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 = Y   not Y   not X   1

X and Y   X xor Y   X nand Y

X or Y   X nor Y   not (X and Y)

not (X or 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   not (X 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		X	Y	X nand Y
0	0	1		0	0	1
1	1	0		1	1	0

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

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

- 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 { + , • }
  - 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 • b   is in B
3. commutativity: a + b = b + a   a • b = b • a
4. associativity: a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c   a • (b • c) = (a • b) • c
5. identity: a + 0 = a   a • 1 = a
6. distributivity: a + (b • c) = (a + b) • (a + c)   a • (b + c) = (a • b) + (a • c)
7. complementarity: a + a' = 1   a • a' = 0

Boolean algebra

- Boolean algebra
  - B = {0, 1}
  - variables
  - + is logical OR, • 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 • Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

X	Y	X'	X' • Y
0	0	1	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0

X	Y	X'	Y'	X • Y	X' • Y'	(X • Y) + (X' • 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

$$(X • Y) + (X' • Y') \equiv X = Y$$

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. $X \cdot (Y + Z) = (X \cdot Y) + (X \cdot Z)$ 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. $X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z = (X + Z) \cdot (X' + Y)$
- concensus:
  - 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. $(X + Y + ...)' = X' \cdot Y' \cdot ...$ 14D. $(X \cdot Y \cdot ...)' = X' + Y' + ...$
- generalized de Morgan's:
  15. $f'(X_1,X_2,...,X_n,0,1,+,\cdot) = f(X_1',X_2',...,X_n',1,0,\cdot,+)$

- 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:

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

- generalized duality:

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

- 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) | $X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y'$ | $=$ | $X \cdot (Y + Y')$ |
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    | 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:
  - $(X \cdot Y) + (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z) = X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z$

	$(X \cdot Y) + (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z)$
identity	$(X \cdot Y) + (1) \cdot (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z)$
complementarity	$(X \cdot Y) + (X' + X) \cdot (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z)$
distributivity	$(X \cdot Y) + (X' \cdot Y \cdot Z) + (X \cdot Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z)$
commutativity	$(X \cdot Y) + (X \cdot Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z)$
factoring	$(X \cdot Y) \cdot (1 + Z) + (X' \cdot Z) \cdot (1 + Y)$
null	$(X \cdot Y) \cdot (1) + (X' \cdot Z) \cdot (1)$
identity	$(X \cdot Y) + (X' \cdot Z) \rightarrow$

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

Cout Cin
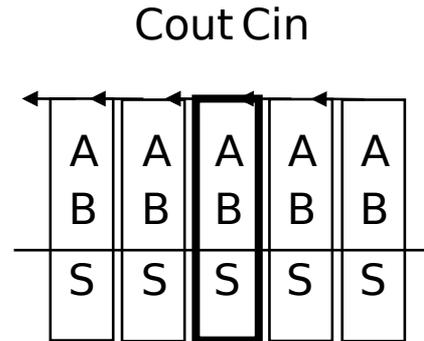
A	B	Cin	Cout	S
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1
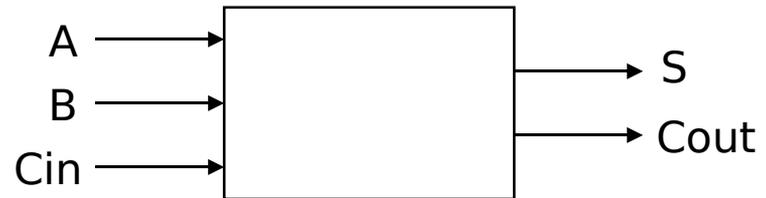
$S = A'\ B'\ Cin + A'\ B\ Cin' + A\ B'\ Cin' + A\ B\ Cin$

$Cout = A'\ B\ Cin + A\ B'\ Cin + A\ B\ Cin' + A\ B\ Cin$

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)

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

adding extra terms creates new factoring opportunities

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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

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

By2 = X8'X4'X2'X1' + X8'X4'X2X1'
+ X8'X4X2'X1' + X8'X4X2X1'
+ X8X4'X2'X1' + X8X4'X2X1'
+ X8X4X2'X1' + X8X4X2X1'
= X1'

By3 = X8'X4'X2'X1' + X8'X4'X2X1
+ X8'X4X2X1' + X8X4'X2'X1
+ X8X4X2'X1' + X8X4X2X1

By5 = X8'X4'X2'X1' + X8'X4X2'X1
+ X8X4'X2X1' + X8X4X2X1

From Boolean expressions to logic gates

- NOT   X' $\overline{X}$ ~X

  X ─▷o─ Y
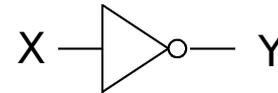
X	Y
0	1
1	0

- AND   X • Y   XY   X ∧ Y

  X, Y ─ Z
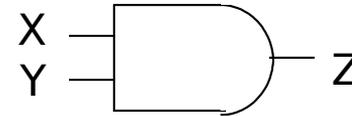
X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

- OR   X + Y   X ∨ Y

  X, Y ─ Z
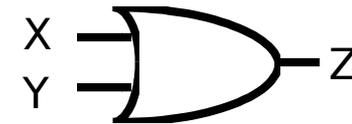
X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

From Boolean expressions to logic gates (cont'd)

- **NAND**
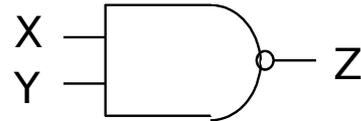
X	Y	Z
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

- **NOR**
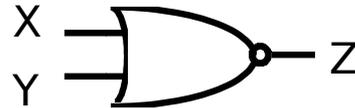
X	Y	Z
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

- **XOR**
  $X \oplus Y$
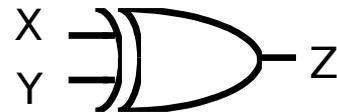
X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

$X \underline{xor} Y = X Y' + X' Y$
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

$X \underline{xnor} Y = X Y + X' Y'$
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., $Z = A' \cdot B' \cdot (C + D) = (A' \cdot (B' \cdot (C + D)))$

$$\frac{\overline{T2}}{T1}$$

use of 3-input gate
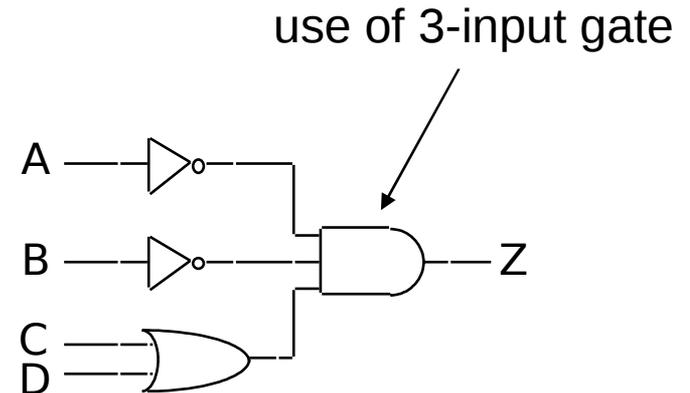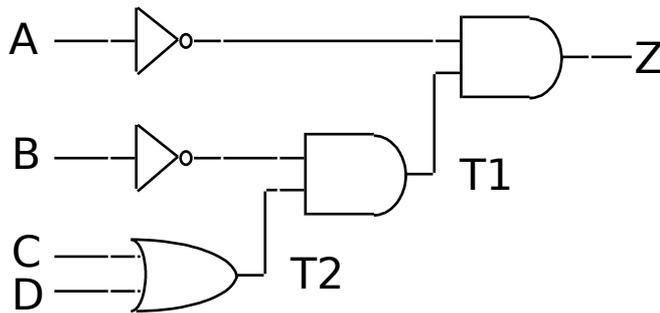
Waveform view of logic functions

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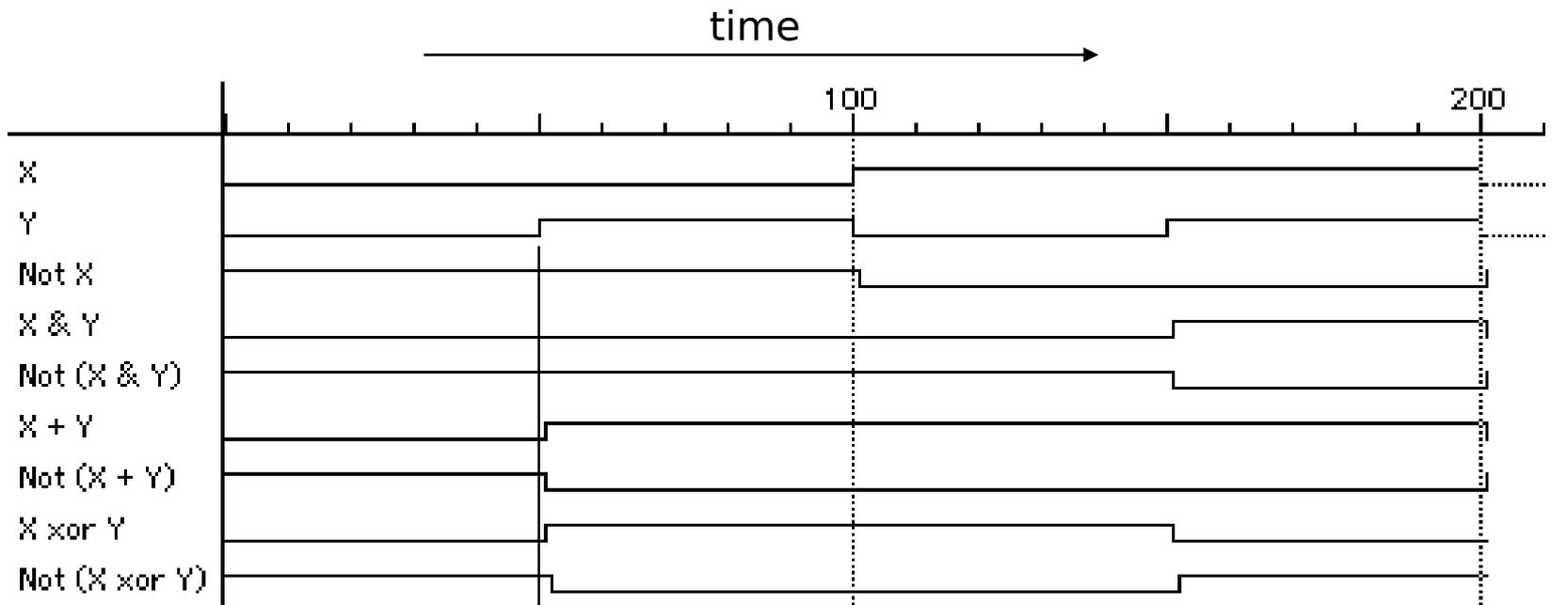
time

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

two-level realization
(we don't count NOT gates)

multi-level realization
(gates with fewer inputs)

XOR gate (easier to draw
but costlier to build)
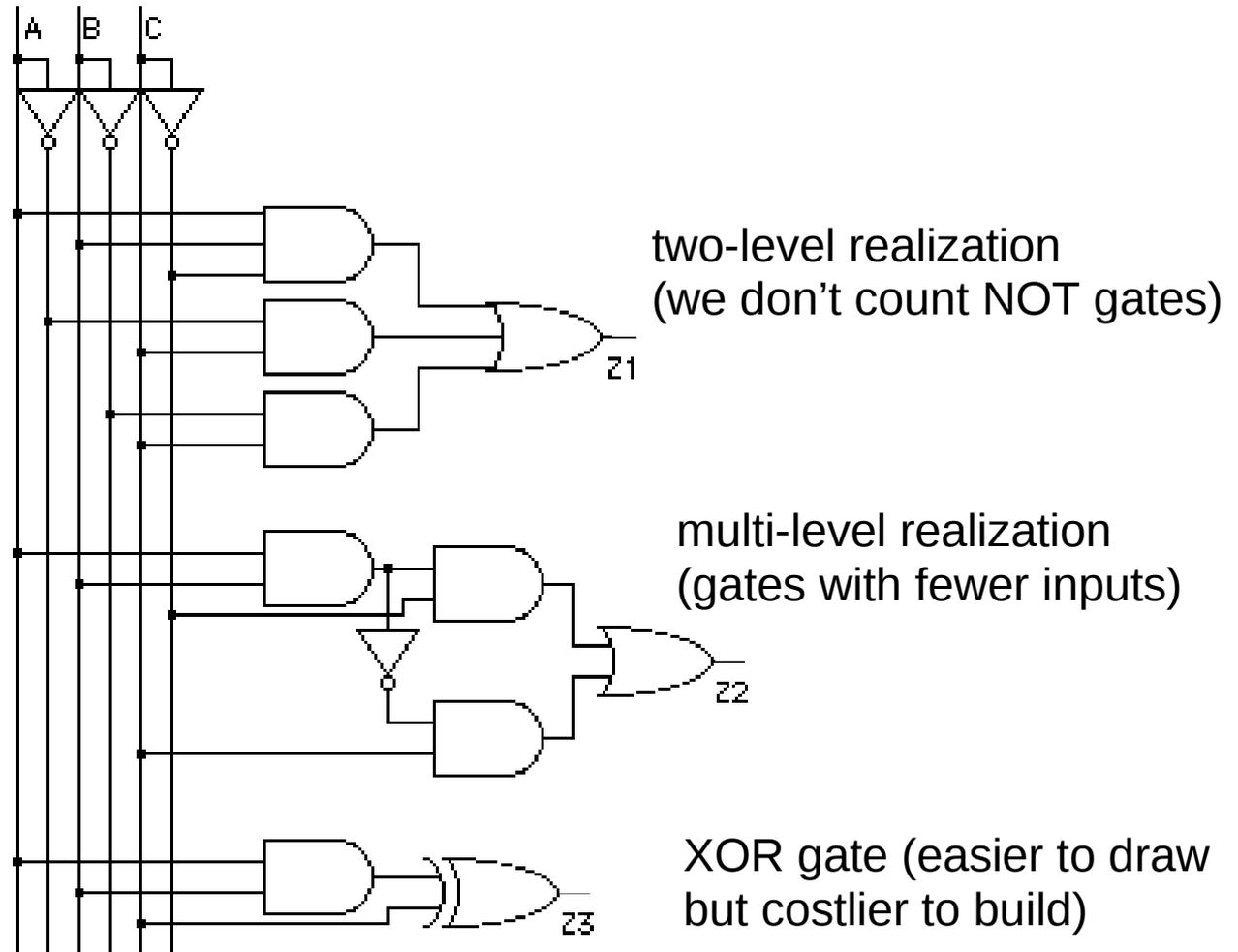
Which realization is best?

- Reduce number of inputs
  - literal: input variable (complemented or not)
    - can approximate cost of logic gate as 2 transitors 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
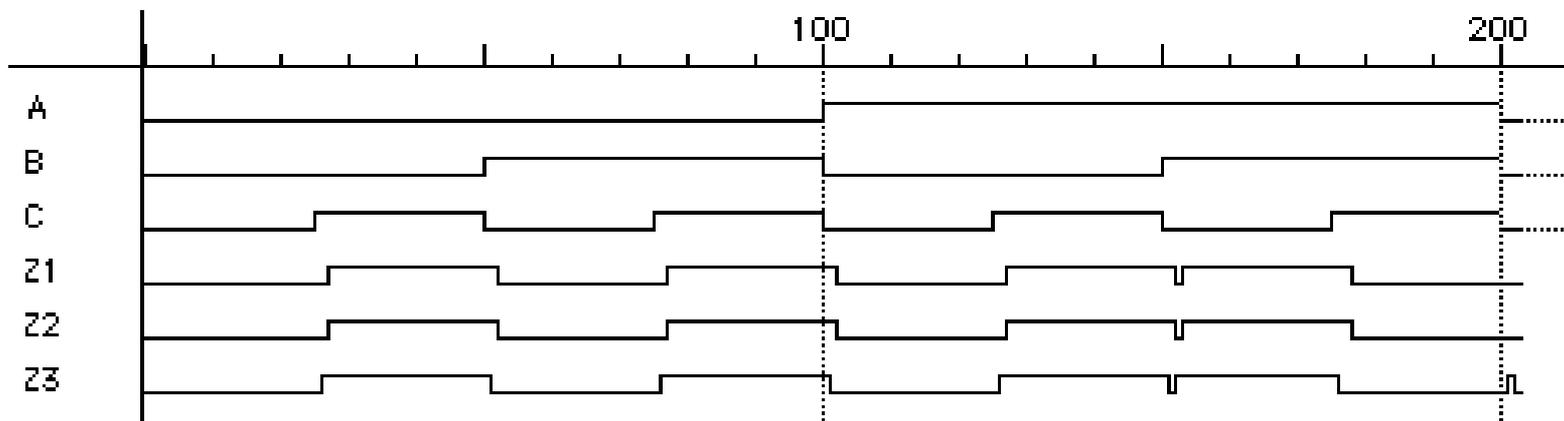
Implementing Boolean functions

- 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

$$F = \quad 001 \quad\quad 011 \quad\quad 101 \quad\quad 110 \quad\quad 111$$

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

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:

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

canonical form ≠ minimal form

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

Product-of-sums canonical form

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

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

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

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

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:

$$F(A, B, C) = \Pi M(0,2,4)$$
$$= M0 \cdot M2 \cdot M4$$
$$= (A + B + C)(A + B' + C)(A' + B + C)$$

canonical form ≠ minimal form

$$F(A, B, C) = (A + B + C)(A + B' + C)(A' + B + C)$$
$$= (A + B + C)(A + B' + C)$$
$$\qquad (A + B + C)(A' + B + C)$$
$$= (A + C)(B + C)$$

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

A

B

C

canonical sum-of-products

F1

minimized sum-of-products

F2

canonical product-of-sums

F3

minimized product-of-sums

F4

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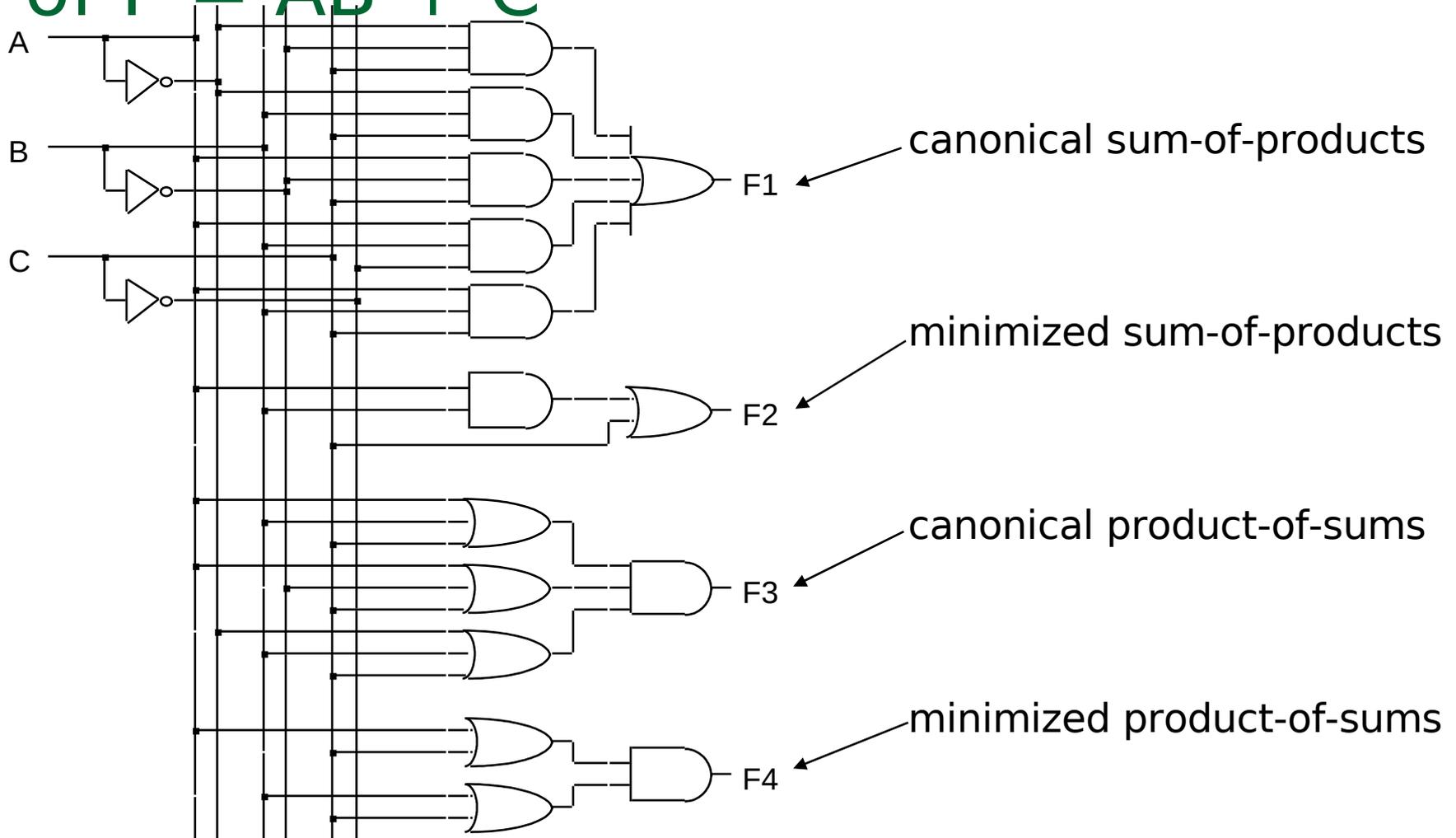
Waveforms for the four alternatives

- 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)
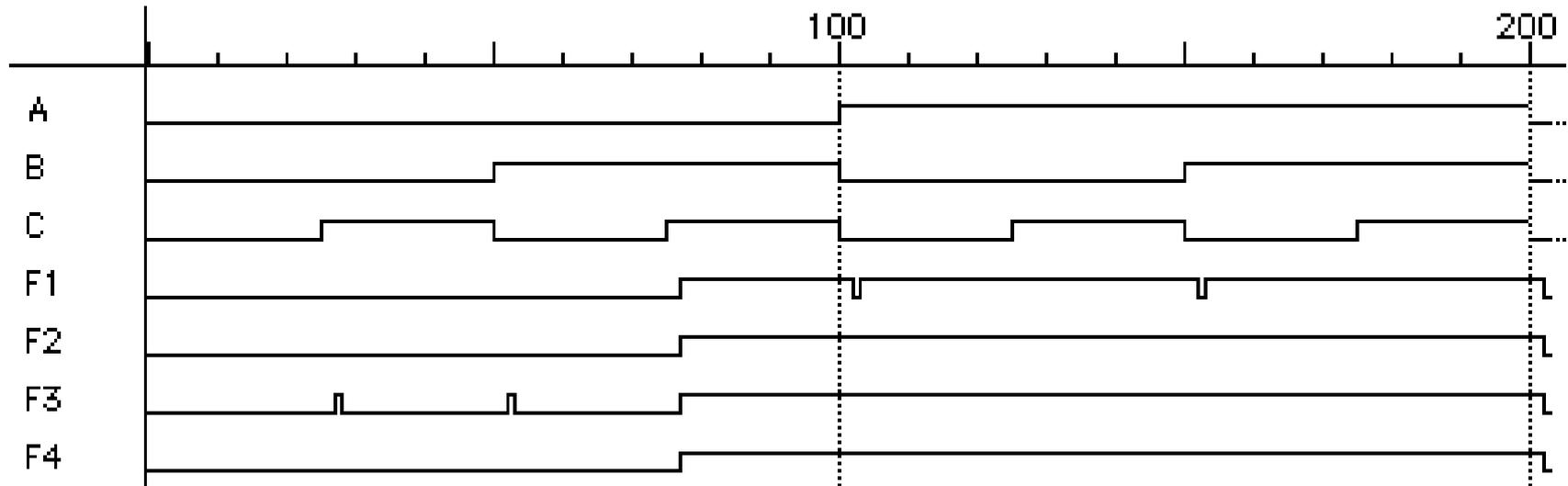
Mapping between canonical forms

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

Incompleteley 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
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
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
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

off-set of W

on-set of W

don't care (DC) set of W

these inputs patterns should never be encountered in practice – **"don't care"** about associated output values, can be exploited in minimization

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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:

  - $Z = m0 + m2 + m4 + m6 + m8 + d10 + d11 + d12 + d13 + d14 + d15$
  - $Z = \Sigma\ [\ m(0,2,4,6,8) + d(10,11,12,13,14,15)\ ]$

  - $Z = M1 \cdot M3 \cdot M5 \cdot M7 \cdot M9 \cdot D10 \cdot D11 \cdot D12 \cdot D13 \cdot D14 \cdot D15$
  - $Z = \Pi\ [\ M(1,3,5,7,9) \cdot D(10,11,12,13,14,15)\ ]$

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"
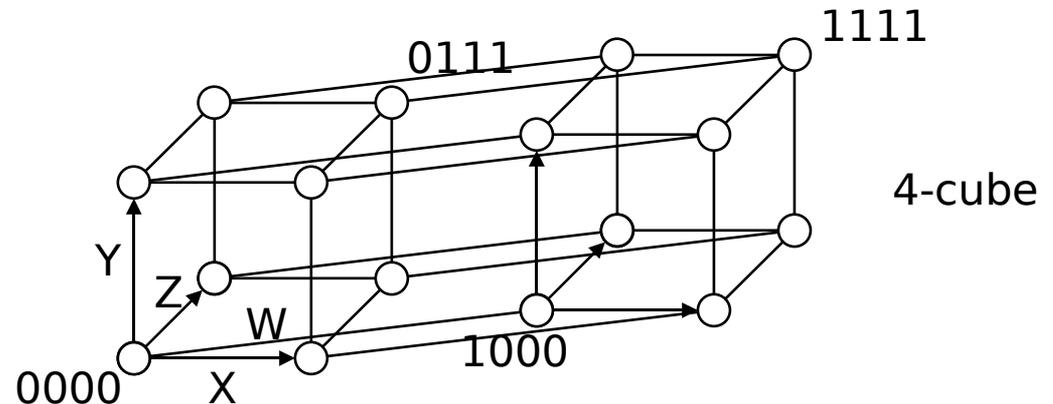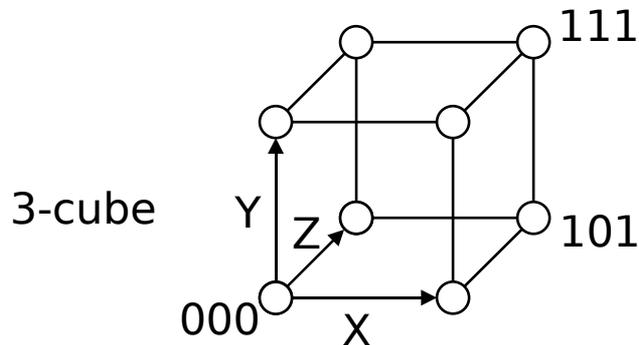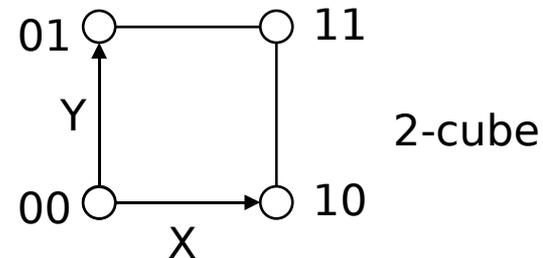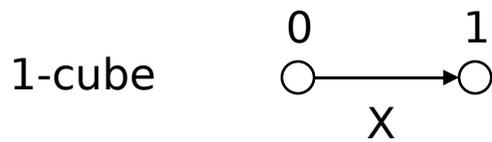
Mapping truth tables onto Boolean cubes

- 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

two faces of size 0 (nodes) combine into a face of size 1(line)

A varies within face, B does not this face represents the literal B'
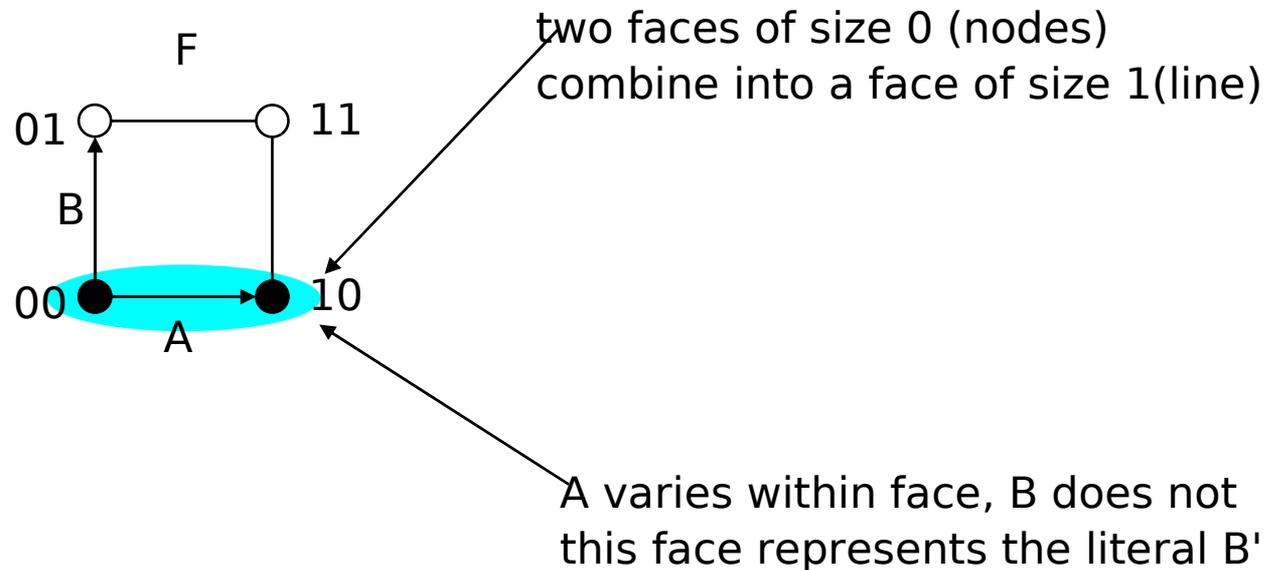
ON-set = solid nodes
OFF-set = empty nodes
DC-set = ×'d nodes

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

(A'+A)BCin

AB(Cin'+Cin)

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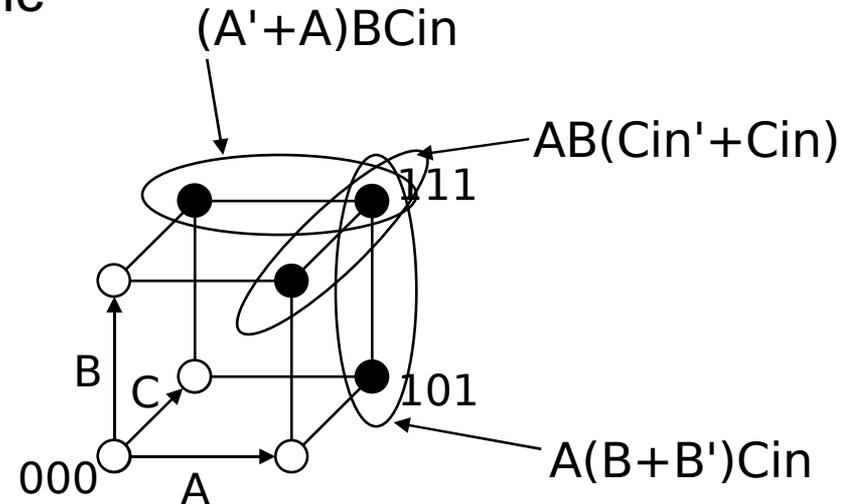
the on-set is completely covered by the combination (OR) of the subcubes of lower dimensionality - note that "111" is covered three times

$$Cout = BCin+AB+ACin$$

Higher dimensional cubes

- Sub-cubes of higher dimension than 2
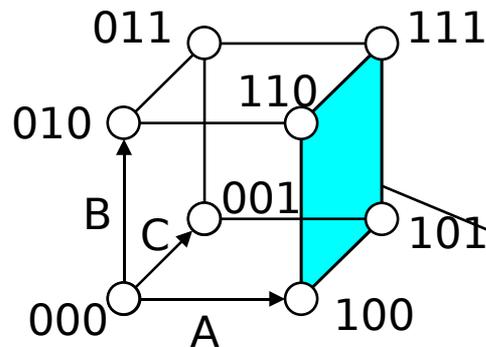
$F(A,B,C) = \Sigma m(4,5,6,7)$

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	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

$$13 = 1101 = ABC'D$$

Adjacencies in Karnaugh maps

- Wrap from first to last column
- Wrap top row to bottom row
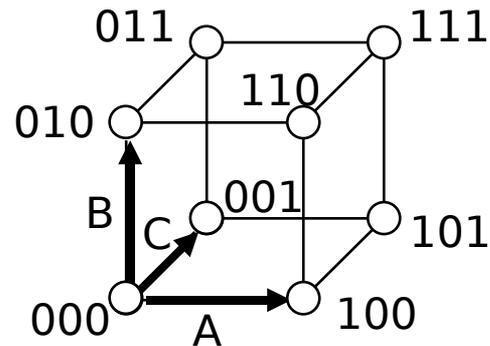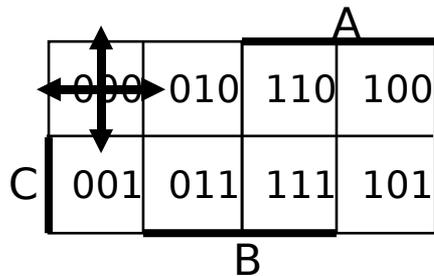
Karnaugh map examples

- F =

- Cout =

- f(A,B,C) = Σm(0,4,5,7)

B'
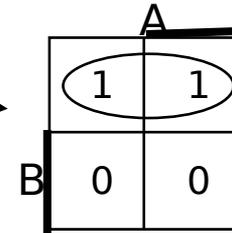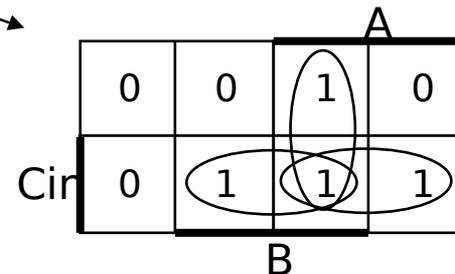
AB+ ACin+ BCin
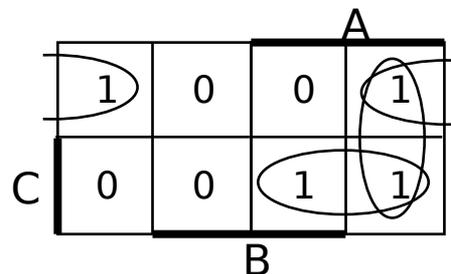
AC+ B'C' + ~~AB'~~

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

More Karnaugh map examples
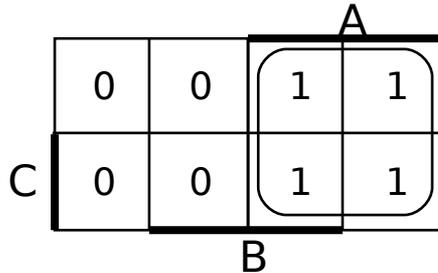
$G(A,B,C) = A$
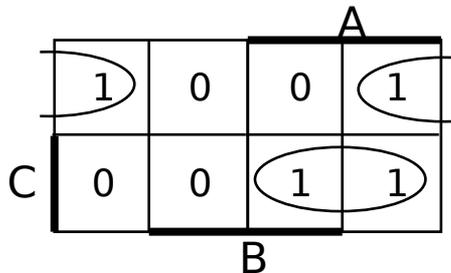
$F(A,B,C) = \Sigma m(0,4,5,7) = AC + B'C'$
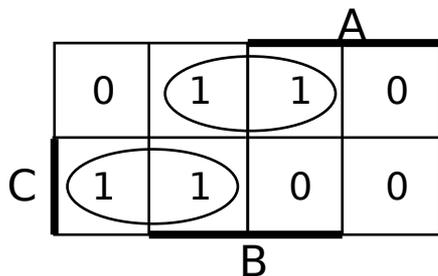
F' simply replace 1's with 0's and vice versa
$F'(A,B,C) = \Sigma m(1,2,3,6) = BC' + A'C$

Karnaugh map: 4-variable example

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

  $F = C + A'BD + B'D'$
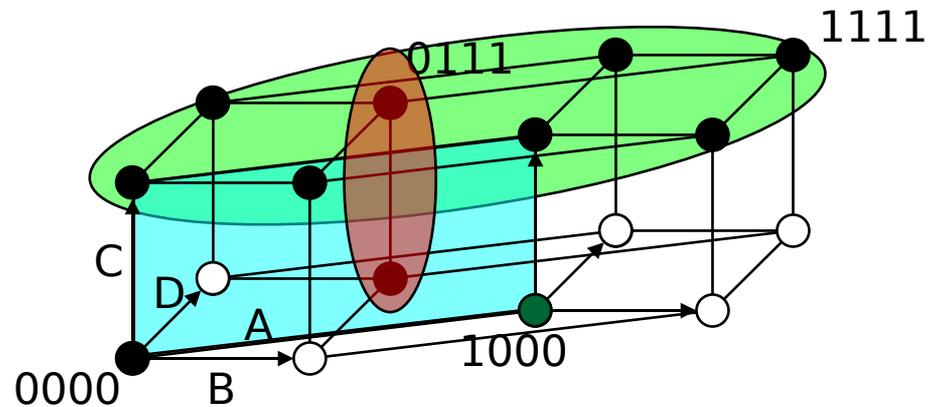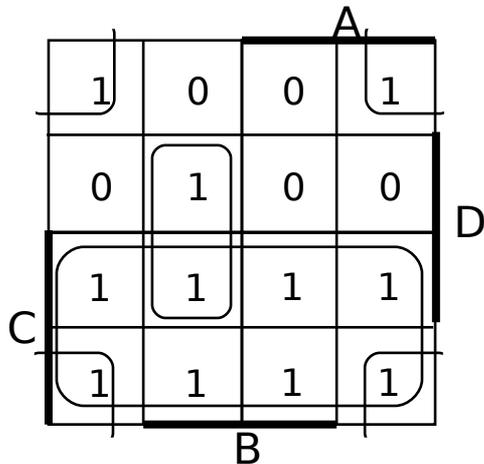
find the smallest number of the largest possible
subcubes to cover the ON-set
(fewer terms with fewer inputs per term)

Karnaugh maps: don't cares

- f(A,B,C,D) = Σ m(1,3,5,7,9) + d(6,12,13)
  - without don't cares
    - f = A'D+ 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
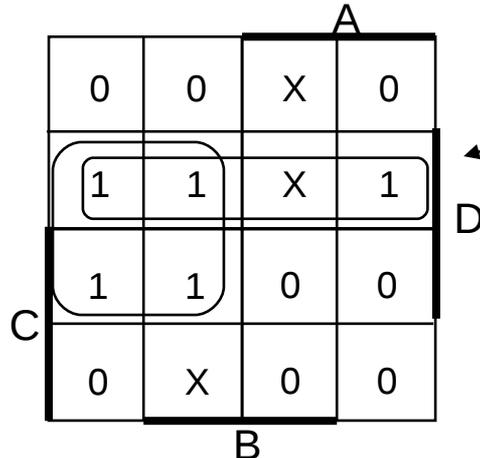
by using don't care as a "1" a 2-cube can be formed rather than a 1-cube to cover this node

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