

# Warmup

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# ES 4: Boolean equations and logic gates

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# Nervous about

- Workload / time needed for solid understanding  
"I've never taken this many credits before..."
- Background / content being new  
"This course was required for my major, but I know very little about it..."
- Building circuits  
"I've never worked with circuit hardware before..."

# From the reading check

- What good are sum-of-products and product-of-sums?
- minterms, pls explain.
- How do I tell if something is combinational?
- How do I go about memorizing the difference between NOT, AND, OR, XOR, NAND, NOR, XNOR?

# By the end of class today, you should be able to:

- Write truth tables for AND, OR, XOR, NOT, NAND, NOR, XNOR
- Write a boolean equation from an English description and vice-versa
- Draw a logic diagram from a boolean equation and vice-versa
- Write a truth table from a boolean equation and vice-versa

# Key representations

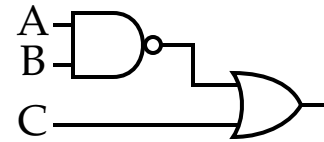
Boolean equation

$$\overline{AB} + C$$

Truth table

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Logic diagram



# Key representations

English  
description

Not both apples and  
bananas...

Code  
`!(A&&B) || C`

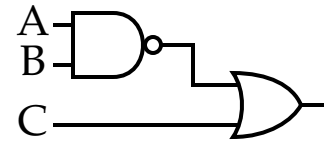
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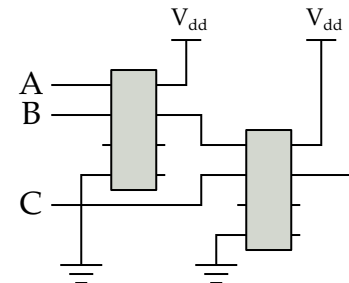
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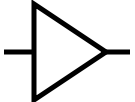

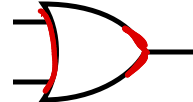
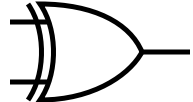
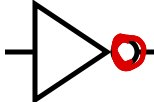

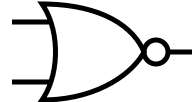
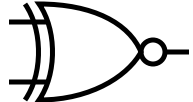
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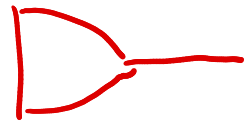
Logic diagram



Circuit diagram



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STAR TREK



Y

A

B

# Bigger equations

We'll use a **bar** to indicate inversion:  $\overline{A+B}$

You might also see "¬" for inversion:  $\neg(A+B)$

AND takes precedence over OR:

$$AB + C = (AB) + C$$

(Think multiplication over addition)

$$A(B+C)$$

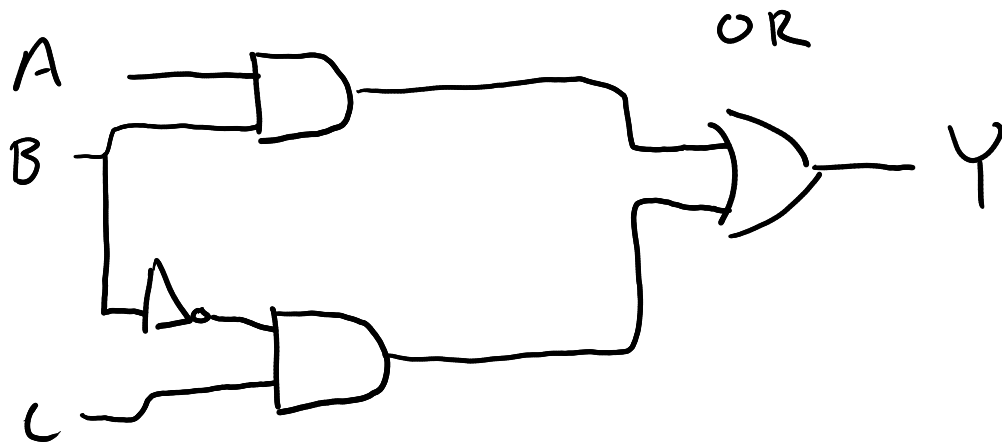
Set theory uses  $\wedge$  and  $\vee$  for AND and OR respectively.

# Drawing logic diagrams

**Elements** are objects

**Nodes** are the interconnections

$$Y = (AB) + (\overline{B}C)$$

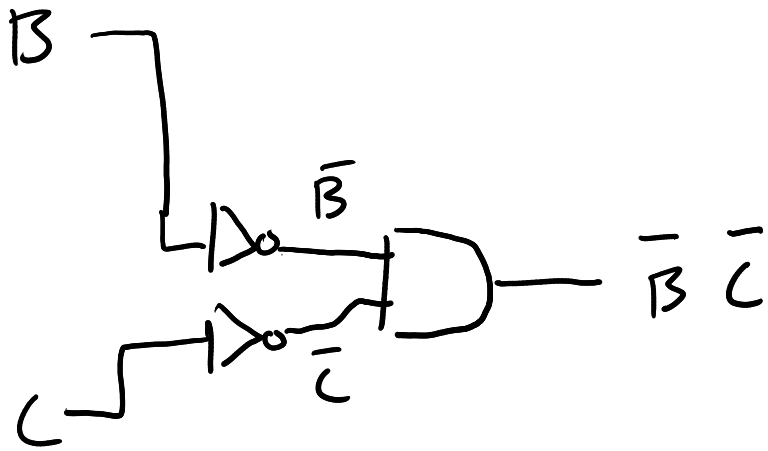


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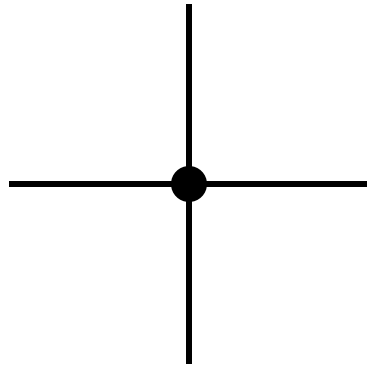


$B$	$C$	$\overline{B}$	$\overline{C}$	$\overline{B}\overline{C}$	$\overline{BC}$
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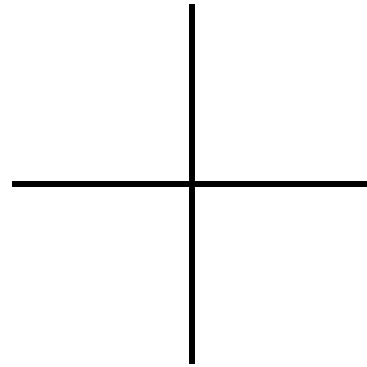
NAND

# Logic diagram connections

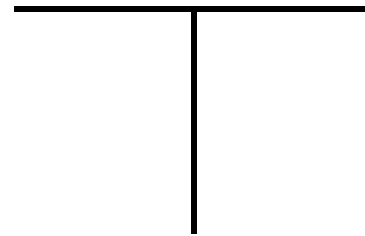
Wires are connected if there's a dot:



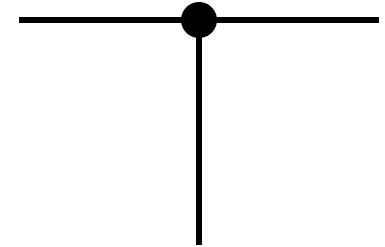
connected



not connected



connected



connected  
(dot is only for clarity)

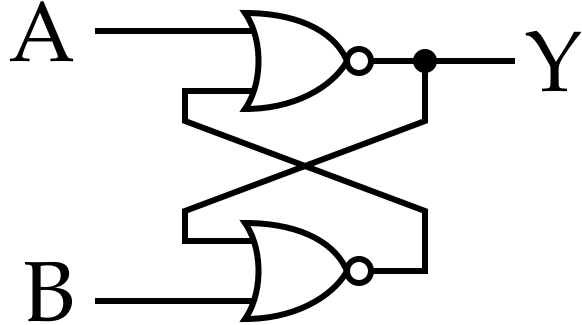
# What is combinational?

A circuit is combinational if:

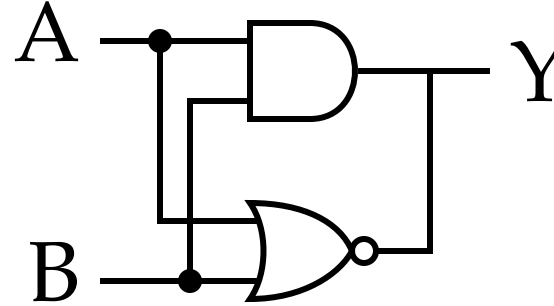
1. It is a discrete logic gate, or
2. It is composed of combinational elements such that:
  - There are no cycles, and
  - Every node (wire) is only driven by one gate

Which of the circuits below are combinational?

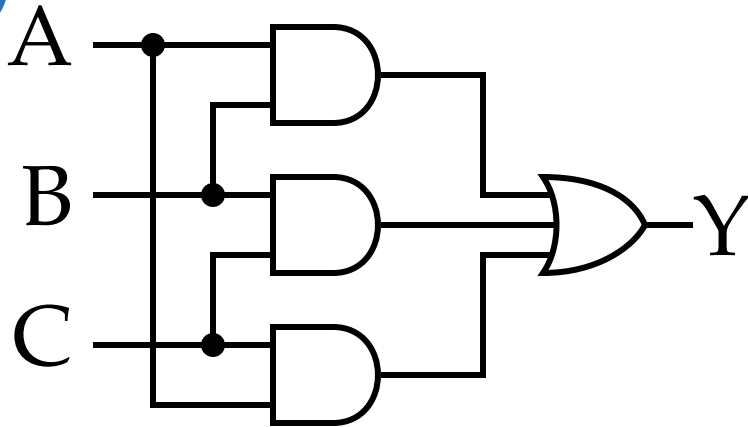
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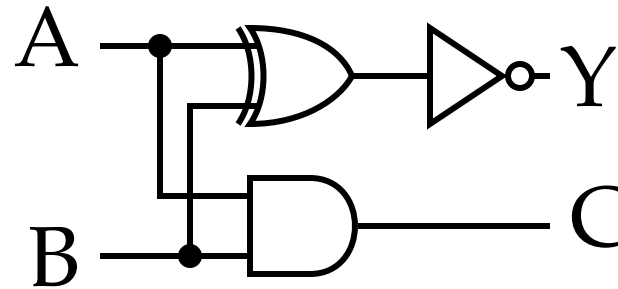
(2)



(3)



(4)



Respond at [pollev.com/stevenbell](https://pollev.com/stevenbell)

# Who cares, anyway?

In a combinational circuit,  
outputs are a function of **only the current inputs**

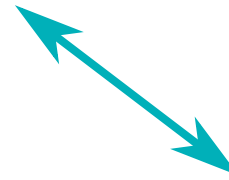
Feedback loops can break this!

Driving one wire with multiple gates breaks the digital abstraction!

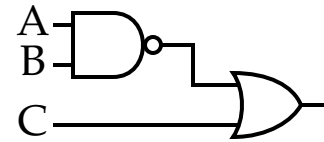
# Translating representations

Boolean equation

$$\overline{AB} + C$$



Logic diagram



Truth table

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# Boolean equation $\leftrightarrow$ logic diagram

Replace operations with gates, following precedence

Replace gates with operations, nesting to create precedence

# Translating representations

Boolean equation

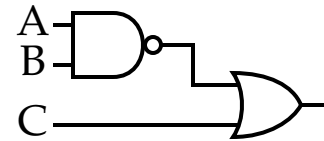
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Evaluate

Truth table

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Logic diagram

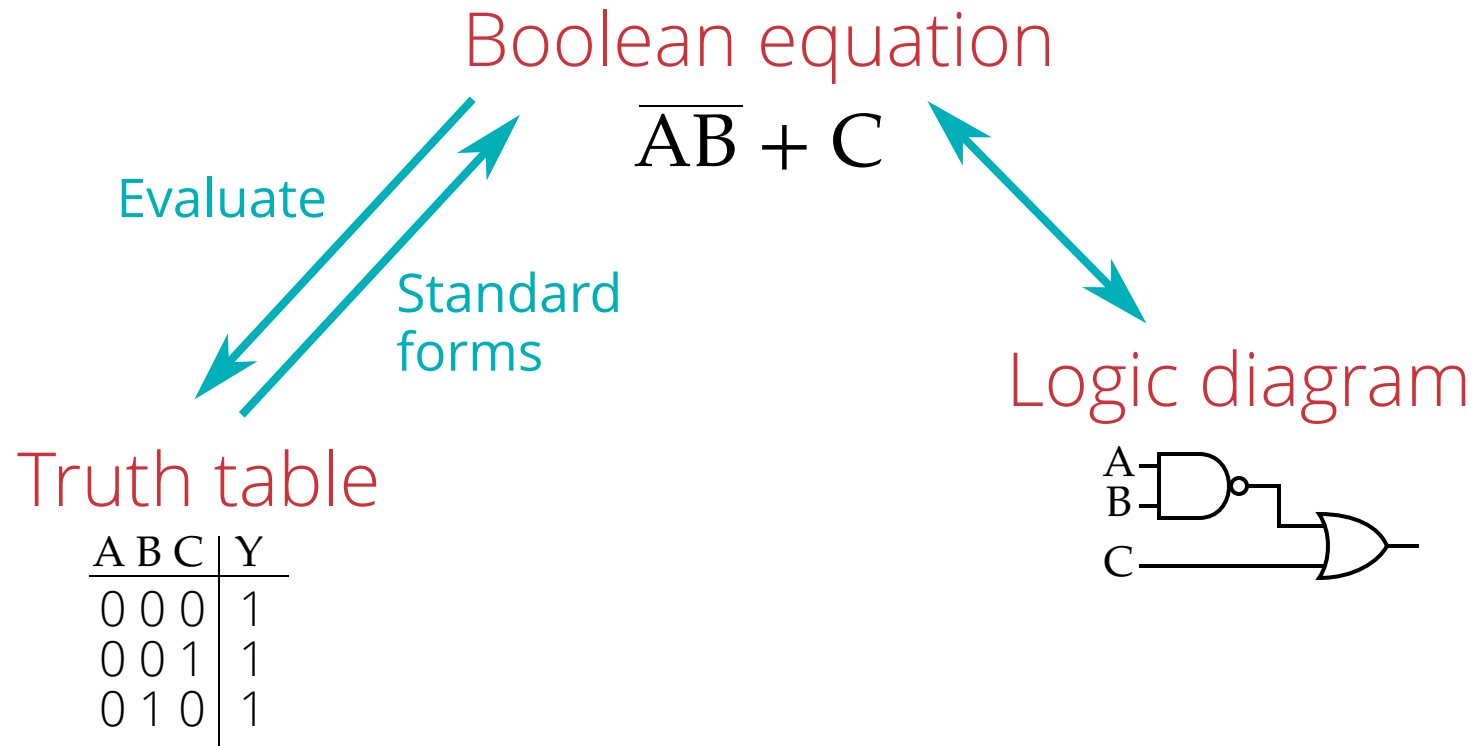


# Boolean equation to truth table

$$Y = AB + \bar{C}$$

A	B	C	AB	Y
0	0	0	0	1
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0	1	1	0	0
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# Translating representations



# Truth table to boolean equation



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$$\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C} + \bar{A}\bar{B}C + A\bar{B}\bar{C} = Y$$

# Truth table to boolean equation

$$Y = (\bar{A} + \bar{B} + \bar{C}) (A + \bar{B} + C) (\bar{A} + B + C)$$

A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	1
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$$(A + \bar{B} + C)$$

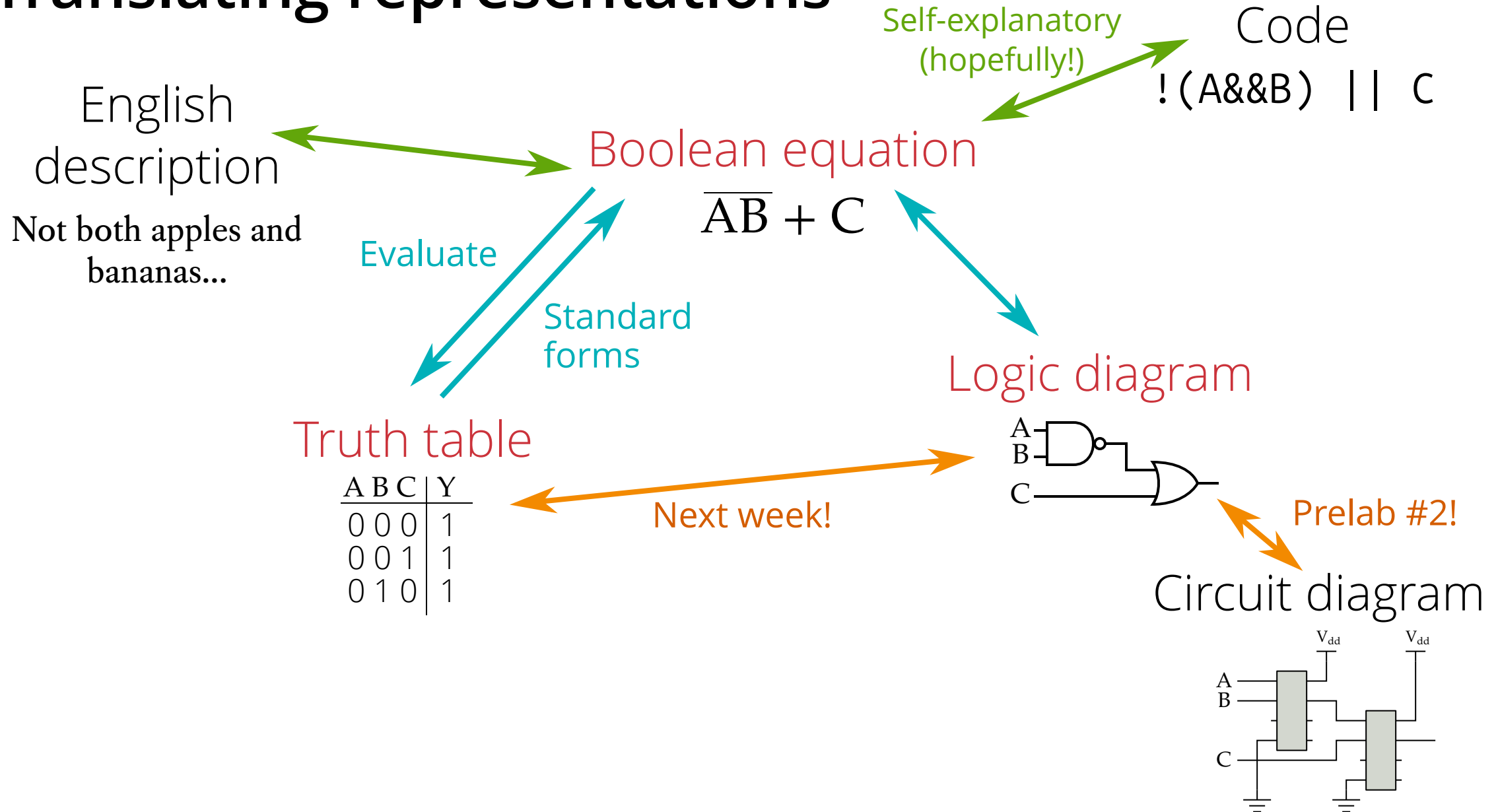
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$$(\bar{A} + \bar{B} + C) = Y$$

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# Translating representations



# For next week

1. Read the book (2.3-2.7) and complete the pre-class reading check  
Due at **11 AM** the day of class, so I can review it
2. Welcome survey posted as soon as I finalize lab times
3. Plan to come to lab next week!

# **Bonus material**

Backup slides, extra information, or just stuff  
I had to cut out of the lecture for the sake of time.

# A useful circuit

We have two 2-bit numbers. Design a circuit to calculate  $A > B$ .

# Boolean or boolean?



George Boole  
(1815-1864)

(Photo from Wikimedia)

**Why is NAND a big deal?**

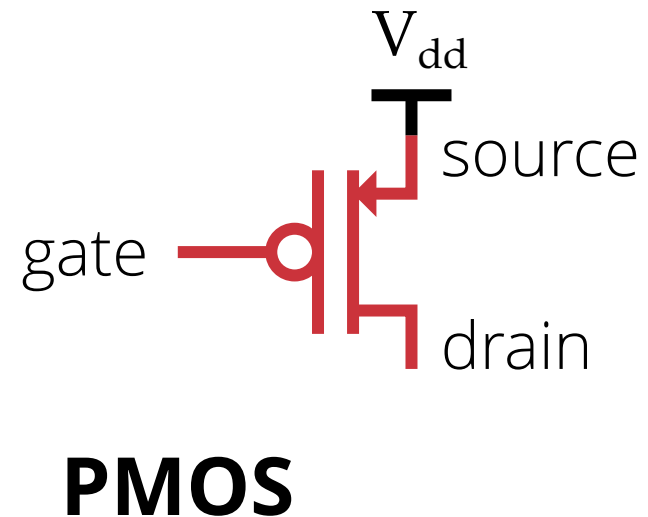
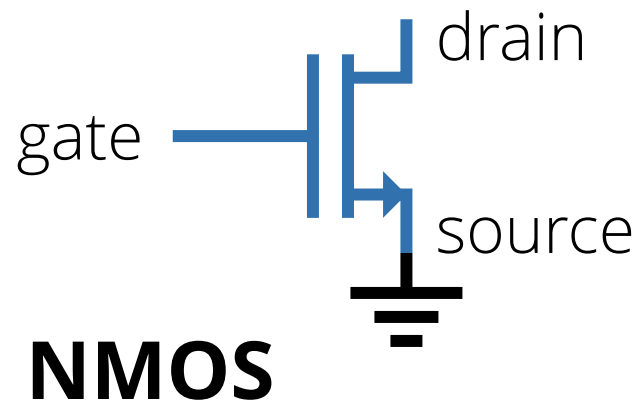
For the purposes of this course,

**MOS transistors** are electrically-controlled **switches**.

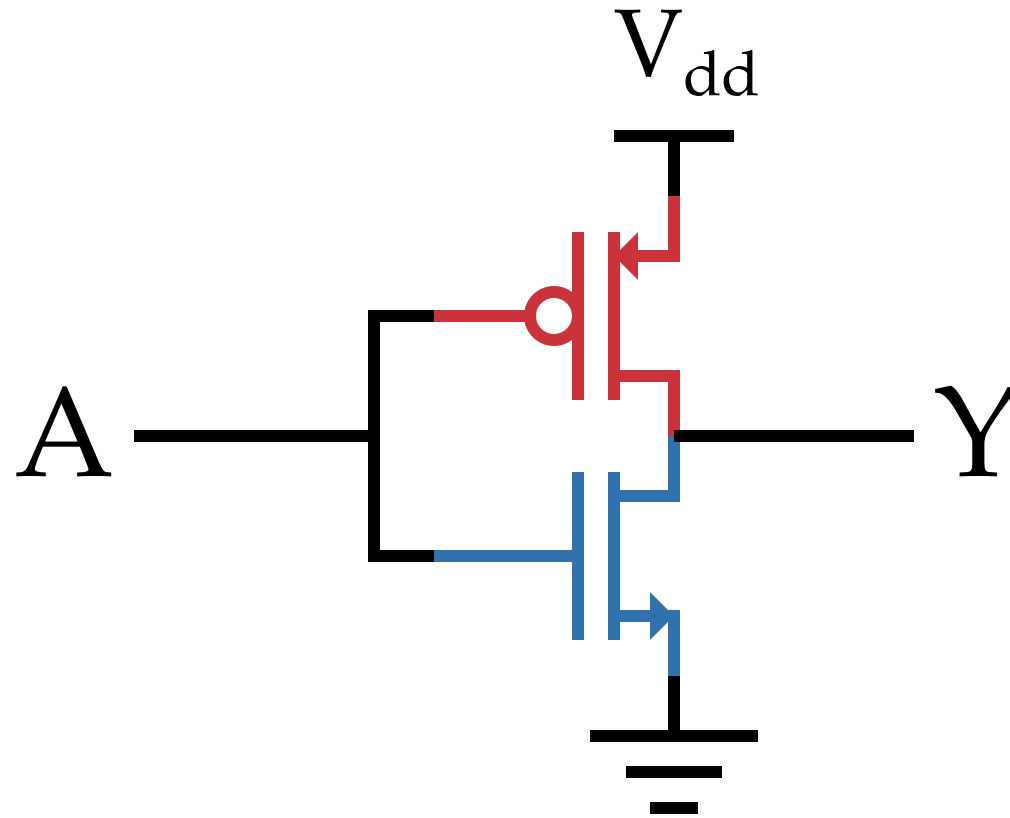
They have one terminal that controls the "switch", called the **gate**.

When the transistor is on, current can flow between the other terminals, called the **source** and **drain**.

They come in two types:



# A simple gate



**PMOS:** "closed" when gate is **low**.

**NMOS:** "closed" when gate is **high**.

# A more complex gate

