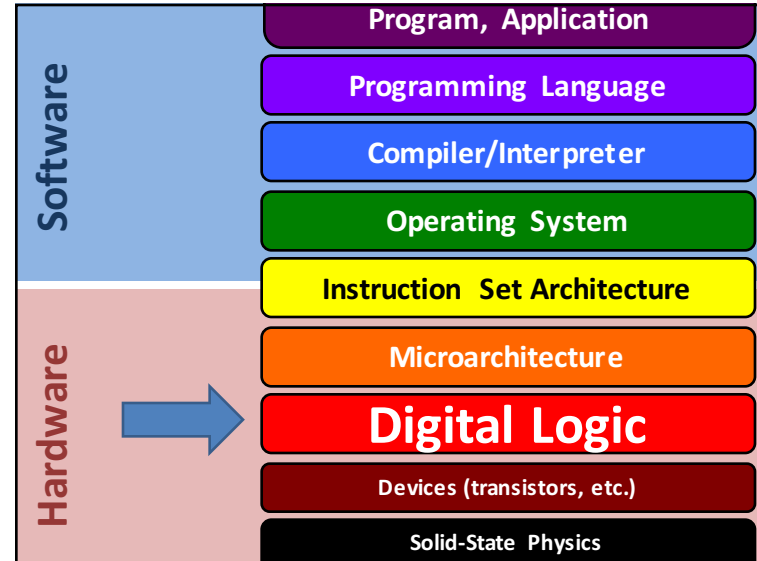


Digital Logic

Gateway to computer science



Digital logic values

Abstraction!

A digital circuit has only two logical values present.

3.3V —
2.8V —
0.5V —
0.0V —

0, false, unasserted
1, true, asserted

*Exact voltage levels and their interpretation varies with technology.

Transistors

Very fast binary switches.

Logic Gates

Tiny electronic devices that compute functions on two-valued signals.

Abstraction!

NOT

NAND

Integrated Circuits (invented 1950s)

Gates are manufactured in units called **integrated circuits**.
From SSI (tens) to VLSI (hundreds of thousands to billions)

Chip

Wafer

Five basic gates

NOT

NAND

NOR

AND

OR

Define with truth tables.

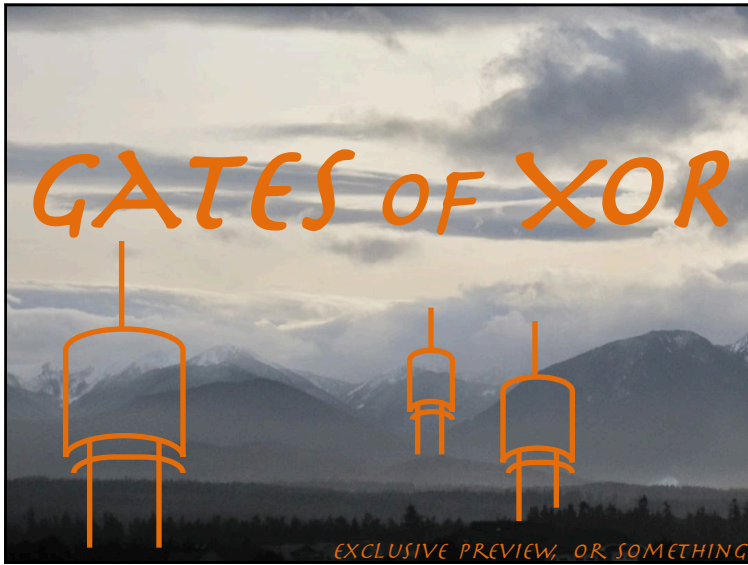
*Gates with more than two inputs are possible:

Design new gates from old

exclusive or often used as a one-bit comparator.

XOR

Future video game designers, Halloween costumers extraordinaire, sci-fi/fantasy screenwriters, I have an idea...



Boolean Algebra

wires = variables
gates = simple functions

A
B

AND = Boolean product

·	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

A
B

OR = Boolean sum

+	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	1

A

NOT = inverse or complement

	0	1
0	1	
1	0	

A

wire = identity

	0	1
0	0	
1	1	

Boolean expressions, circuit equivalence

A
B

=

A
B

Notice the bubble... familiar?

0

=

A

A

=

0

Name that rule

A
B

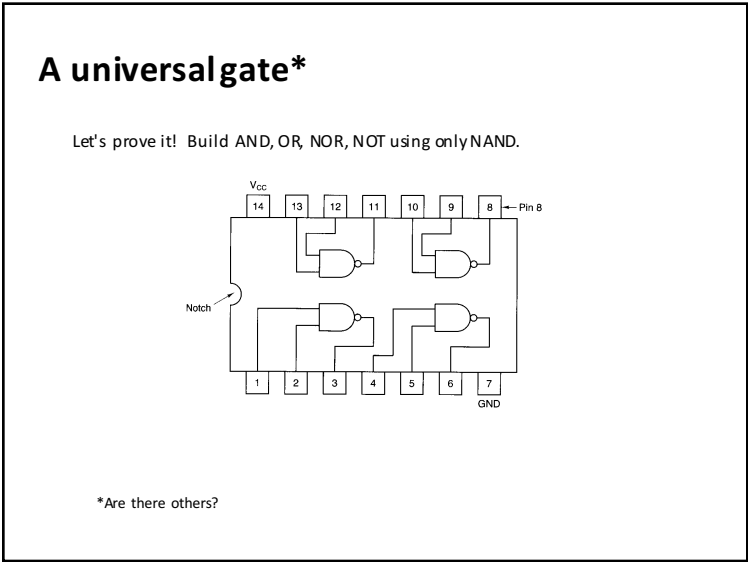
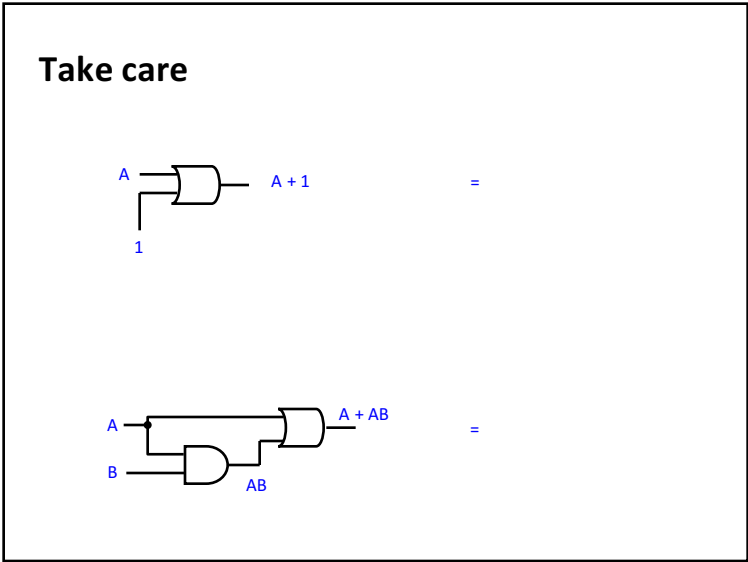
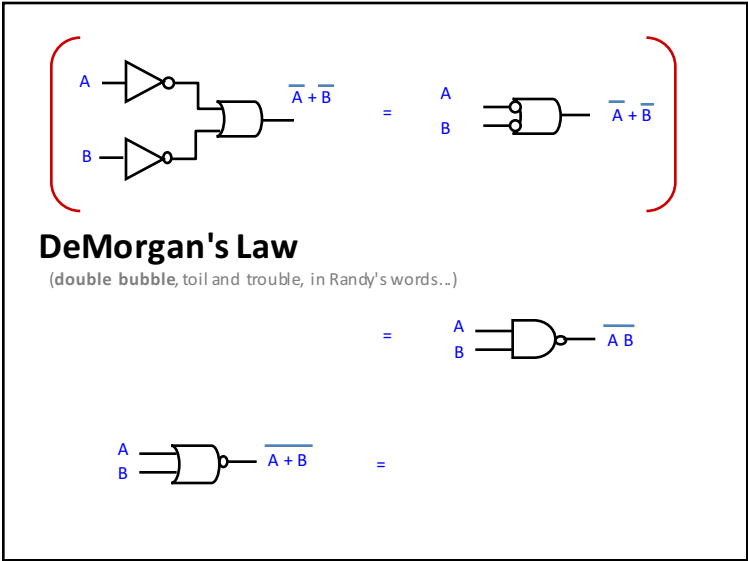
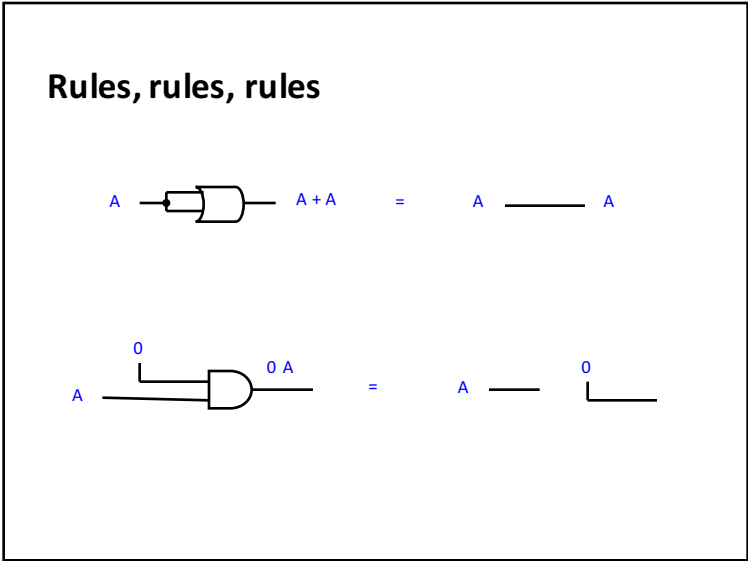
=

B
A

A
B
C

=

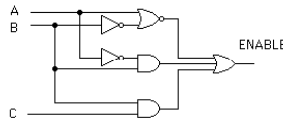
A
B
C



Circuit simplification

*All other things equal, smaller circuits are cheaper, faster, cooler, and easier to design.

Can we find a simpler circuit that performs the same function?*

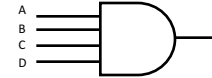


Start with an equivalent Boolean expression
 $F(A, B, C) =$

Check with a truth table... with 3 inputs?

Code detectors

A four input AND gate recognizes exactly one input code.



Design a code detector that recognizes $ABCD = 1001$.

Design a code detector that recognizes either $ABCD = 1001$ or $ABCD = 1111$.

Voting machines

A **majority circuit** outputs 1 whenever a majority of its inputs equal 1. Design a simple majority circuit for three inputs.

A	B	C	Majority
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

Sum of products

A **sum of products** representation is the logical sum (OR) of products (AND) of inputs or their complements (NOT).

Inputs				Outputs	
A	B	C	D	E	F
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	0	1

Try building for E: Think of summing/ORing code detectors.