Gates and Logic: From switches to Transistors, Logic Gates and Logic Circuits

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See: P&H Appendix B.2 and B.3 (Also, see B.1)

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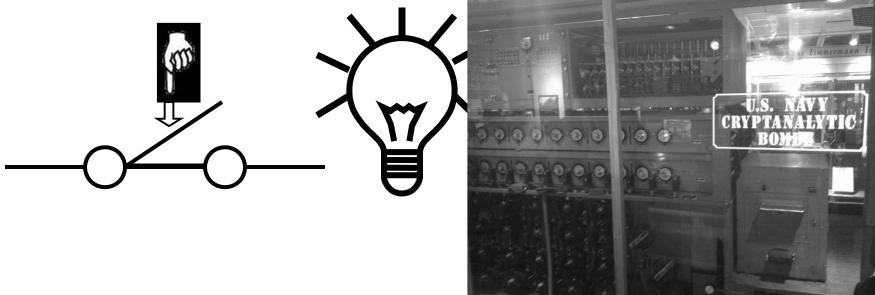
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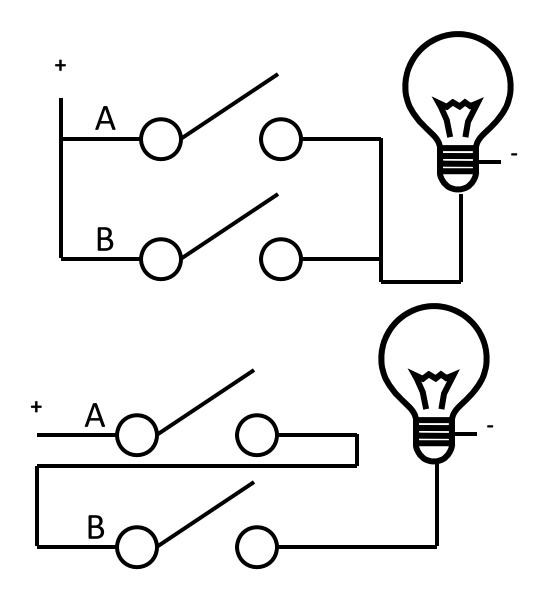
A switch



- Acts as a conductor or insulator
- Can be used to build amazing things...



The Bombe used to break the German Enigma machine during World War II



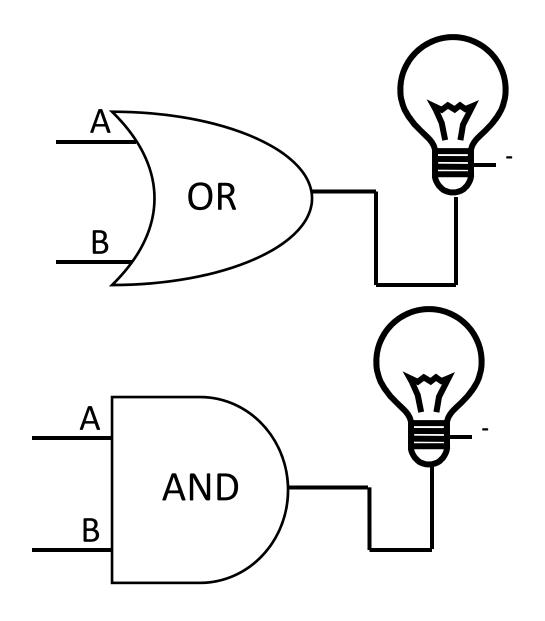
Either (OR)

Truth Table

Α	В	Light
OFF	OFF	
OFF	ON	
ON	OFF	
ON	ON	

Both (AND)

Α	В	Light
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OFF	ON	
ON	OFF	
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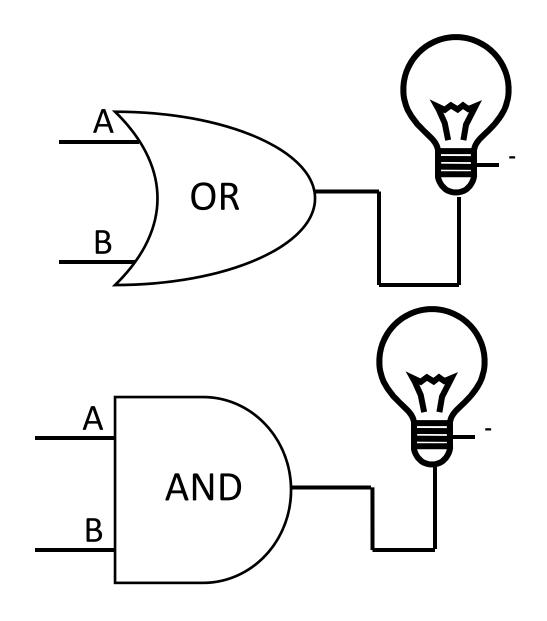
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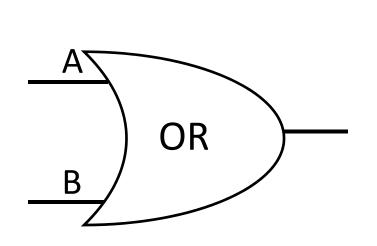
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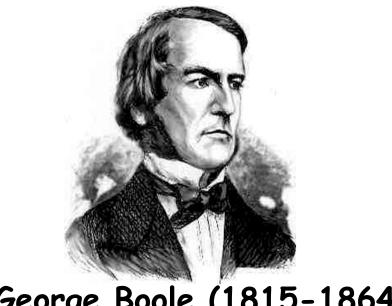
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0	0	
0	1	
1	0	
1	1	

0 = OFF1 = ON

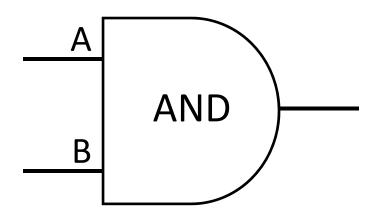
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George Boole, (1815-1864)



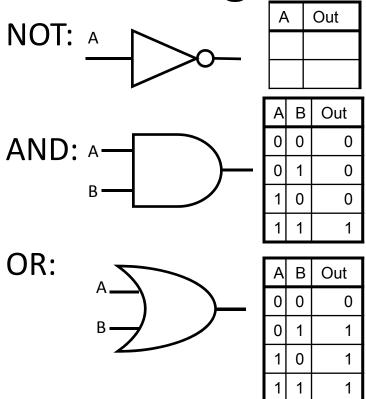
Did you know?

George Boole Inventor of the idea of logic gates. He was born in Lincoln, England and he was the son of a shoemaker in a low class family.

Takeaway

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Building Functions: Logic Gates



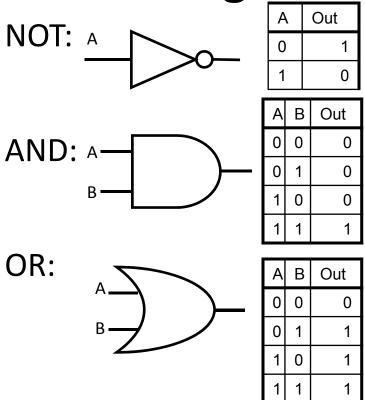
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- digital circuit that either allows a signal to pass through it or not.
- Used to build logic functions
- There are seven basic logic gates:

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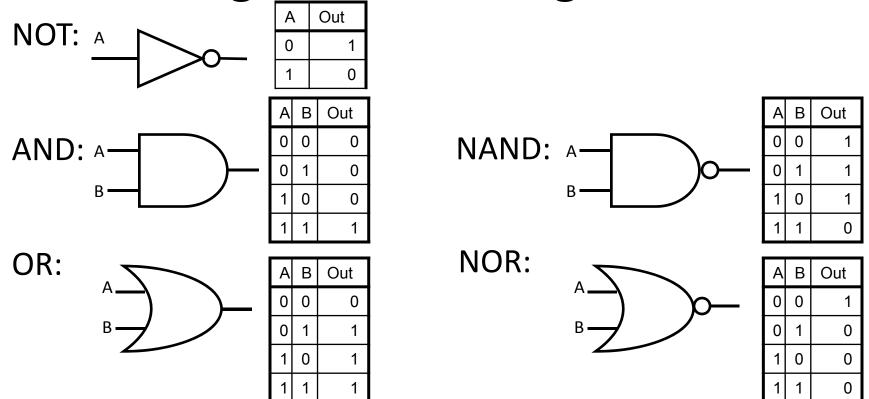
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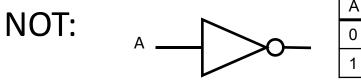
Next Goal

Given a Logic function, create a Logic Circuit that implements the Logic Function...

...and, with the minimum number of logic gates

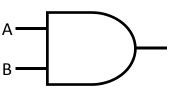
Fewer gates: A cheaper (\$\$\$) circuit!

Logic Gates



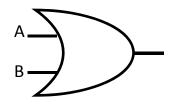
Α	Out
0	1
1	0

AND:



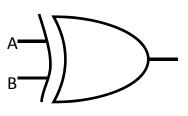
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)	1	0
	0	0
	1	1
	A D	0 0

OR:



Α	В	Out
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

XOR:



Α	В	Out
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Logic Gates

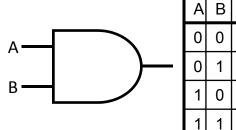
NOT:

Α	Out
0	1
1	0

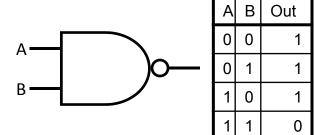
Out

0

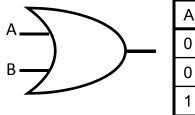
AND:



NAND: A-

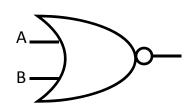


OR:



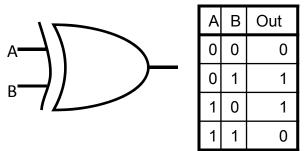
Α	В	Out
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
4	1	1

NOR:

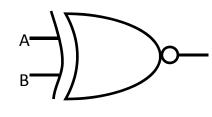


Α	В	Out
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

XOR:



XNOR:



Α	В	Out
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Logic Equations

NOT:

• out = \bar{a} = -a

AND:

• out = $a \cdot b$ = $a \otimes b$ = $a \wedge b$

OR:

• out = $a + b = a | b = a \lor b$

XOR:

• out = $a \oplus b = a\overline{b} + \overline{a}b$

Logic Equations

- Constants: true = 1, false = 0
- Variables: a, b, out, ...
- Operators (above): AND, OR, NOT, etc.

Logic Equations

NOT:
• out =
$$\bar{a}$$
 = !a = $\neg a$

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Identities

Identities useful for manipulating logic equations

For optimization & ease of implementation

$$a + 0 =$$

$$a + 1 =$$

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

$$a \cdot 0 =$$

$$a \cdot 1 =$$

$$a \cdot \bar{a} =$$

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$$\overline{(a \cdot b)} =$$

$$a + ab =$$

$$a(b+c) =$$

$$\overline{a(b+c)} =$$

Logic Manipulation • functions: gates ↔ truth tables ↔ equations

• Example: (a+b)(a+c) = a + bc

а	b	С			
0	0	0			
0	0	1			
0	1	0			
0	1	1			
1	0	0			
1	0	1			
1	1	0			
1	1	1			

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How to standardize minimizing logic circuits?

Logic Minimization

How to implement a desired logic function?

a	b	С	out
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	0
1	1	1	0

Logic Minimization

How to implement a desired logic function?

а	b	С	out	minterm
0	0	0	0	a b c
0	0	1	1	a b c
0	1	0	0	a b c
0	1	1	1	a b c
1	0	0	0	a <u>b c</u>
1	0	1	1	a b c
1	1	0	0	a b \overline{c}
1	1	1	0	a b c

- 1) Write minterms
- 2) sum of products:
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Karnaugh Maps

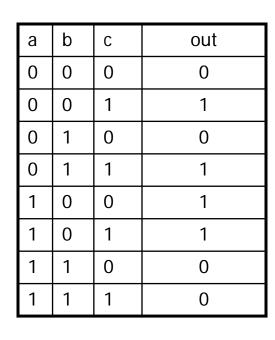
How does one find the most efficient equation?

- Manipulate algebraically until…?
- Use Karnaugh maps (optimize visually)
- Use a software optimizer

For large circuits

Decomposition & reuse of building blocks

Minimization with Karnaugh maps (1)



Sum of minterms yields

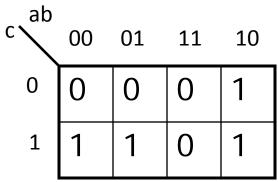
out =				
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Minimization with Karnaugh maps (2)

а	b	С	out
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

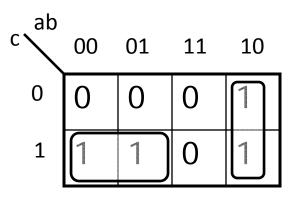


Karnaugh maps identify which inputs are (ir)relevant to the output



Minimization with Karnaugh maps (2)

а	b	С	out
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0



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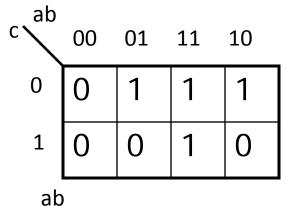
• out = \overline{abc} + \overline{abc} + $a\overline{bc}$ + $a\overline{bc}$

Karnaugh map minimization

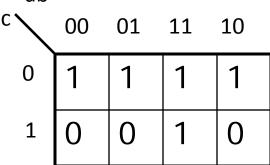
- Cover all 1's
- Group adjacent blocks of 2ⁿ
 1's that yield a rectangular shape
- Encode the common features of the rectangle

• out =
$$a\bar{b} + \bar{a}c$$

Karnaugh Minimization Tricks (1)

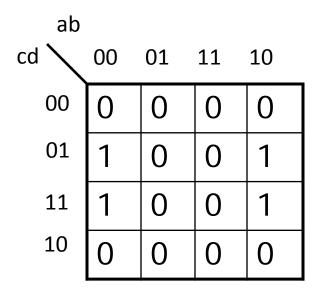






- Minterms can span 2, 4, 8 or more cells
 - out =

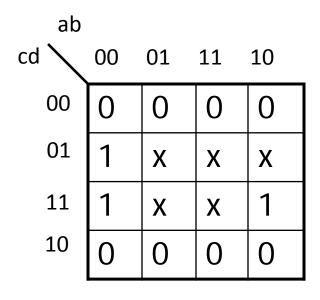
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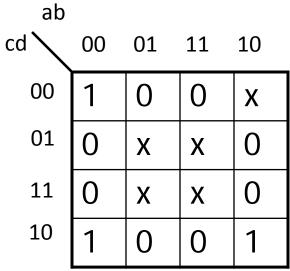


The map wraps around

• out =

Karnaugh Minimization Tricks (3)



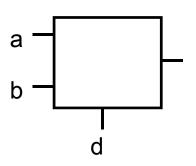


"Don't care" values can be interpreted individually in whatever way is convenient

- assume all x's = 1
- out =

- assume middle x's = 0
- assume 4th column x = 1
- out =

Multiplexer



а	b	d	out
0	0	0	
0	0	1	
0	1	0	
0	1	1	
1	0	0	
1	0	1	
1	1	0	
1	1	1	

A multiplexer selects between multiple inputs

Build truth table

Minimize diagram

Derive logic diagram

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Any logic function can be implemented as "sum of products". Karnaugh Maps minimize number of gates.

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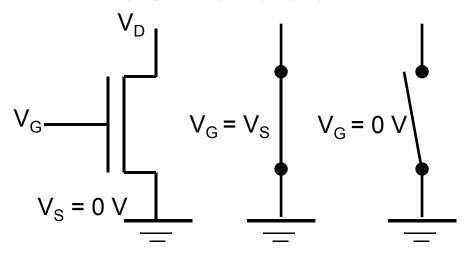
Activity#4 How do we build *electronic* switches?

Transistors:

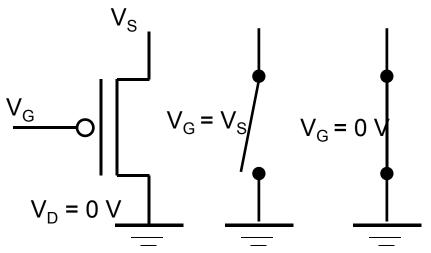
- 6:10 minutes (watch from from 41s to 7:00)
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QO5FgM7MLGg
- Fill our Transistor Worksheet with info from Video

NMOS and **PMOS** Transistors

NMOS Transistor



PMOS Transistor



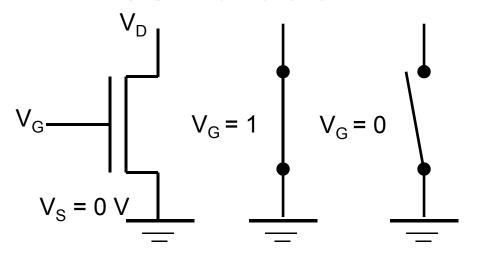
- Connect source to drain when gate = 1
- N-channel

Connect source to drain when gate = 0

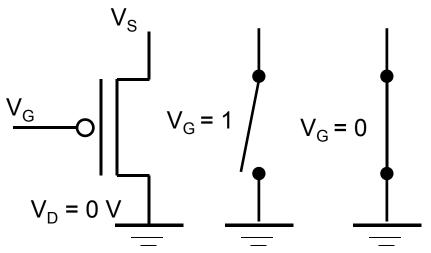
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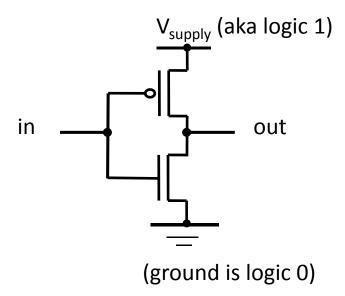


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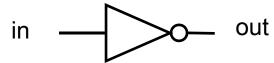
Inverter



In	Out
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1	0

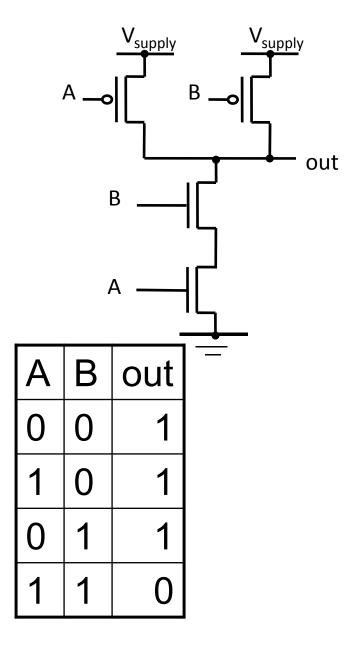
Truth table

- Function: NOT
- Called an inverter
- Symbol:

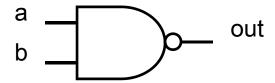


- Useful for taking the inverse of an input
- CMOS: complementary-symmetry metal-oxidesemiconductor

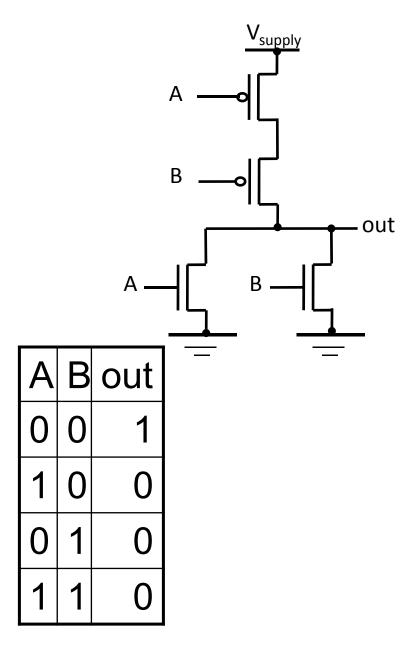
NAND Gate



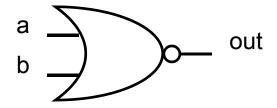
- Function: NAND
- Symbol:



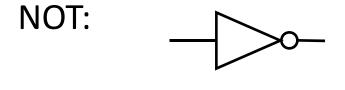
NOR Gate



- Function: NOR
- Symbol:



Building Functions (Revisited)



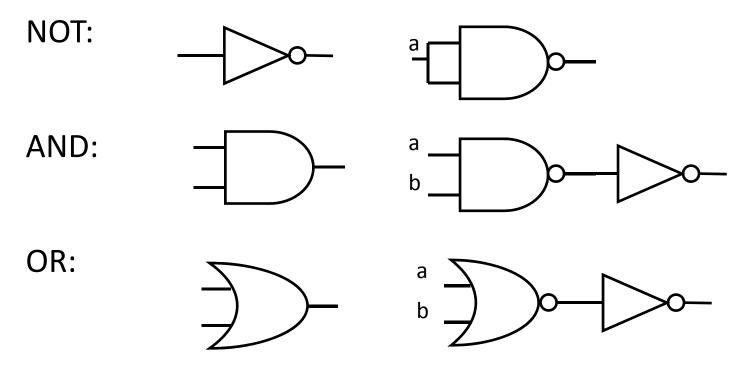
AND:

OR:

NAND and NOR are universal

- Can implement any function with NAND or just NOR gates
- useful for manufacturing

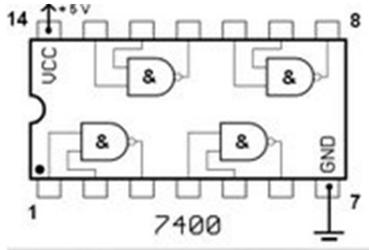
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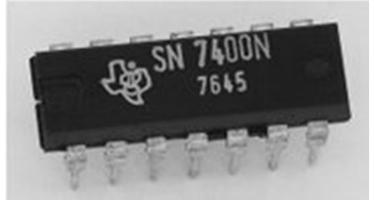


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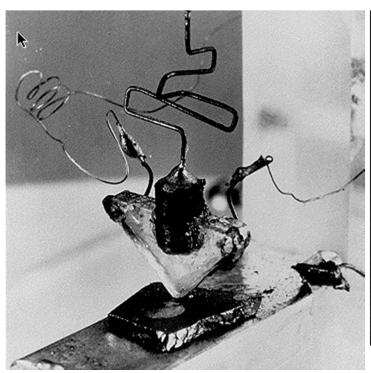


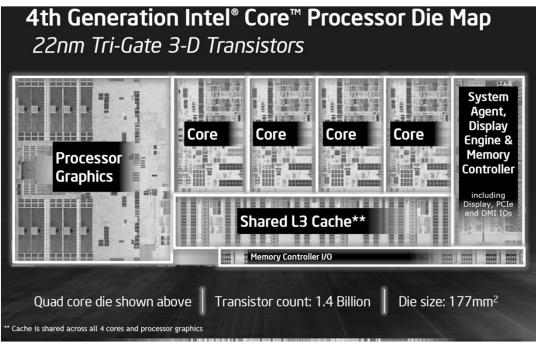
One can buy gates separately

- ex. 74xxx series of integrated circuits
- cost ~\$1 per chip, mostly for packaging and testing

Cumbersome, but possible to build devices using gates put together manually

Then and Now





http://techguru3d.com/4th-gen-intel-haswell-processors-architecture-and-lineup/

The first transistor

- on a workbench at AT&T Bell Labs in 1947
- Bardeen, Brattain, and Shockley

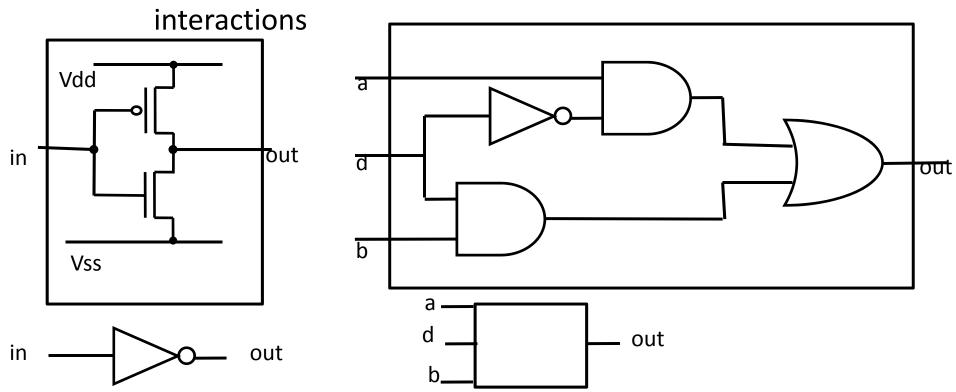
An Intel Haswell

- 1.4 billion transistors
- 177 square millimeters
- Four processing cores

Big Picture: Abstraction

Hide complexity through simple abstractions

- Simplicity
 - Box diagram represents inputs and outputs
- Complexity
 - Hides underlying NMOS- and PMOS-transistors and atomic



Summary

Most modern devices are made from billions of on /off switches called transistors

- We will build a processor in this course!
- Transistors made from semiconductor materials:
 - MOSFET Metal Oxide Semiconductor Field Effect Transistor
 - NMOS, PMOS Negative MOS and Positive MOS
 - CMOS complementary MOS made from PMOS and NMOS transistors
- Transistors used to make logic gates and logic circuits

We can now implement any logic circuit

- Can do it efficiently, using Karnaugh maps to find the minimal terms required
- Can use either NAND or NOR gates to implement the logic circuit
- Can use P- and N-transistors to implement NAND or NOR gates