

CMPE 212

Principles of Digital Design

Lecture 8

Analyzing Switching Circuits

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Lecture's Overview

Previous Lecture:

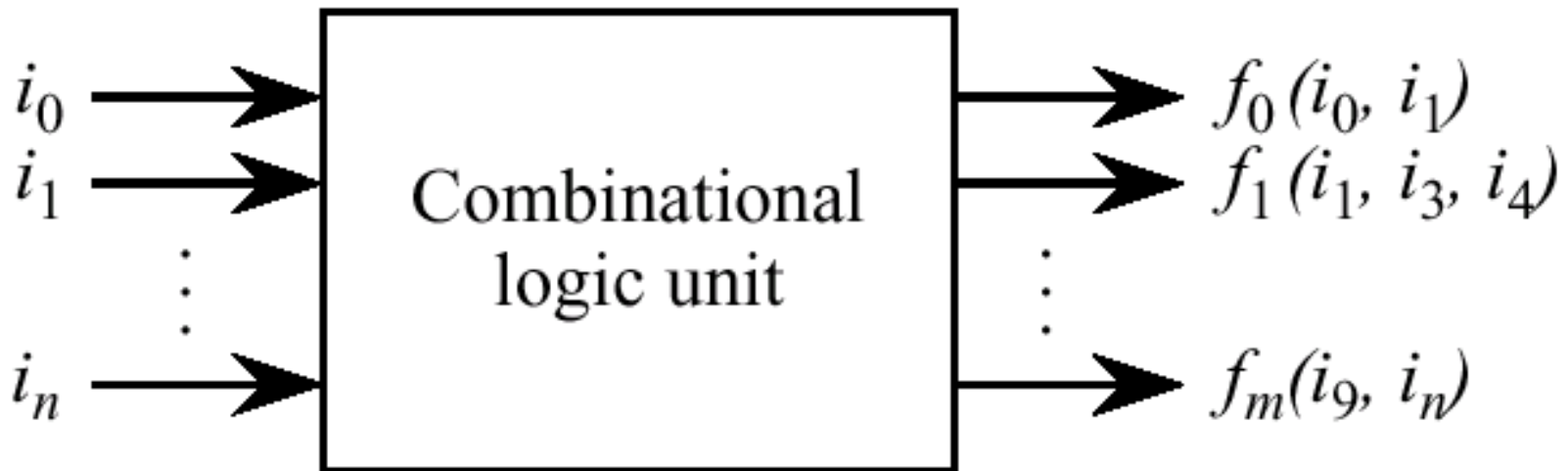
- ➔ Introduction to combinational circuits
(Truth table and Derivation of logic function)
- ➔ Minterms and Maxterms
- ➔ Sum of products and product of sums
- ➔ Canonical form of switching functions
(conversion from simplified to canonical form)

This Lecture:

- ➔ Analyzing switching circuits using algebraic methods
- ➔ Analysis of timing diagram

Combinational Logic

- ❑ Translates a set of inputs into a set of outputs according to one or more mapping functions.
- ❑ Inputs and outputs for a combination logic unit normally have two distinct (binary) values: high and low, 1 and 0, or 5 volt and 0 volt.
- ❑ The outputs of a combinational logic unit (CLU) are strictly functions of the inputs, and the outputs are updated immediately after the inputs change. A set of inputs $i_0 - i_n$ are presented to the CLU, which produces a set of outputs according to mapping functions $f_0 - f_m$



Minterm

- A product term in which each variable is present either in true or in complement form
- For n variables, there are 2^n unique minterms.

	Minterm	Product
000	m_0	$\bar{A} \bar{B} \bar{C}$
001	m_1	$\bar{A} \bar{B} C$
010	m_2	$\bar{A} B \bar{C}$
011	m_3	$\bar{A} B C$
100	m_4	$A \bar{B} \bar{C}$
101	m_5	$A \bar{B} C$
110	m_6	$A B \bar{C}$
111	m_7	$A B C$

Canonical SOP Form

- A Boolean function expressed as a sum of minterms.
- Example: $f(A,B,C) = AB + \bar{A}C + A\bar{C}$
 $= \bar{A}\bar{B}C + \bar{A}BC + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + AB\bar{C} + ABC$
 $= m_1 + m_3 + m_4 + m_6 + m_7 = \sum m(1, 3, 4, 6, 7)$

Truth table with row numbers

Row No.	A	B	C	f(A,B,C)
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1
2	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	1	1
4	1	0	0	1
5	1	0	1	0
6	1	1	0	1
7	1	1	1	1

Maxterm

- A summation term in which each variable is present either in true or in complement form.
- For n variables, there are 2^n unique maxterms.

	Maxterm	Sum
000	M_0	$A + B + C$
001	M_1	$A + B + \bar{C}$
010	M_2	$A + \bar{B} + C$
011	M_3	$A + \bar{B} + \bar{C}$
100	M_4	$\bar{A} + B + C$
101	M_5	$\bar{A} + B + \bar{C}$
110	M_6	$\bar{A} + \bar{B} + C$
111	M_7	$\bar{A} + \bar{B} + \bar{C}$

Canonical POS Form

- A Boolean function expressed as a product of maxterms.
- Example: $f(A,B,C) = A B + \bar{A} C + A \bar{C}$
 $= (A + B + C)(A + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + B + \bar{C})$
 $= M_0 M_2 M_5 = \Pi M(0, 2, 5)$

Truth table with row numbers

Row No.	A	B	C	f(A,B,C)
0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1
2	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	1	1
4	1	0	0	1
5	1	0	1	0
6	1	1	0	1
7	1	1	1	1

Canonical Forms

- A canonical form completely defines a Boolean function. That is, for every input the canonical form specifies the value of the function.
- Canonical forms of a particular switching function are Unique
- To determine a canonical form:
 - Construct truth table and sum minterms corresponding to 1 outputs, or multiply maxterms corresponding to 0 outputs.
 - Alternatively, use Shannon's expansion theorem:
 - $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1 \cdot f(1, x_2, \dots, x_n) + \overline{x_1} \cdot f(0, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
 - $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = [x_1 + f(1, x_2, \dots, x_n)] [\overline{x_1} + f(0, x_2, \dots, x_n)]$
- Two Boolean functions are identical if and only if their canonical forms are identical.

Converting to Canonical Form

Example: $f(x) = AB + A\bar{C} + \bar{A}C$

$$\begin{aligned} &= AB(C + \bar{C}) + A\bar{C}(B + \bar{B}) + \bar{A}C(B + \bar{B}) \\ &= ABC + AB\bar{C} + A\bar{C}B + A\bar{C}\bar{B} + \bar{A}CB + \bar{A}C\bar{B} \\ &= ABC + AB\bar{C} + AB\bar{C} + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + \bar{A}BC + \bar{A}\bar{B}C \\ &= m_7 + m_6 + m_6 + m_4 + m_3 + m_1 \\ &= \sum m(1,3,4,6,7) \end{aligned}$$

Example: $f(A, B, C) = A(A + \bar{C})$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (A + \bar{B})(A + B) \\ &= (A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + C)(A + B + \bar{C})(A + B + C) \\ &= M_3M_2M_1M_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (A + \bar{C}) &= (A + \bar{C} + \bar{B})(A + \bar{C} + B) \\ &= (A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})(A + B + \bar{C}) = M_3M_1 \end{aligned}$$

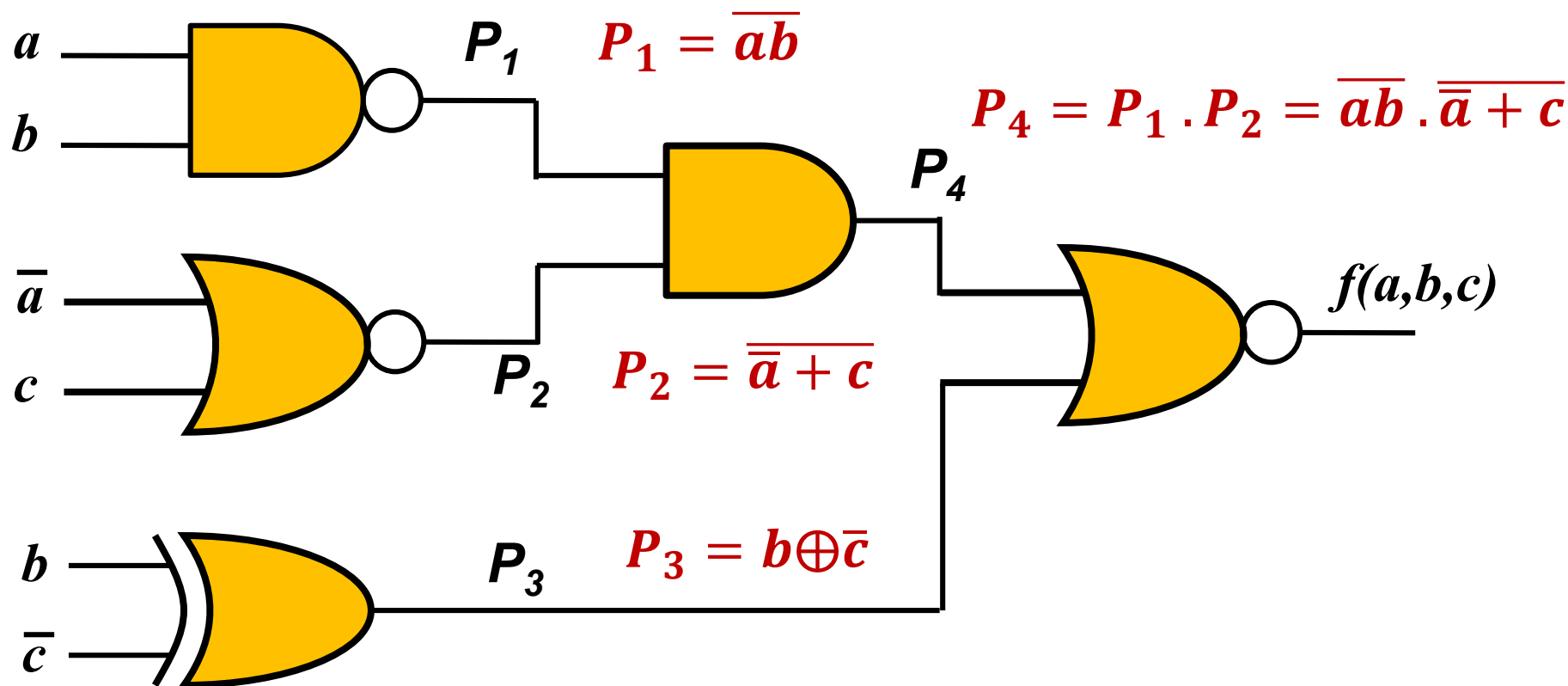
$$f(A, B, C) = (M_3M_2M_1M_0)(M_3M_1) = \prod M(0,1,2,3)$$

Analysis of Combinational Circuits

- ❑ Digital circuits are designed by transforming a word description of a function into a switching equation and then a circuit
 - ➔ Digital circuit analysis is the opposite process
- ❑ A digital circuit can be described by:
 - 1) Switching function (algebraic method)
 - 2) Hardware design language module
 - 3) Truth tables
 - 4) Timing diagram
- ❑ Analysis of a logic circuit is used to:
 - determine that its behavior matches specifications
 - transform the circuit to a different format to optimize the implementation

Algebraic Method

- ❑ Derive the Boolean expression and then apply axioms and theorems to simplify
- ❑ Example: Simplify the following circuit



$$f(a, b, c) = \overline{P_3 + P_4} = \overline{(b \oplus \overline{c}) + \overline{a}b \cdot \overline{\overline{a} + c}}$$

Algebraic Simplification

$$f(a, b, c) = \overline{(b \oplus \bar{c}) + \overline{a\bar{b}} \cdot \bar{a} + c}$$

$$\bar{f}(a, b, c) = (b \oplus \bar{c}) + \overline{a\bar{b}} \cdot \bar{a} + c = b c + \bar{b} \bar{c} + \overline{a\bar{b}} \cdot \bar{a} + c$$

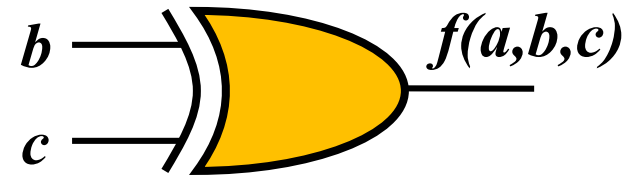
$$= b c + \bar{b} \bar{c} + (\bar{a} + \bar{b}) \cdot (a \bar{c})$$

$$= b c + \bar{b} \bar{c} + \bar{a} a \bar{c} + \bar{b} a \bar{c}$$

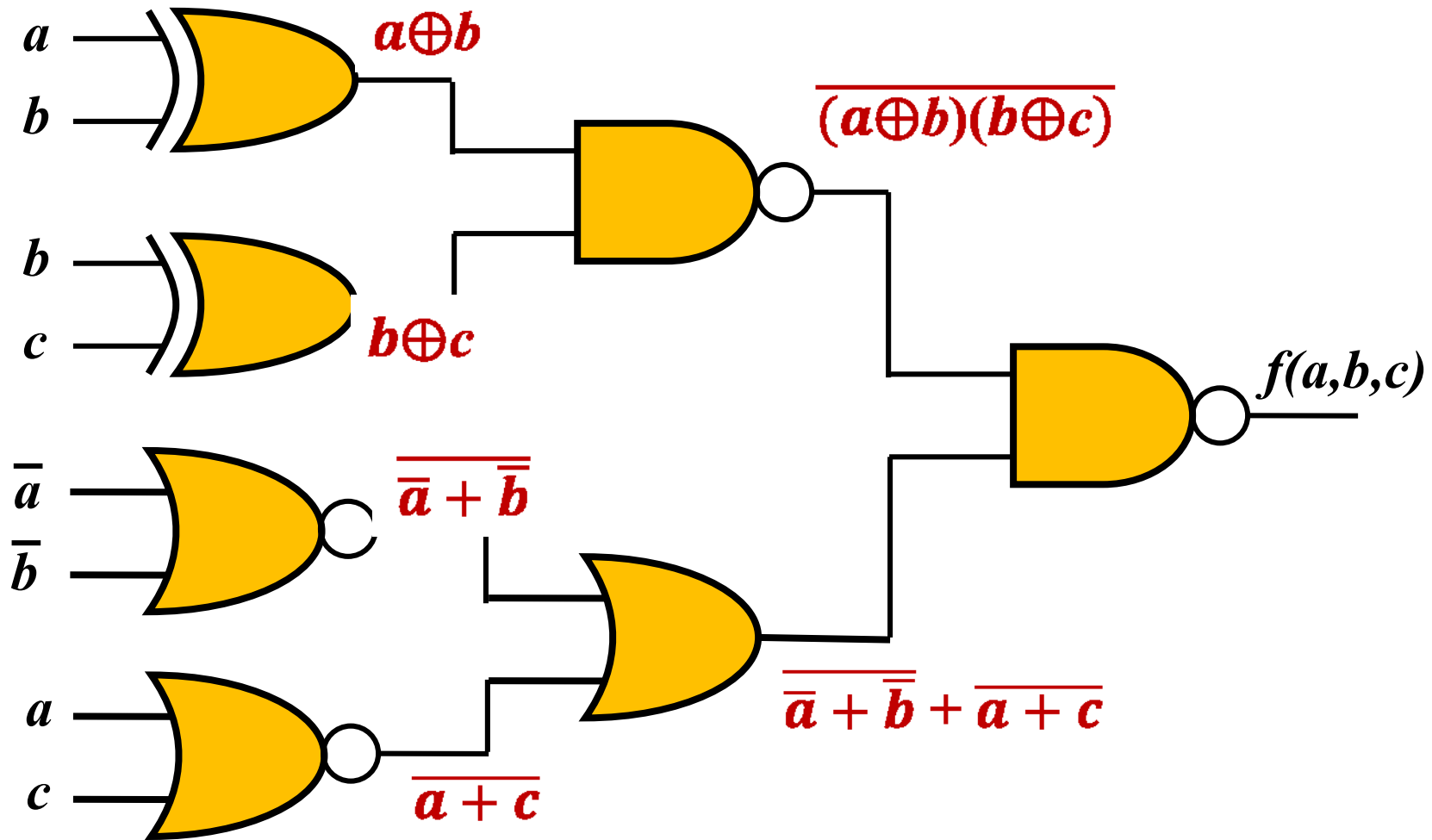
$$= b c + \bar{b} \bar{c} + 0 + a \bar{b} \bar{c} = b c + \bar{b} \bar{c} (1 + a)$$

$$= b c + \bar{b} \bar{c} = (b \odot c)$$

$$f(a, b, c) = \overline{(b \odot c)} = (b \oplus c)$$



Example: Algebraic Method



$$f(a, b, c) = \overline{(a \oplus b)(b \oplus c) \cdot (\bar{a} + \bar{b} + a + c)}$$

Algebraic Simplification

$$\begin{aligned}f(a, b, c) &= \overline{(a \oplus b)(b \oplus c) \cdot (\bar{a} + \bar{b} + a + c)} \\&= \overline{(a \oplus b)(b \oplus c)} + \overline{(\bar{a} + \bar{b} + a + c)} \\&= (a \oplus b)(b \oplus c) + (\bar{a} + \bar{b})(a + c) \\&= (a\bar{b} + \bar{a}b)(b\bar{c} + \bar{b}c) + \bar{a}a + \bar{a}c + \bar{b}a + \bar{b}c \\&= a\bar{b}b\bar{c} + a\bar{b}\bar{b}c + \bar{a}bb\bar{c} + \bar{a}b\bar{b}c + 0 + \bar{a}c + \bar{b}a + \bar{b}c \\&= 0 + a\bar{b}c + \bar{a}b\bar{c} + \bar{a}c + \bar{b}a + \bar{b}c \\&= \bar{a}b\bar{c} + \bar{a}c + \bar{b}a + \bar{b}c \quad \text{Consensus} \\&= \bar{a}b\bar{c} + \bar{a}c + \bar{b}a = \bar{a}(b\bar{c} + c) + a\bar{b} \\&= \bar{a}(b + c) + a\bar{b} = \bar{a}b + \bar{a}c + a\bar{b} = (a \oplus b) + \bar{a}c\end{aligned}$$

Truth Table Method

❑ Build the truth table for the circuit and then derive a simplified switching function using SOP or POS

❑ Example:

to simplify
the previous
circuit

$$\prod M(0,1,7)$$

a	b	c	$\overline{(a \oplus b)(b \oplus c)} \cdot \overline{(\bar{a} + \bar{b} + \bar{a} + \bar{c})}$
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	0
1	1	1	0

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(a, b, c) &= (a + b + c)(\bar{a} + \bar{b} + c)(\bar{a} + \bar{b} + \bar{c}) = (a + b + c)(\bar{a} + \bar{b}) \\
 &= a\bar{a} + a\bar{b} + b\bar{a} + b\bar{b} + \bar{a}c + \bar{b}c = a\bar{b} + b\bar{a} + \bar{a}c + \bar{b}c \\
 &= \mathbf{a\bar{b}} + \mathbf{b\bar{a}} + \mathbf{\bar{a}c} + \mathbf{\bar{b}c} = \mathbf{a\bar{b}} + \mathbf{b\bar{a}} + \mathbf{\bar{a}c} = \mathbf{(a \oplus b) + \bar{a}c}
 \end{aligned}$$

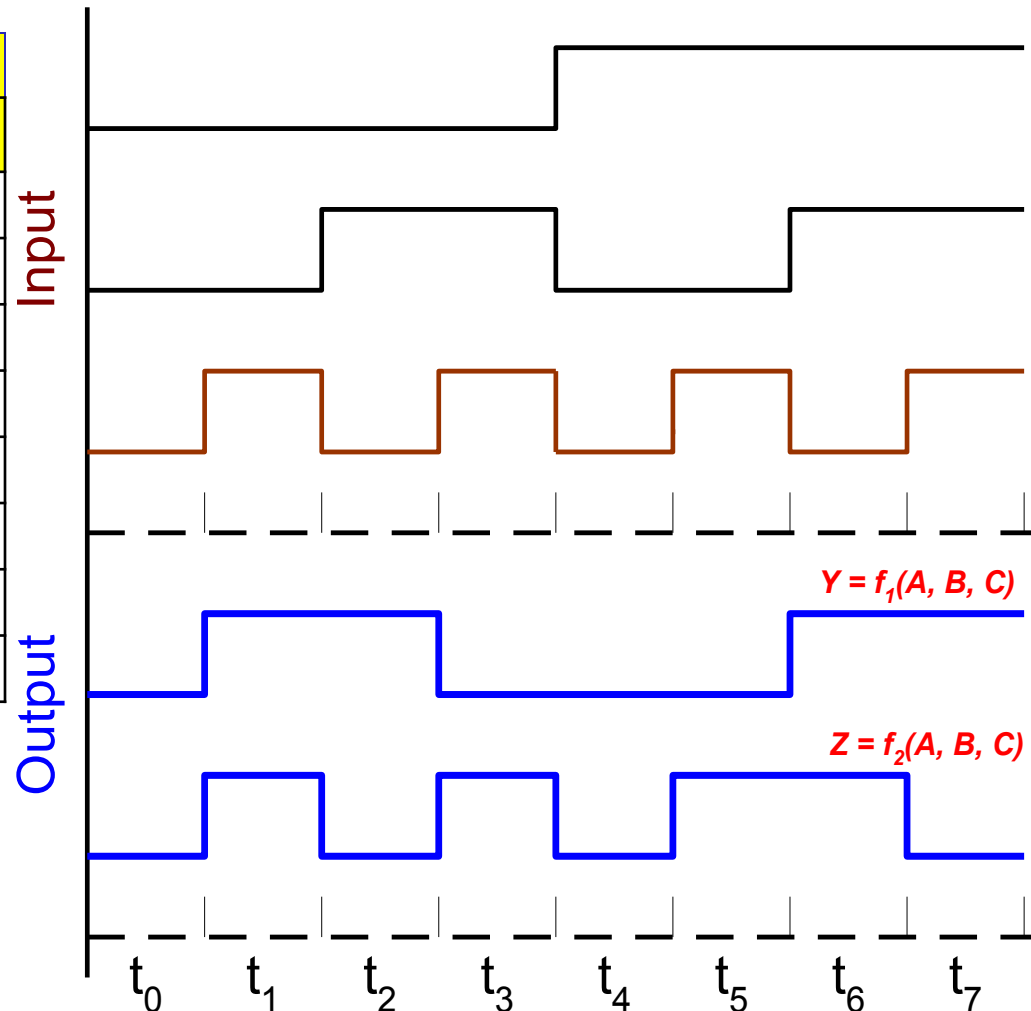
Timing Diagram

- ❑ Apply a sequence of input and observe corresponding output
- ❑ Useful for analyzing the propagation delay:

Time	Input (A, B, C)	Output	
		$f_1(A, B, C)$	$f_2(A, B, C)$
t_0	000	0	0
t_1	001	1	1
t_2	010	1	0
t_3	011	0	1
t_4	100	0	0
t_5	101	0	1
t_6	110	1	1
t_7	111	1	0

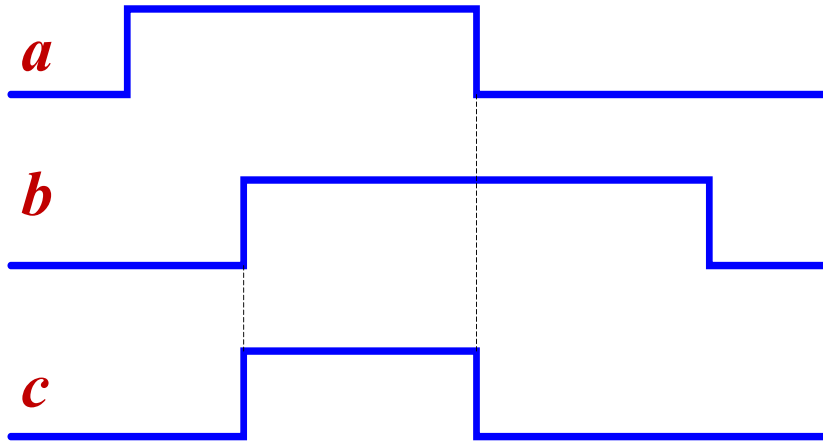
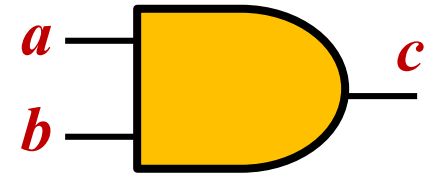
$$f_1(A, B, C) = \sum m(1, 2, 6, 7)$$

$$f_2(A, B, C) = \sum m(1, 3, 5, 6)$$

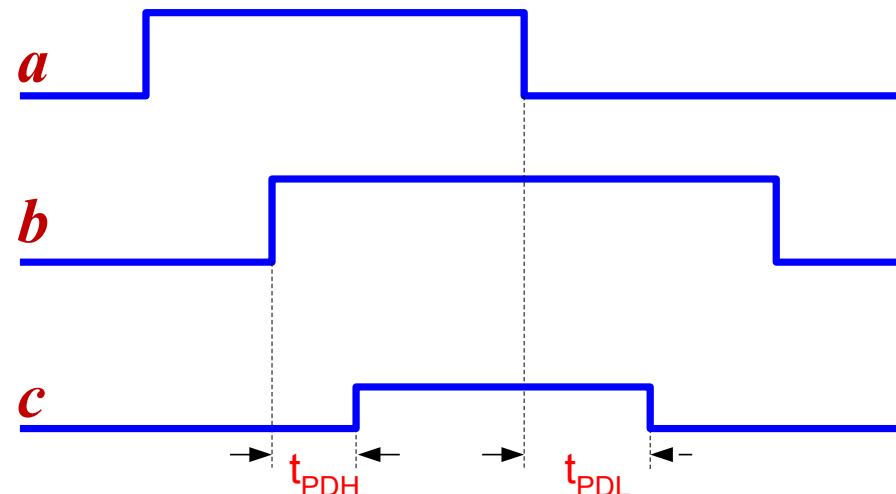
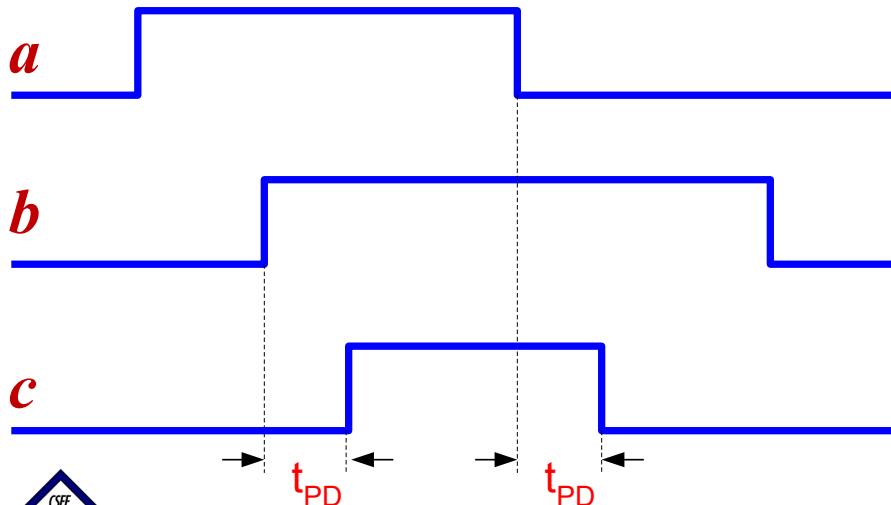


Propagation Delay

- Propagation delay is the time for the output to become ready after the input gets changed



- Propagation delay depends on the microelectronics technology and size
- Rising and falling time may differ
- $t_{PD} = \frac{1}{2} (t_{PDH} + t_{PDL})$

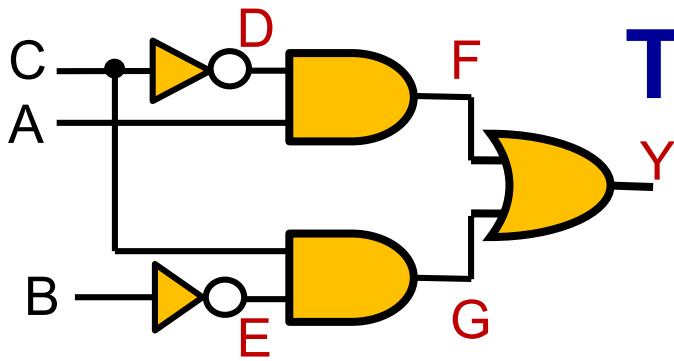


Important Physical Characteristics

- Physical characteristics vary depending on the microelectronics technology used in the design and fabrication
- There is a trade-off between speed and power dissipation

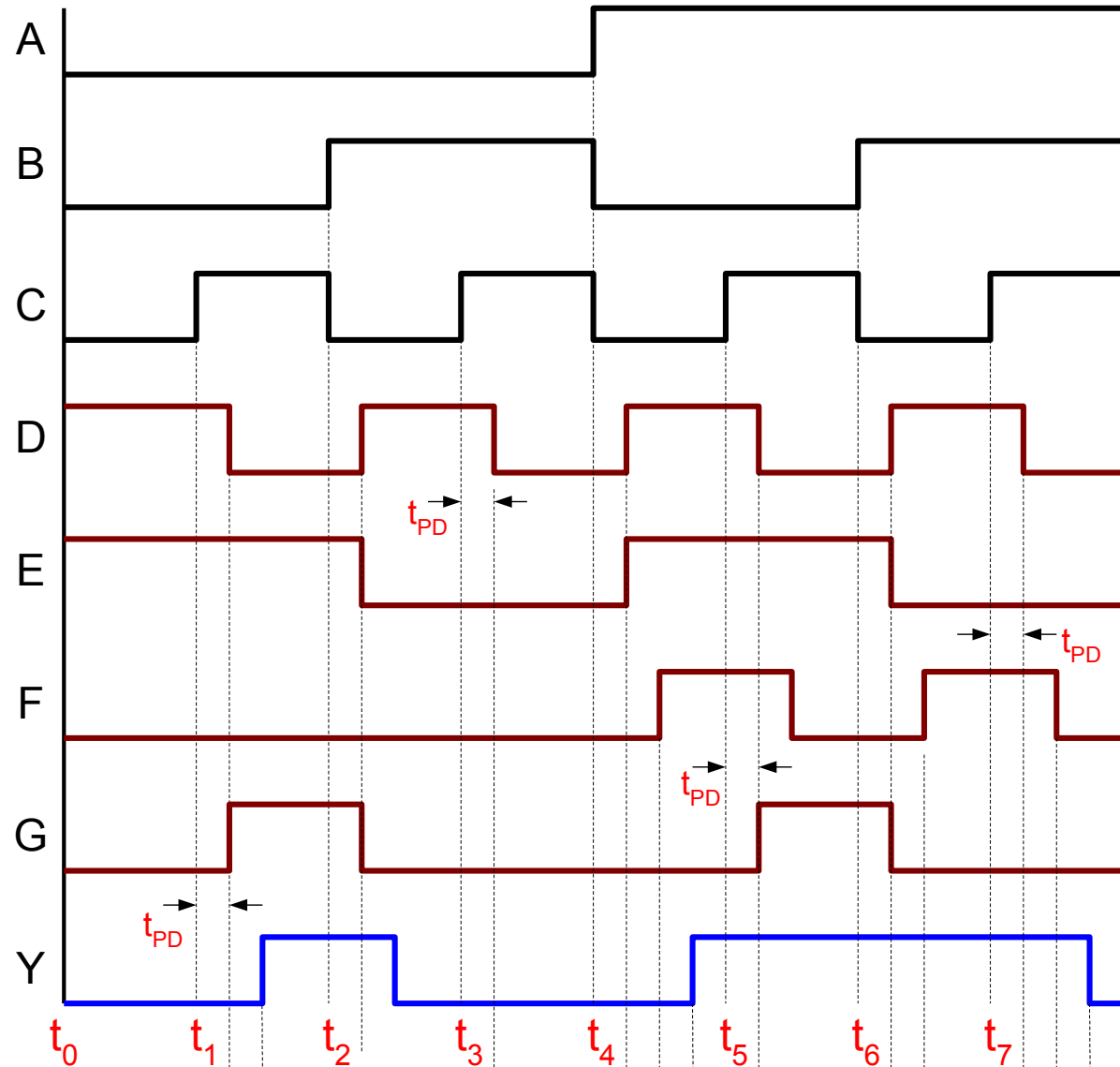
Logic family	Propagation Delay t_{PD} (ns)	Power Dissipation Per Gate (mW)	Technology
7400	10	10	Standard TTL
74H00	6	22	High-speed TTL
74L00	33	1	Low-power TTL
74LS00	9.5	2	Low-power Schottky TTL
74S00	3	19	Schottky TTL
74ALS00	3.5	1.3	Advanced low-power Schottky TTL
74AS00	3	8	Advanced Schottky TTL
74HC00	8	0.17	High-speed CMOS

Timing Diagram with Delay



ABC	Y=f(A,B,C)
000	0
001	1
010	0
011	0
100	1
101	1
110	1
111	0

$$f(A,B,C) = \sum m(1,4,5,6)$$



Conclusion

□ Summary

- Canonical form of switching functions
(conversion from simplified to canonical form)
- Analyzing switching circuits using algebraic methods
(Truth table and Derivation of logic function)
- Analysis of timing diagram
- Effect of physical characteristics
(propagation delay and power dissipation)

□ Next Lecture

- Synthesis of combinational logic circuits

Reading assignment: Section 2.4 in the textbook