



Digital Circuits

CS 217

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Course Outline

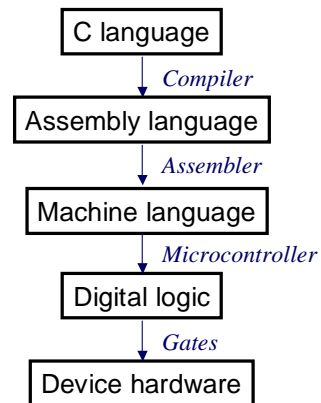
- First four weeks
 - C programming
- Second four weeks
 - Machine architecture
- Third four weeks
 - Unix operating system

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Levels of Abstraction



- We have been looking at programming at high level
 - Abstractions provided by C
- Let's now look under the hood
 - How does C program actually execute?
 - Start from bottom (device hardware) and work our way up

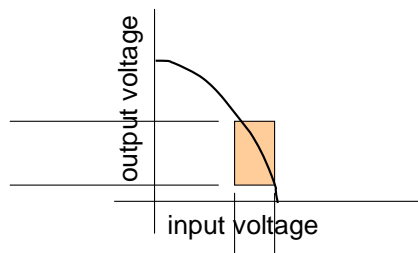


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Analog circuits



- Components: resistors, inductors, capacitors, transistors ...
- Voltage, current are continuous functions of time
 - and of d/dt of current, voltage...
- Build: amplifiers, radios ...
- Typical device characteristic:

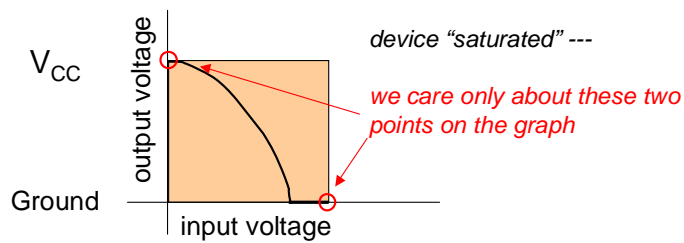


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Digital circuits



- Components: transistors, transistors, transistors ...
 - (and the occasional capacitor)
- Pick two voltages of interest: “ V_{CC} ” and “Ground”
- Build: clocks, adders, computers, computers, computers...
 - “computers” includes: cell phone, Nintendo, cash register, ...
- Typical device characteristic:

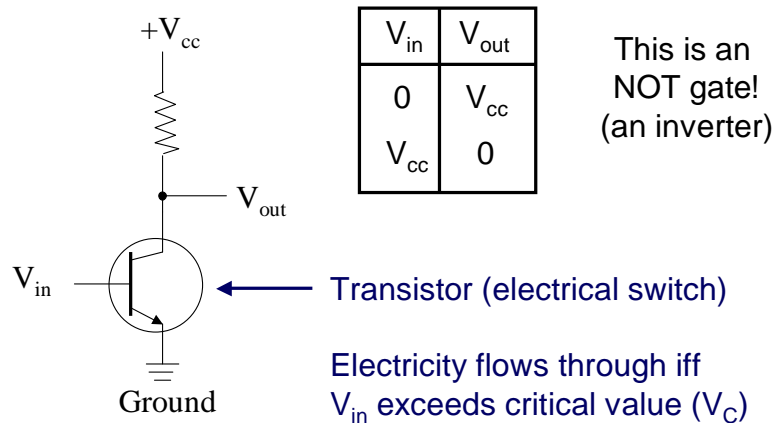


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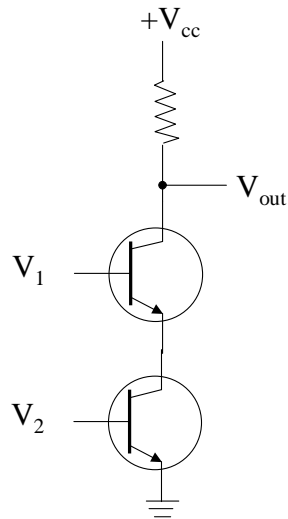


- Wires, voltage, resistors, ground, etc.



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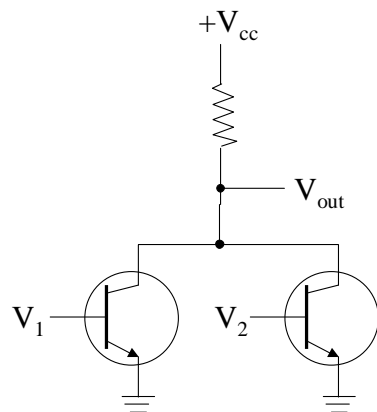


V_1	V_2	V_{out}
0	0	V_{cc}
0	V_{cc}	V_{cc}
V_{cc}	0	V_{cc}
V_{cc}	V_{cc}	0

This is a NAND gate!

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0	0	V_{cc}
0	V_{cc}	0
V_{cc}	0	0
V_{cc}	V_{cc}	0

This is a NOR gate!

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Gates



x y		NAND gate	x y $x \& y$	also written: \overline{xy}
			0 0 1	
			0 1 1	
			1 0 1	
			1 1 0	

x y		NOR gate	x y $x y$	also written: $\overline{x+y}$
			0 0 1	
			0 1 0	
			1 0 0	
			1 1 0	

x		NOT gate	x $\sim x$	also written: \overline{x} , $\neg x$
			0 1	
			1 0	

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Gates



x y		AND gate	x y $x \& y$	also written: xy
			0 0 0	
			0 1 0	
			1 0 0	
			1 1 1	

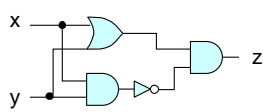
x y		OR gate	x y $x y$	also written: $x+y$
			0 0 0	
			0 1 1	
			1 0 1	
			1 1 1	

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Circuits



- Build higher-level boolean logic out of gates

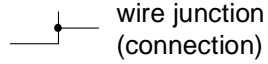
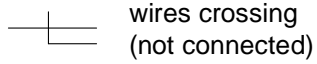


x	y	z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0



XOR gate

$$x \text{ XOR } y = (x+y) \& \neg(x\&y)$$



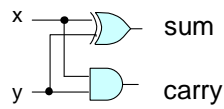
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Adder (for 1-bit binary numbers)



x	y	add(x,y)
0	0	00
0	1	01
1	0	01
1	1	10

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 carry sum



$$\text{sum} = x \text{ XOR } y$$

$$\text{carry} = x\&y$$

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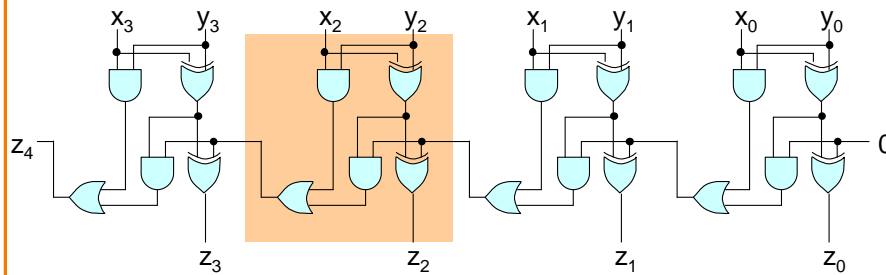
N-bit binary adder



$$\begin{array}{r} x_3 \ x_2 \ x_1 \ x_0 \\ + y_3 \ y_2 \ y_1 \ y_0 \\ \hline z_4 \ z_3 \ z_2 \ z_1 \ z_0 \end{array}$$

$$\text{sum}_i = x_i \text{ XOR } y_i \text{ XOR } \text{carry}_{i-1}$$

$$\text{carry}_i = (x_i \ \& \ y_i) + ((x_i \ \text{XOR} \ y_i) \ \& \ \text{carry}_{i-1})$$



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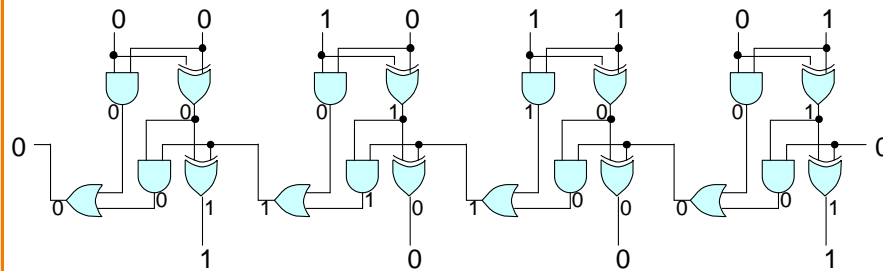
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$$\begin{array}{r} 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \\ + 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \\ \hline 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \\ + 3 \\ \hline 9 \end{array}$$

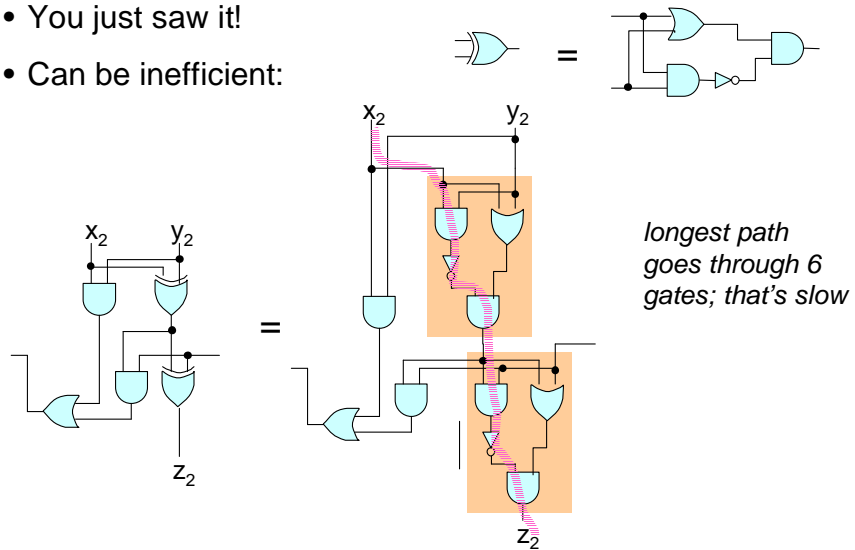


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“Seat of the pants” design



- You just saw it!
- Can be inefficient:



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Systematic design



1. State purpose of circuit in words
2. Make truth tables
3. Identify “true” rows
4. Construct sum-of-products expression
5. Construct circuit

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Systematic design of adder



1. State purpose of circuit in words
 - Inputs: carry-in, x, y
 - Outputs: z (if odd number of inputs are 1), carry-out (if at least two inputs are 1)
2. Make truth tables

Inputs			Outputs	
cin	x	y	z	cout
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

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Systematic design of adder



3. Identify "true" rows

cin	x	y	z
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

cin	x	y	cout
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0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
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4. Construct sum-of-products expression (for each output)

$$z = \overline{cin} \overline{x} y + \overline{cin} x \overline{y} + cin \overline{x} \overline{y} + cin x y$$

$$cout = \overline{cin} x y + cin \overline{x} y + cin x \overline{y} + cin x y$$

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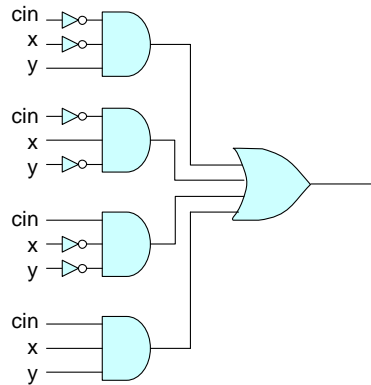
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5. Construct circuit

cin	x	y	z
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

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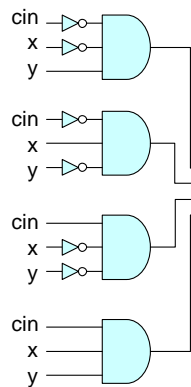
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Sum-of-products circuit



cin	x	y	z
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0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

$$z = \overline{cin} \overline{x} y + \overline{cin} x \overline{y} + cin \overline{x} \overline{y} + cin x y$$



One AND-gate for each 1-output in table

Each AND-gate has as many inputs as truth table

One OR-gate

Constant-depth: 2 (or 3, counting NOTs)

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Finishing the adder

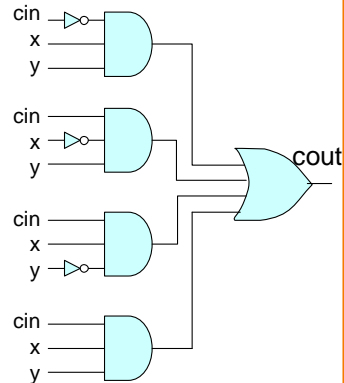
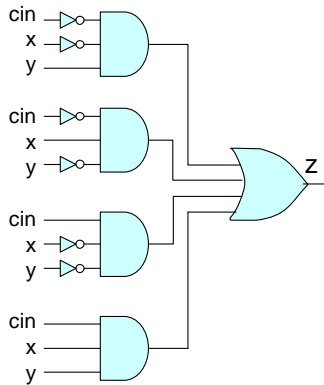


cin	x	y	z
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1	1	0	0
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1	0	0	0
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1	1	1	1



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Duplicate terms, duplicate gates

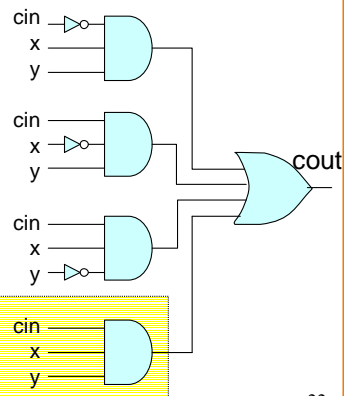
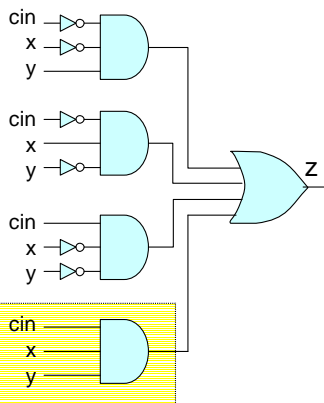


cin	x	y	z
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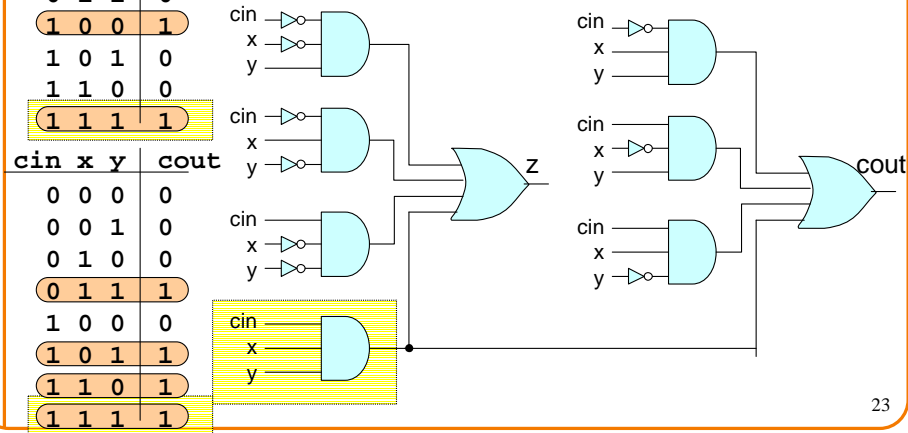


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$$z = \bar{c}i\bar{n} \bar{x} y + \bar{c}i\bar{n} x \bar{y} + c i n \bar{x} \bar{y} + c i n x y$$

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$$c o u t = \bar{c}i\bar{n} x y + c i n \bar{x} y + c i n x \bar{y} + c i n x y$$



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Metrics



- With N inputs, M outputs in truth table (and in circuit)
 - 2^N rows in table
 - Each AND gate has N inputs
 - At most 2^N AND gates total
 - MOR gates
 - Each OR gate has at most 2^N inputs

N Inputs			M Outputs	
cin	x	y	z	cout
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
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} 2^N rows

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Advanced stuff



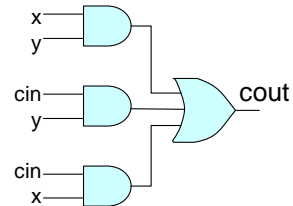
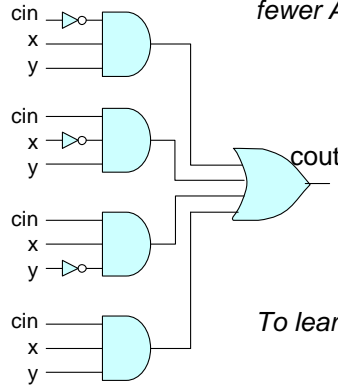
$$\text{cout} = \bar{\text{cin}} x y + \text{cin} \bar{x} y + \text{cin} x \bar{y} + \text{cin} x y$$

cin x y cout

0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
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$$\text{cout} = x y + \text{cin} y + \text{cin} x$$

Sometimes you can get by with fewer AND gates



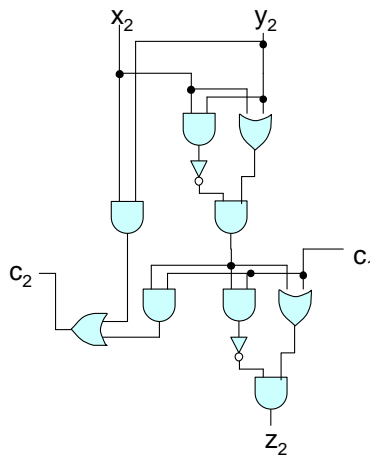
To learn how, take ELE 206!

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Circuit analysis



- What does this circuit do?
(pretend you haven't seen it already)



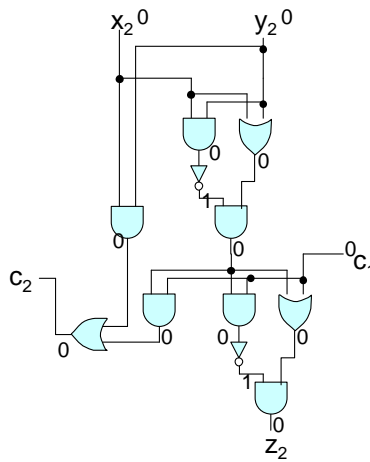
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Circuit analysis



1. Draw the truth table by "simulating" gates

c_1	x	y	z	c_2
0	0	0	0	0



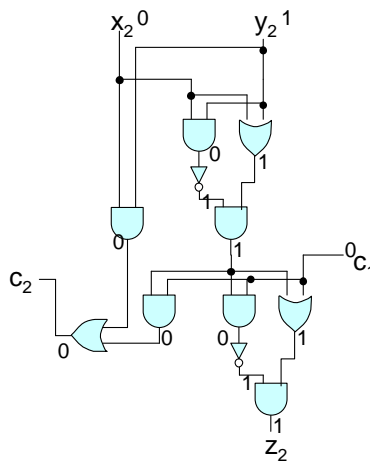
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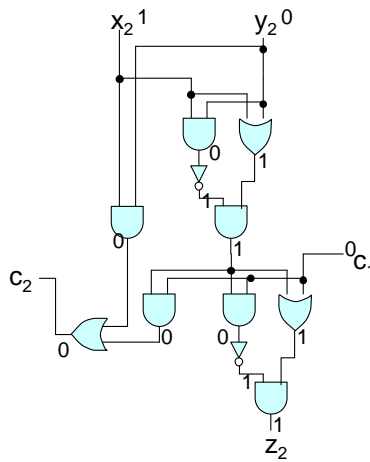
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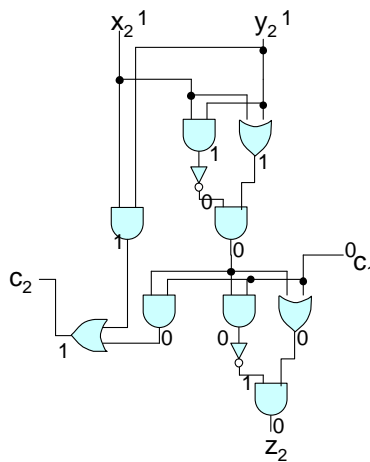
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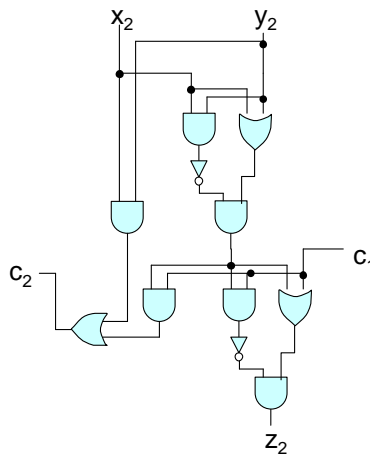
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1	0	0	1	0
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Circuit analysis



2. Say in words what the truth table does

c1	x	y	z	c2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

z is 1 if an odd number of inputs are 1

c2 is 1 if at least two inputs are 1

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Circuit analysis



3. Apply a flash of insight

<u>c1</u>	<u>x</u>	<u>y</u>	<u>z</u>	<u>c2</u>
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
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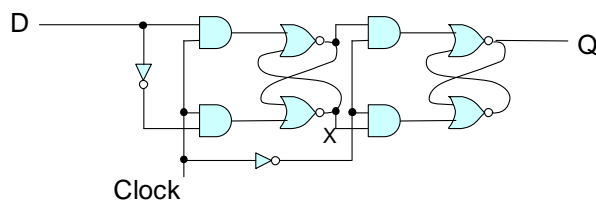
Aha! It's one bit-slice of an adder!

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Summary



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 - Boolean logic
 - Combinatorial circuits
- Next lectures
 - Sequential circuits
 - Building a computer



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