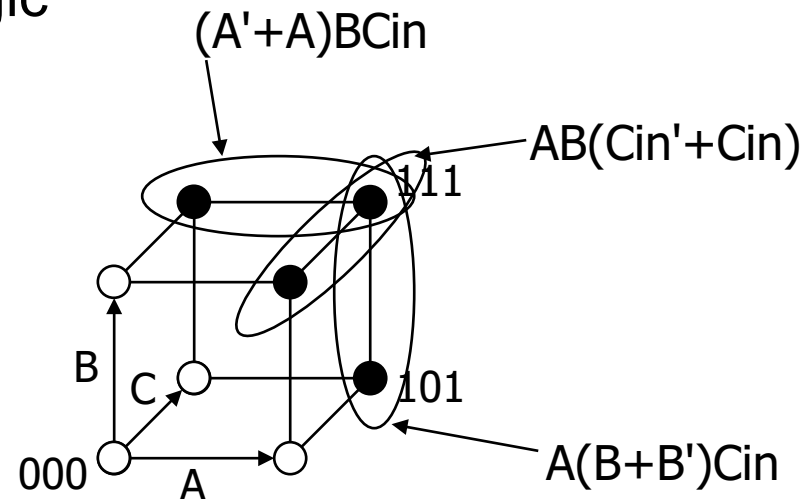


ON-set = solid nodes
OFF-set = empty nodes
DC-set = x'd nodes

Three variable example

■ Binary full-adder carry-out logic

A	B	Cin	Cout
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

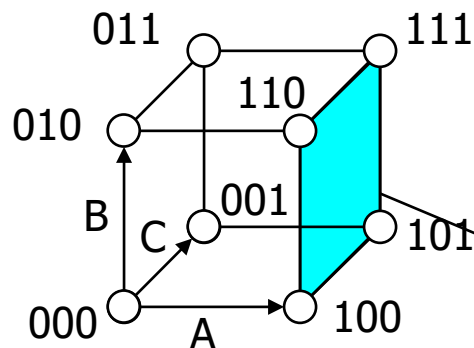


the on-set is completely covered by the combination (OR) of the subcubes of lower dimensionality - note that "111" is covered three times

$$Cout = BCin + AB + ACin$$

Higher dimensional cubes

- Sub-cubes of higher dimension than 2



$$F(A,B,C) = \sum m(4,5,6,7)$$

on-set forms a square
i.e., a cube of dimension 2

*represents an expression in one variable
i.e., 3 dimensions – 2 dimensions*

A is asserted (true) and unchanged
B and C vary

This subcube represents the
literal A

m-dimensional cubes in a n-dimensional Boolean space

- In a 3-cube (three variables):
 - a 0-cube, i.e., a single node, yields a term in 3 literals
 - a 1-cube, i.e., a line of two nodes, yields a term in 2 literals
 - a 2-cube, i.e., a plane of four nodes, yields a term in 1 literal
 - a 3-cube, i.e., a cube of eight nodes, yields a constant term "1"
- In general,
 - an m-subcube within an n-cube ($m < n$) yields a term with $n - m$ literals

Karnaugh maps

- Flat map of Boolean cube
 - wrap-around at edges
 - hard to draw and visualize for more than 4 dimensions
 - virtually impossible for more than 6 dimensions
- Alternative to truth-tables to help visualize adjacencies
 - guide to applying the uniting theorem
 - on-set elements with only one variable changing value are adjacent unlike the situation in a linear truth-table

		A	
		0	1
B	0	1 0	1 2
	1	0 1	0 3

A	B	F
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0

Karnaugh maps (cont'd)

- Numbering scheme based on Gray-code
 - e.g., 00, 01, 11, 10
 - only a single bit changes in code for adjacent map cells

AB		A			
		00	01	11	10
C	0	0	2	6	4
	1	1	3	7	5

B

		A			
		0	2	6	4
C	0	0	2	6	4
	1	1	3	7	5

B

		A			
		0	4	12	8
C	0	0	4	12	8
	1	1	5	13	9
C	2	3	7	15	11
	3	2	6	14	10

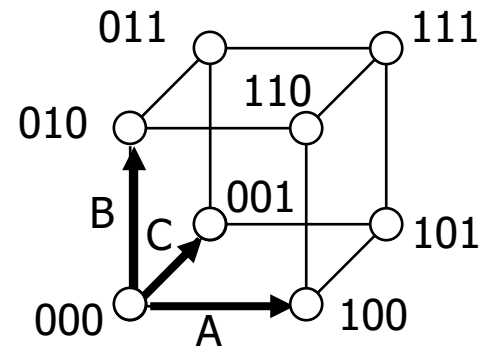
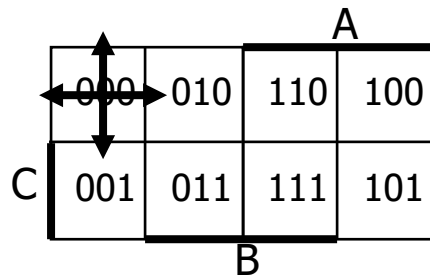
B

D

$$13 = 1101 = ABC'D$$

Adjacencies in Karnaugh maps

- Wrap from first to last column
- Wrap top row to bottom row



Karnaugh map examples

■ $F =$

	A	
	1	1
B	0	0

B'

■ $C_{out} =$

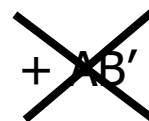
	A		
	0	0	1
Cin	0	1	1
	B		

$AB + AC_{in} + BC_{in}$

■ $f(A,B,C) = \Sigma m(0,4,5,7)$

	A		
	1	0	1
C	0	0	1
	B		

$AC + B'C' + AB'$



obtain the complement of the function by covering 0s with subcubes

More Karnaugh map examples

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

$$G(A,B,C) = A$$

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

$$F(A,B,C) = \sum m(0,4,5,7) = AC + B'C'$$

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

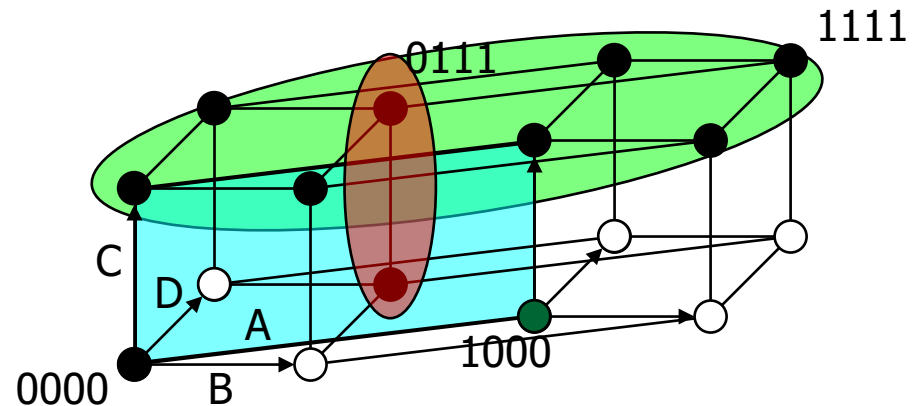
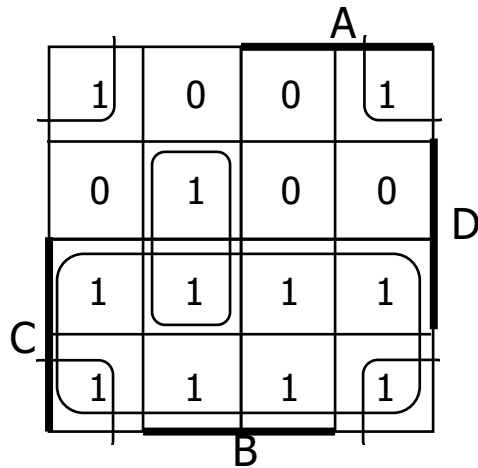
F' simply replace 1's with 0's and vice versa

$$F'(A,B,C) = \sum m(1,2,3,6) = BC' + A'C$$

Karnaugh map: 4-variable example

■ $F(A,B,C,D) = \Sigma m(0,2,3,5,6,7,8,10,11,14,15)$

$$F = C + A'BD + B'D'$$



find the smallest number of the largest possible
subcubes to cover the ON-set
(fewer terms with fewer inputs per term)

Karnaugh maps: don't cares

- $f(A,B,C,D) = \Sigma m(1,3,5,7,9) + d(6,12,13)$
 - without don't cares
 - $f = A'D + B'C'D$

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

Karnaugh maps: don't cares (cont'd)

- $f(A,B,C,D) = \Sigma m(1,3,5,7,9) + d(6,12,13)$
 - $f = A'D + B'C'D$ without don't cares
 - $f = A'D + C'D$ with don't cares

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

C

D

by using don't care as a "1"
a 2-cube can be formed
rather than a 1-cube to cover
this node

don't cares can be treated as
1s or 0s
depending on which is more
advantageous

Activity

- Minimize the function $F = \Sigma m(0, 2, 7, 8, 14, 15) + d(3, 6, 9, 12, 13)$

Combinational logic summary

- Logic functions, truth tables, and switches
 - NOT, AND, OR, NAND, NOR, XOR, . . . , minimal set
- Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra
 - proofs by re-writing and perfect induction
- Gate logic
 - networks of Boolean functions and their time behavior
- Canonical forms
 - two-level and incompletely specified functions
- Simplification
 - a start at understanding two-level simplification
- Later
 - automation of simplification
 - multi-level logic
 - time behavior
 - hardware description languages
 - design case studies