## CS 240

Foundations of Computer Systems

## Digital Logic

## Gateway to computer science

transistors, gates, circuits, Boolean algebra

## Program, Application

## Programming Language

## Compiler/Interpreter

## Operating System

## Instruction Set Architecture

## Microarchitecture

## Digital Logic

Devices (transistors, etc.)
Solid-State Physics

## Digital data/computation $=$ Boolean

Boolean value (bit): $\mathbf{0}$ or $\mathbf{1}$ Boolean functions (AND, OR, NOT, ...)
Electronically:
bit = high voltage vs. low voltage


Boolean functions = logic gates, built from transistors

## Transistors (more in lab)

If Base voltage is high:
Current may flow freely from Collector to Emitter.

If Base voltage is low:
Current may not flow from Collector to Emitter.


| Truth table |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {out }}$ | in | out | in | out |
| low | high | 0 | 1 | F | T |
| high | low | 1 | 0 | T | F |

## NOT gate



## Digital Logic Gates

Tiny electronic devices that compute basic Boolean functions.


## Integrated Circuits (1950s -

Early (first?) transistor
Chip


Small integrated circuit


Five basic gates: define with truth tables


| AND | 0 | 1 |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 0 |  |  |
| 1 |  |  |



## Boolean Algebra

for combinational logic

A
B


AND = Boolean product

| . | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | 0 |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 0 | 1 |



NOT = inverse or complement

| 0 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 0 |

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\begin{array}{ll}
\text { inputs } & =\text { variables } \\
\text { wires } & =\text { expressions } \\
\text { gates } & =\text { operators/functions } \\
\text { circuits } & =\text { functions }
\end{array}
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A
B

$O R=$ Boolean sum

| + | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 | 1 |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 | 1 |

$A \quad A$
wire = identity

| $\mathbf{0}$ | 0 |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 1 |

## Circuits

Connect inputs and outputs of gates with wires. Crossed wires touch only if there is a dot.


What is the output if $A=1, B=0, C=1$ ?
What is the truth table of this circuit?
What is an equivalent Boolean expression?

## Translation

Connect gates to implement these functions. Check with truth tables. Use a direct translation -- it is straightforward and bidirectional. $F=(A \bar{B}+C) D$
$Z=\bar{W}+(X+\overline{W Y})$

Note on notation: bubble = inverse/complement


## Identity law, inverse law



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=A=A
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## Commutativity, Associativity



## Idempotent law, Null/Zero law



Note on notation: bubble = inverse/complement


## DeMorgan's Law

(double bubble, toil and trouble, in Randy's words...)


| $\overline{A+B}$ | $\mathbf{0} 1$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{0}$ | 1 | 0 |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | 0 | 0 |



# One law, Absorption law 

Write truth tables. Do they correspond to simpler circuits?

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## NAND is universal.

All Boolean functions can be implemented using only NANDs. Build NOT, AND, OR, NOR, using only NAND gates.

## XOR: Exclusive OR



Truth table:

## Output = 1 if exactly one input $=1$.

Build from earlier gates:

Often used as a one-bit comparator.

## Larger gates

Build a 4-input AND gate using any number of 2-input gates.


## Circuit simplification

Is there a simpler circuit that performs the same function?


Start with an equivalent Boolean expression, then simplify with algebra.

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F(A, B, C)=
$$

Check the answer with a truth table.

## Circuit derivation: code detectors

AND gate + NOT gates = code detector, recognizes exactly one input code.


Design a 4-input code detector to output 1 if $A B C D=1001$, and 0 otherwise.


Design a 4-input code detector to accept two codes (ABCD=1001, ABCD=1111) and reject all others. (accept $=1$, reject $=0$ )

## Circuit derivation: sum-of-products form

## logical sum (OR)

of products (AND)
of inputs or their complements (NOT)

Draw the truth table and design a sum-of-products circuit for a 4-input code detector to accept two codes ( $\mathrm{ABCD}=1001, A B C D=1111$ ) and reject all others.
How are the truth table and the sum-of-products circuit related?

## Voting machines

A majority circuit outputs 1 if and only if a majority of its inputs equal 1. Design a majority circuit for three inputs. Use a sum of products.

| $A$ | 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 |

Triply redundant computers in spacecraft

- Space program also hastened Integrated Circuits.



## Computers

- Manual calculations
- powered all early US space missions.
- Facilitated transition to digital computers.


## Mary Jackson



## Katherine Johnson

- Supported Mercury, Apollo, Space Shuttle, ...


## Dorothy Vaughn

- First black supervisor within NACA
- Early self-taught FORTRAN programmer for NASA move to digital computers.



## Early pioneers in reliable computing



## Katherine Johnson

- Calculated first US human space flight trajectories
- Mercury, Apollo 11, Space Shuttle, ...
- Reputation for accuracy in manual calculations, verified early code
- Called to verify results of code for launch calculations for first US human in orbit
- Backup calculations helped save Apollo 13
- Presidential Medal of Freedom 2015


## Margaret Hamilton

- Led software team for Apollo 11 Guidance Computer, averted mission abort on first moon landing.
- Coined "software engineering", developed techniques for correctness and reliability.
- Presidential Medal of Freedom 2016


