START

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Circuits

CMSC250

Circuits

- We can build circuits for addition, multiplication, division, bit shifting…
- Every logical operation we have learned $(\sim, \wedge, \vee)$ maps straightforwardly to a tiny piece of hardware called a *logical gate*.
- These gates connect to each other to make arbitrarily complicated circuits!

From a truth table to a formula

p	q	r	output
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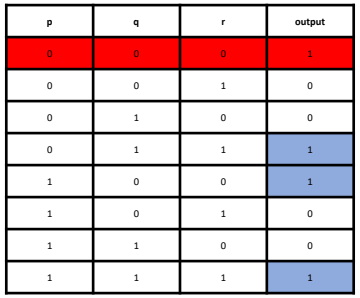
- Let us focus entirely on the rows that output 1!



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Focusing on the 1st row…

p	q	r	output
0	0	0	1

- Write a simple formula that is ’1’ only on inputs p =0, q = 0, r = 0.

$$\sim p \wedge \sim q \wedge \sim r$$

p	q	r	output
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Focusing on the 4th row…

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- Same deal

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Focusing on the 5th row…

p	**q**	**r**	**output**
1	0	0	1

$$p \wedge \sim q \wedge \sim r$$

p	q	r	output
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
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Focusing on the 8th row…

p	q	r	output
1	1	1	1

$$p \wedge q \wedge r$$

How do we combine those simple formulae?

$\sim p \wedge \sim q \wedge \sim r$

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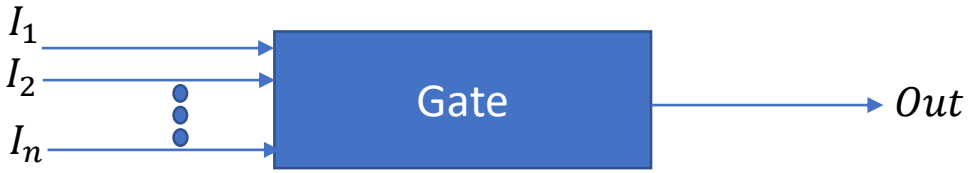
- Outputs 1 if and only if the truth table outputs 1!
- **We want to do this in *hardware!***

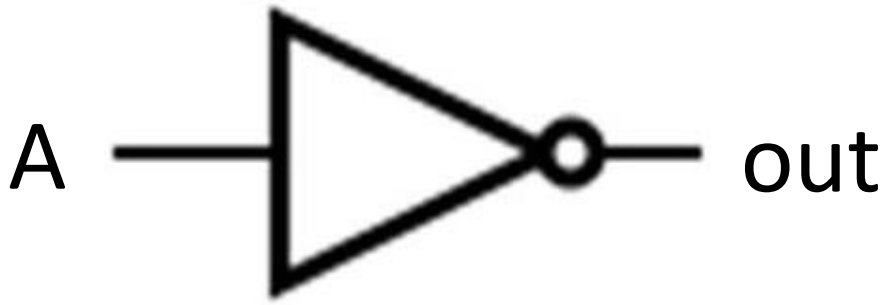
Logical gates

- The smallest pieces of hardware that we will examine are called ***logical gates.***
- Most gates for this course will take **bits** as inputs and will emit one **bit** as output. (Not all gates have this property)



- Those gates can connect to each other in various different ways in order to create more complex circuits

Our first gate



A	out
0	1
1	0

- This gate is known as the **inverter.**
- It corresponds **exactly** to the negation operation in propositional logic!
  - Where 1, set True.
  - Where 0, set False

Our second gate

p	q	r
0	0	0
0	1	0
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- Corresponds to:

Conjunction

Disjunction

Our second gate (AND gate)

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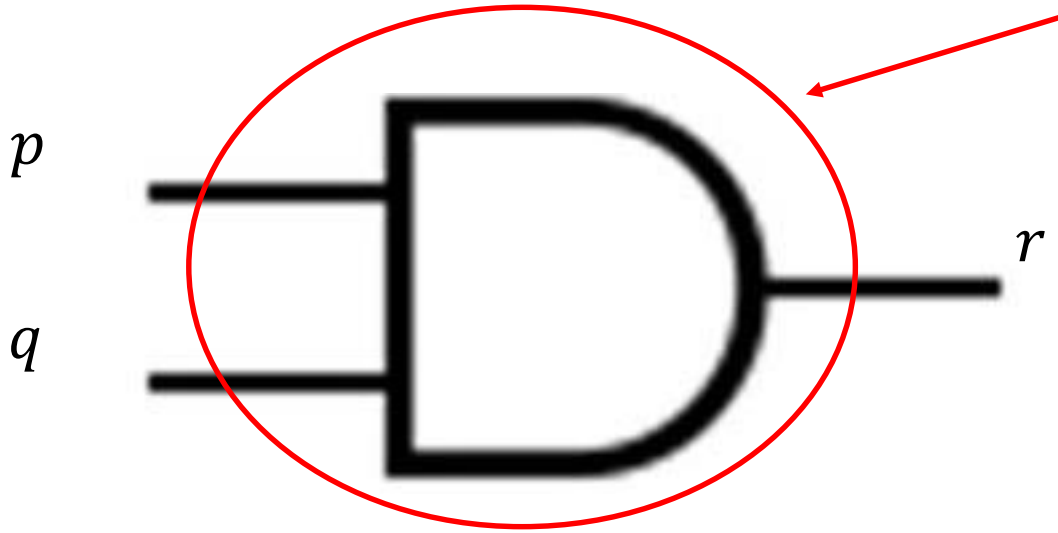

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Our third gate (OR gate)

p	q	r
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

- Corresponds to logical disjunction (OR)

Our fourth and fifth gate (NAND and NOR gate)

p	q	r
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	1
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Exercises

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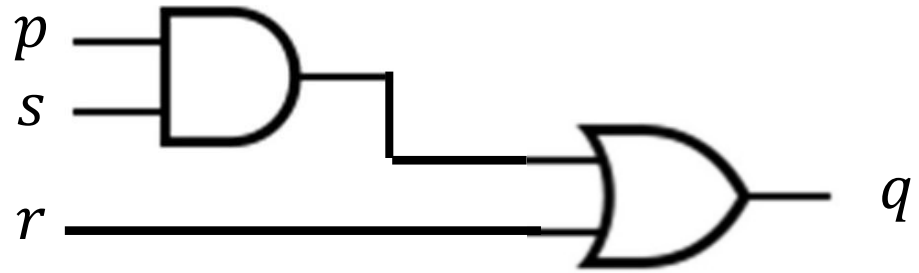

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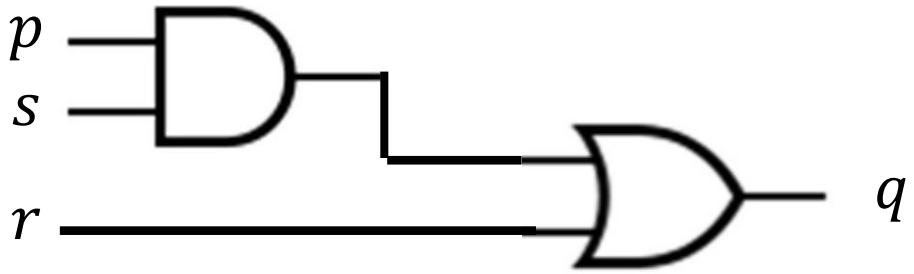

$(p \wedge s) \vee r$

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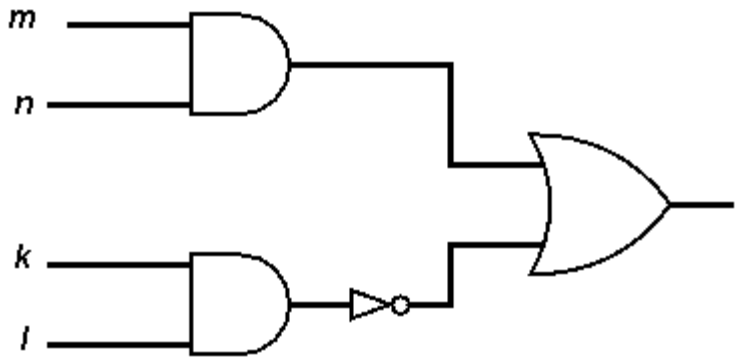

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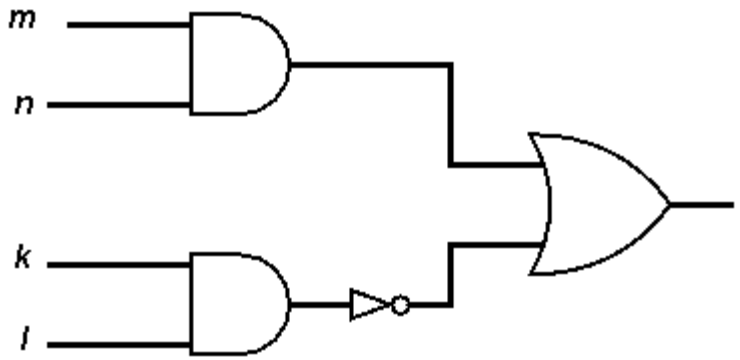

$$(m \wedge n) \vee (\sim (k \wedge l))$$

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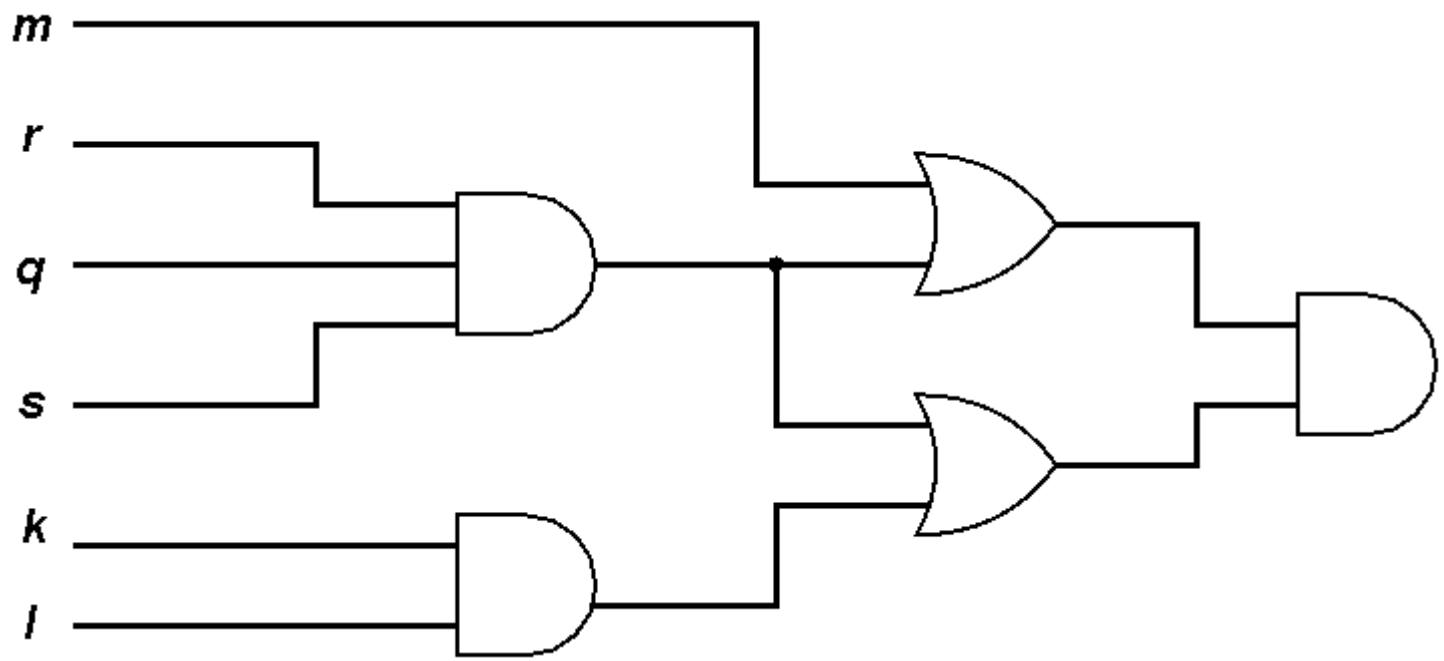

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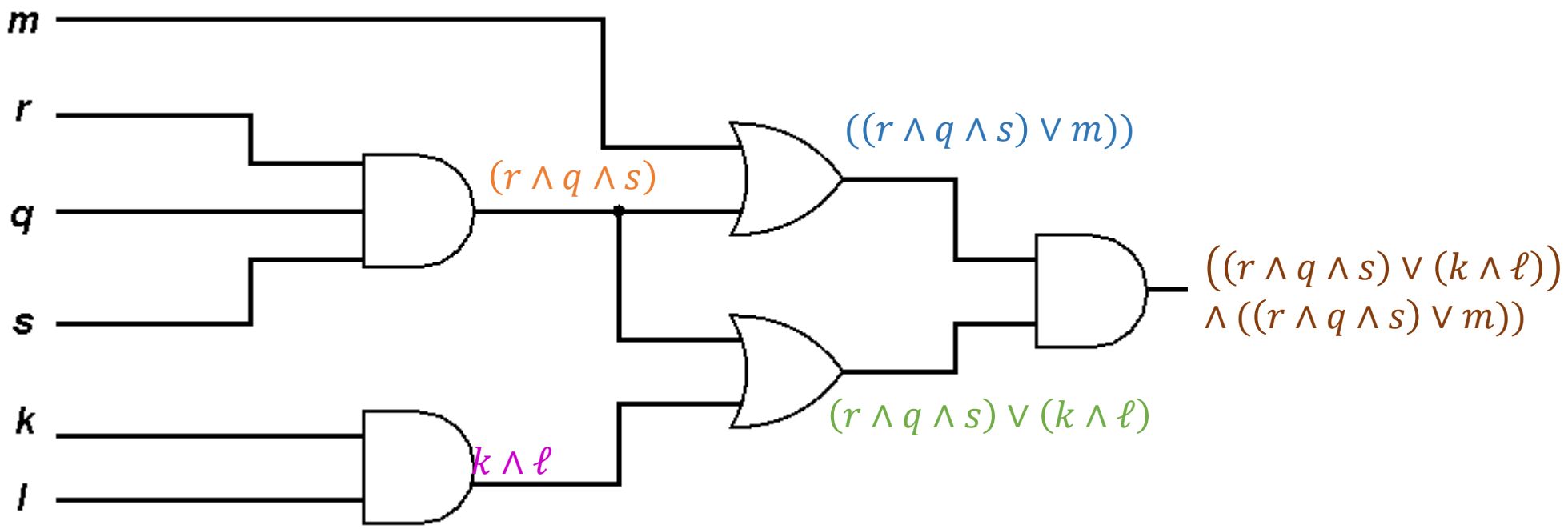


$$\big((r \wedge q \wedge s) \vee (k \wedge \ell)\big) \wedge ((r \wedge q \wedge s) \vee m))$$

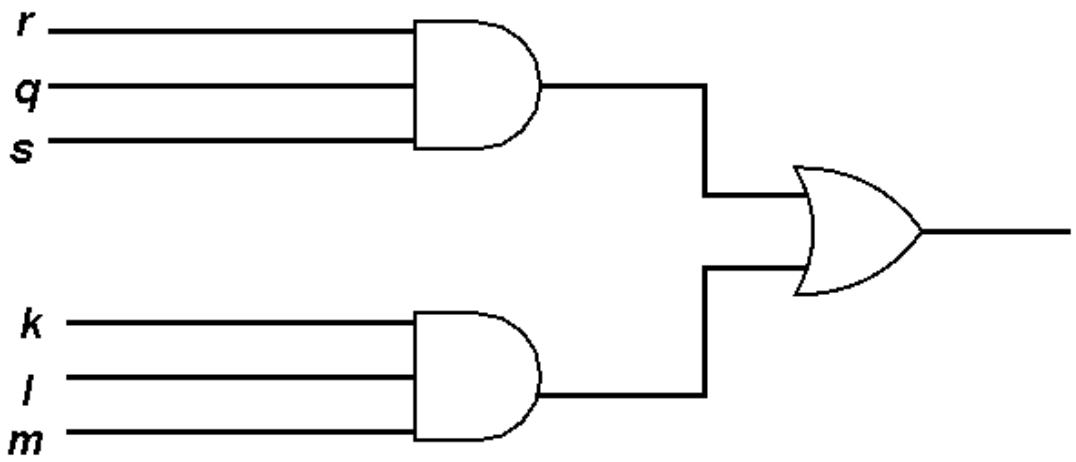
And this?

Can we make this circuit *cheaper*?

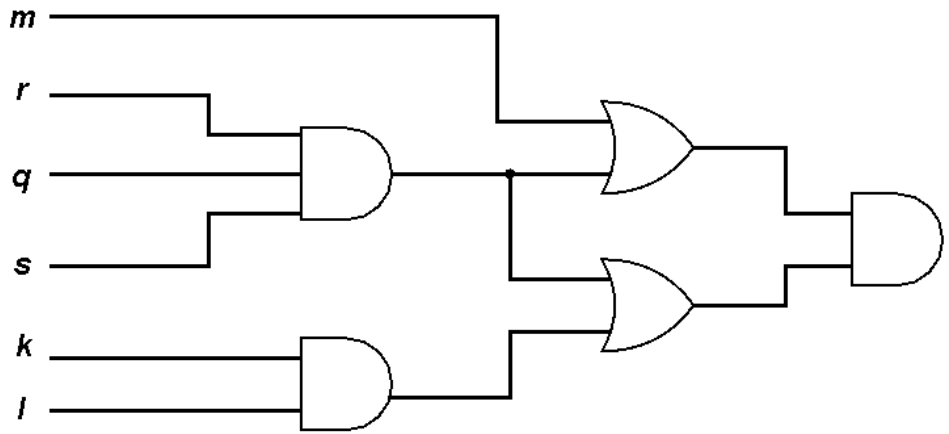
$$\big((r \wedge q \wedge s) \vee (k \wedge \ell)\big) \wedge ((r \wedge q \wedge s) \vee m))$$

Simplifying the circuit…

$$((r \wedge q \wedge s) \vee (k \wedge \ell)) \wedge ((r \wedge q \wedge s) \vee m))$$
$$\equiv (r \wedge q \wedge s) \vee ((k \wedge \ell) \wedge m)$$



New circuit: Three gates



Old circuit: Five gates

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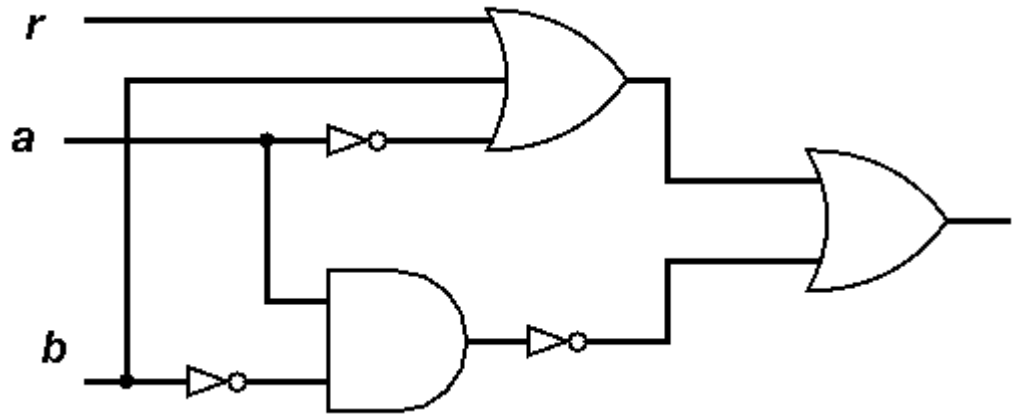
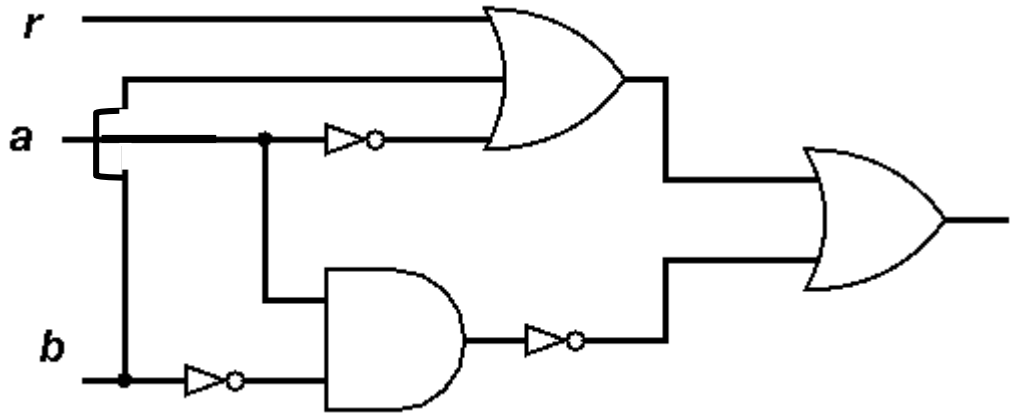


Exercises

1. Which logical expression is computed by the following circuit?
2. ***Simplify*** the circuit as much as possible!



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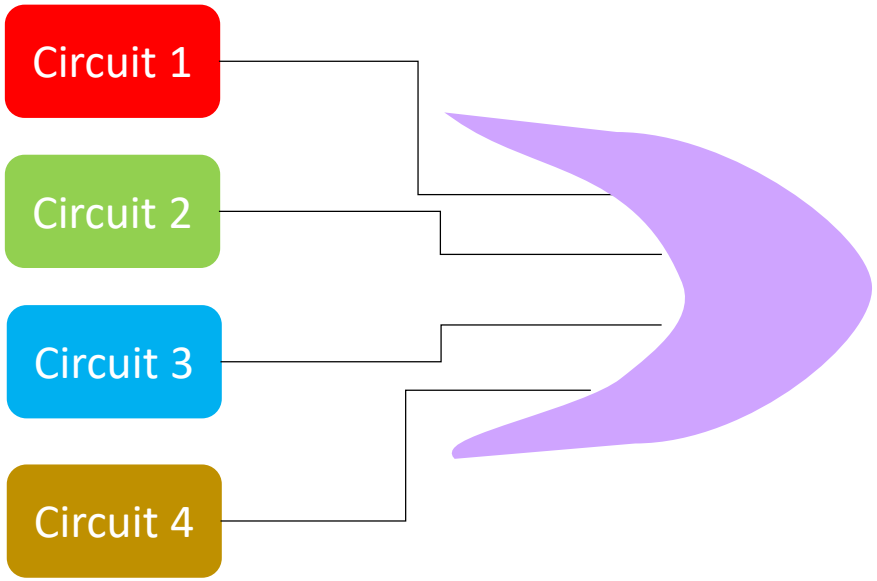

Circuit 1

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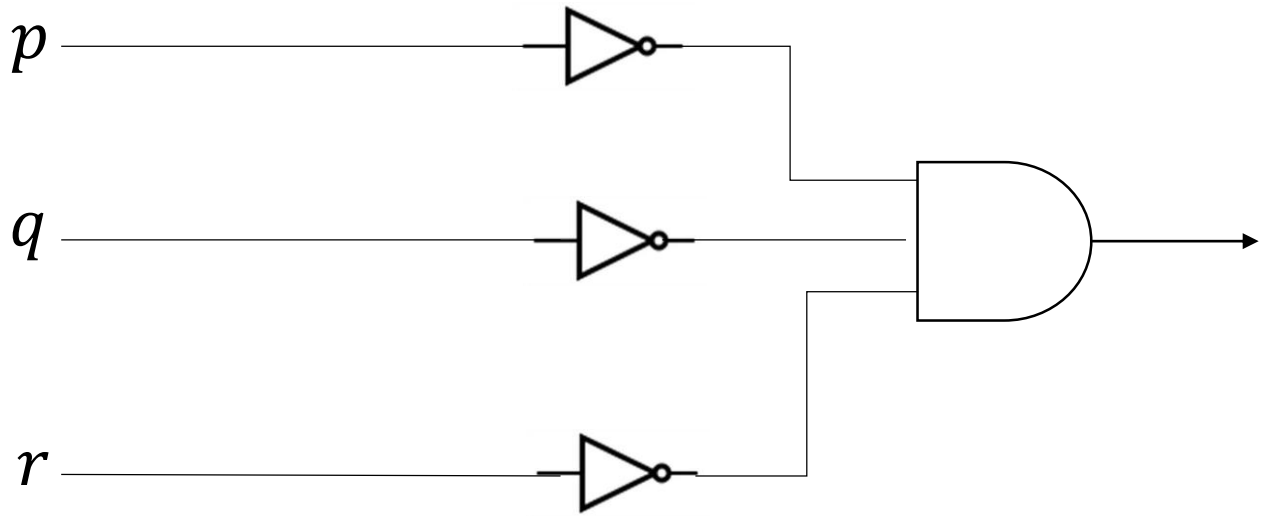

Circuit 2

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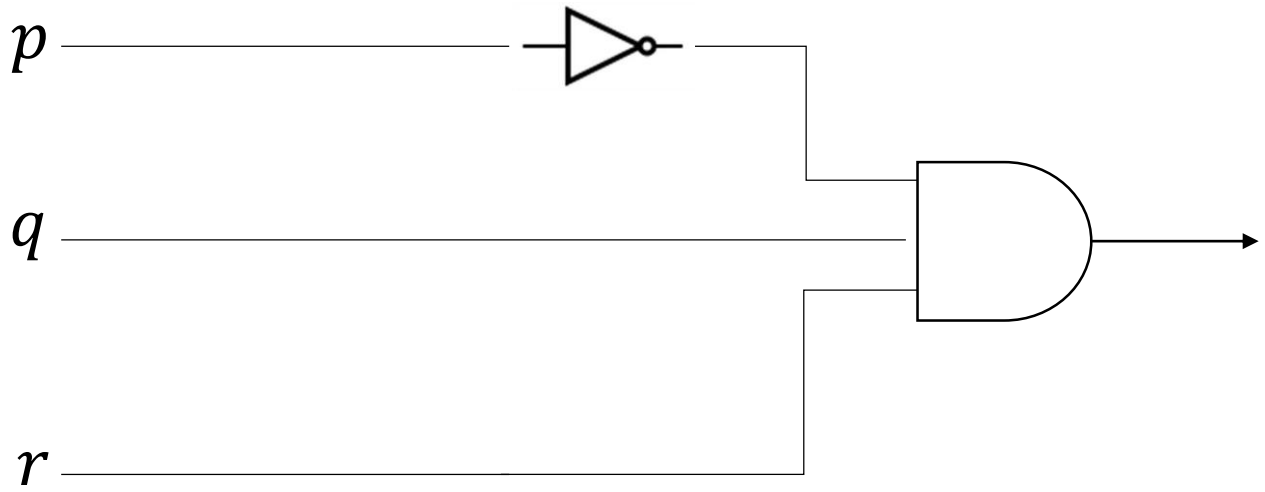

Circuit 3

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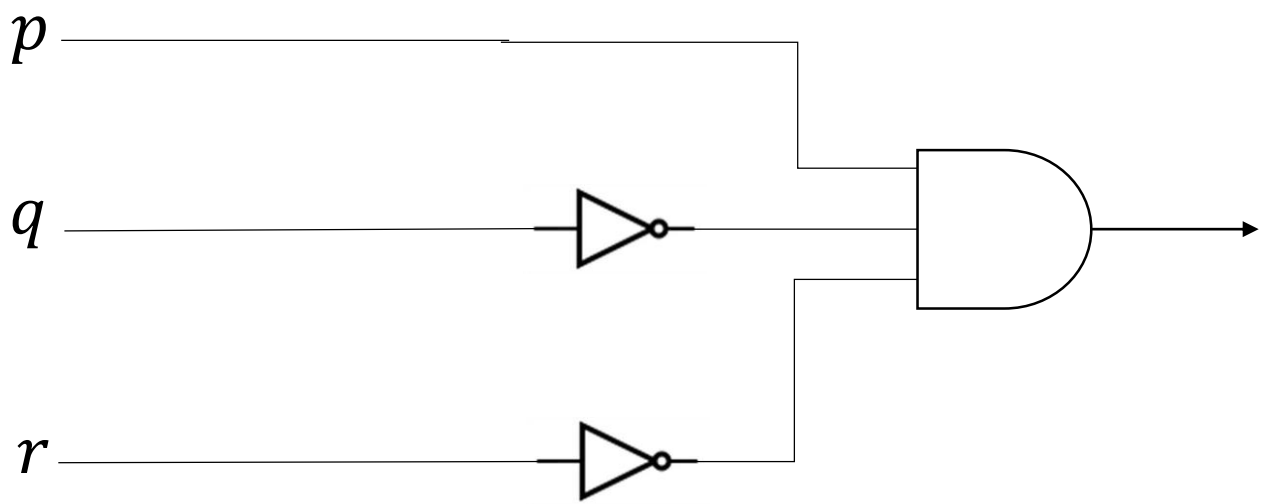
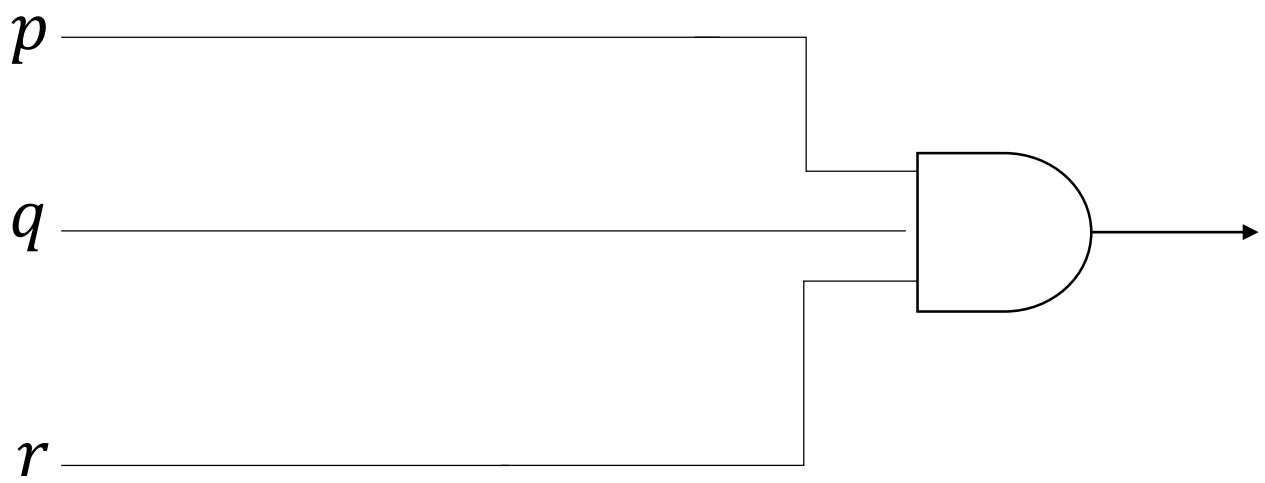


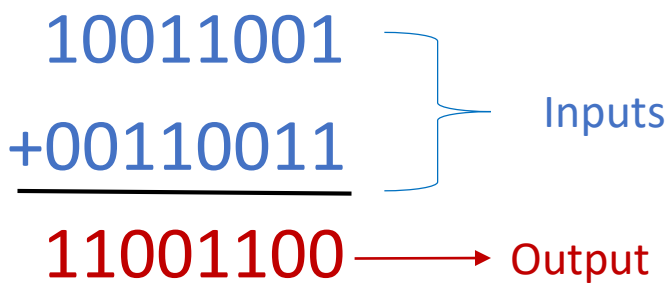
Circuit 4

$(p \wedge q \wedge r)$



Building Adder Circuits

- We want to build circuits that add arbitrarily large binary numbers.
- E.g



Half-Adder

- A half-adder is a circuit that adds **two bits** together!

$$\begin{array}{r} X \\ +\ Y \\ \hline C\ S \end{array}$$

- (Remember: C is the carry bit.)
- Let's try to build a circuit that computes both S and C!

Truth table

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0	0	?	?
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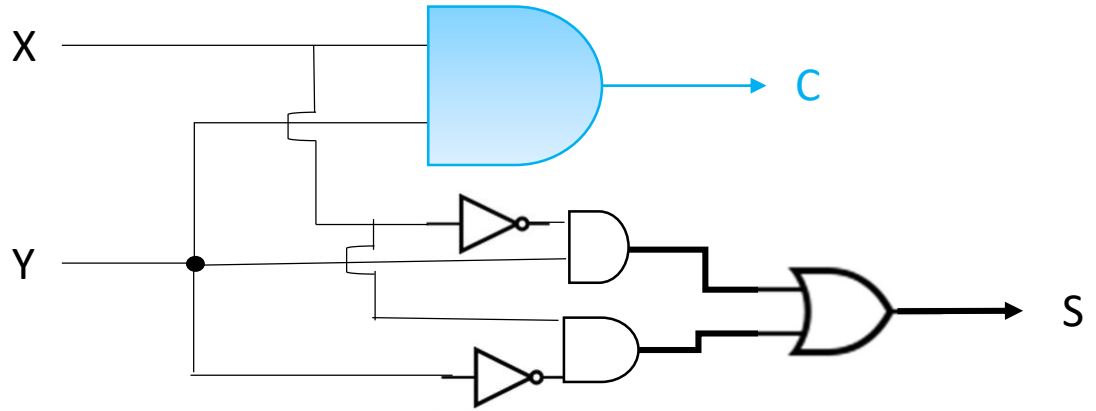

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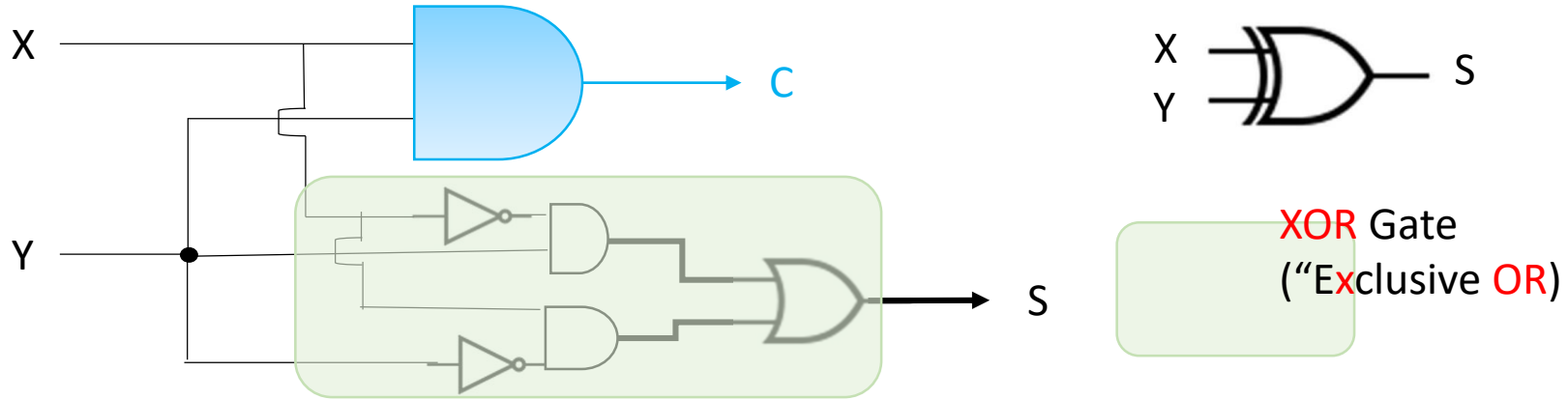

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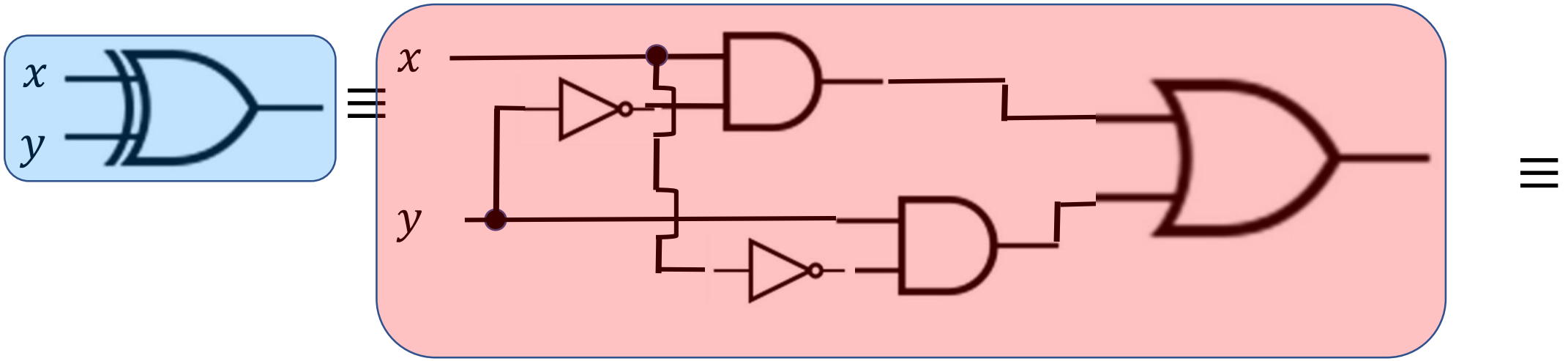

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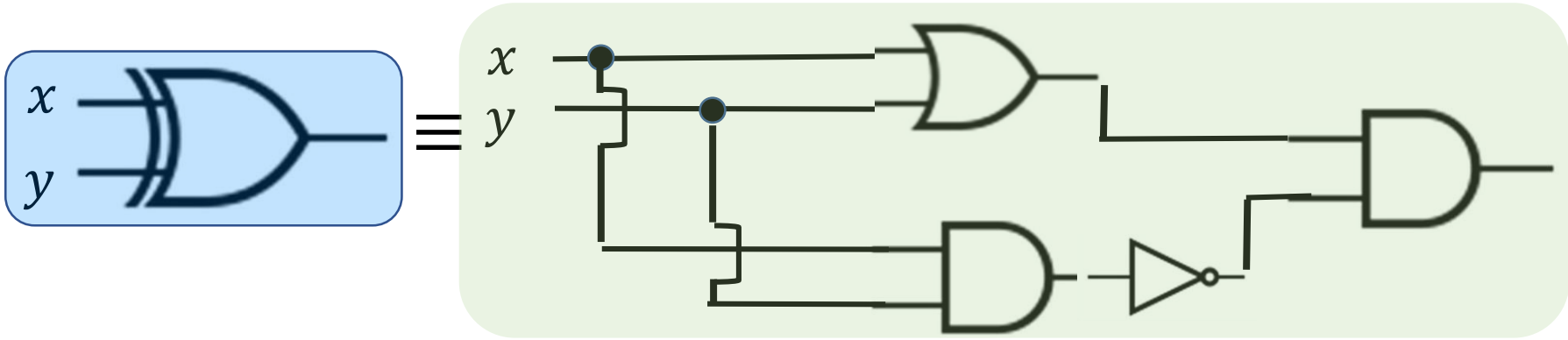

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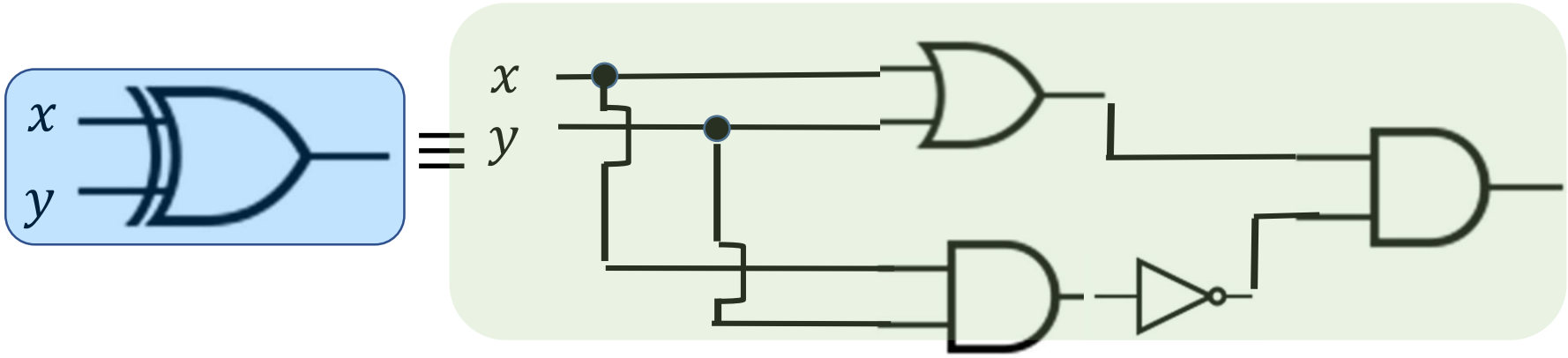
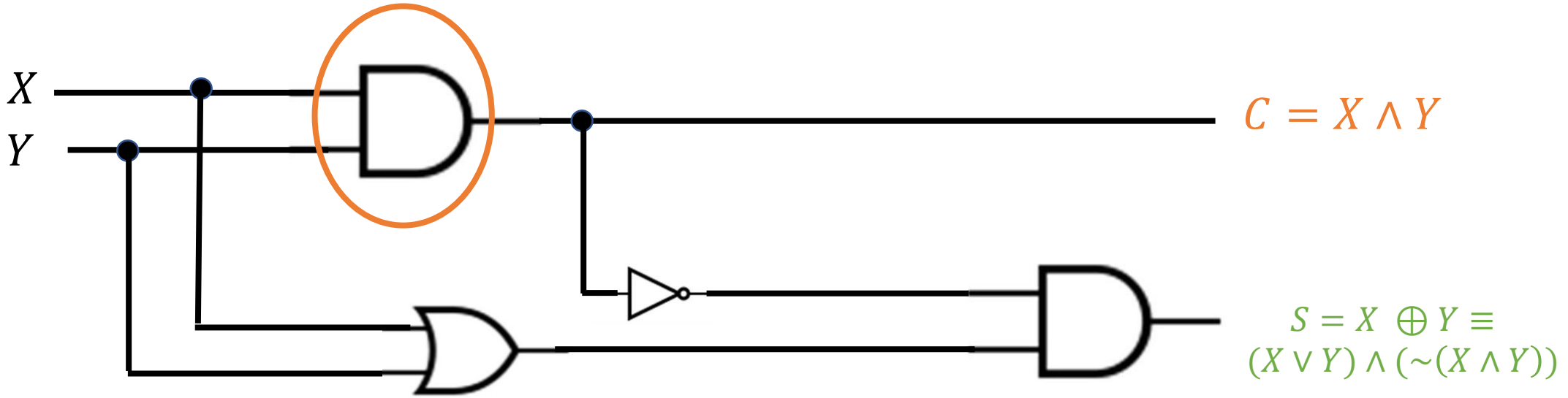


From **five** gates to **four**!

Optimizing Half Adder

- We can now optimize the Half Adder.
- We won't just use simplified XOR, but also leverage simplified XOR to **re-use** the AND gate used to compute the carry bit C !



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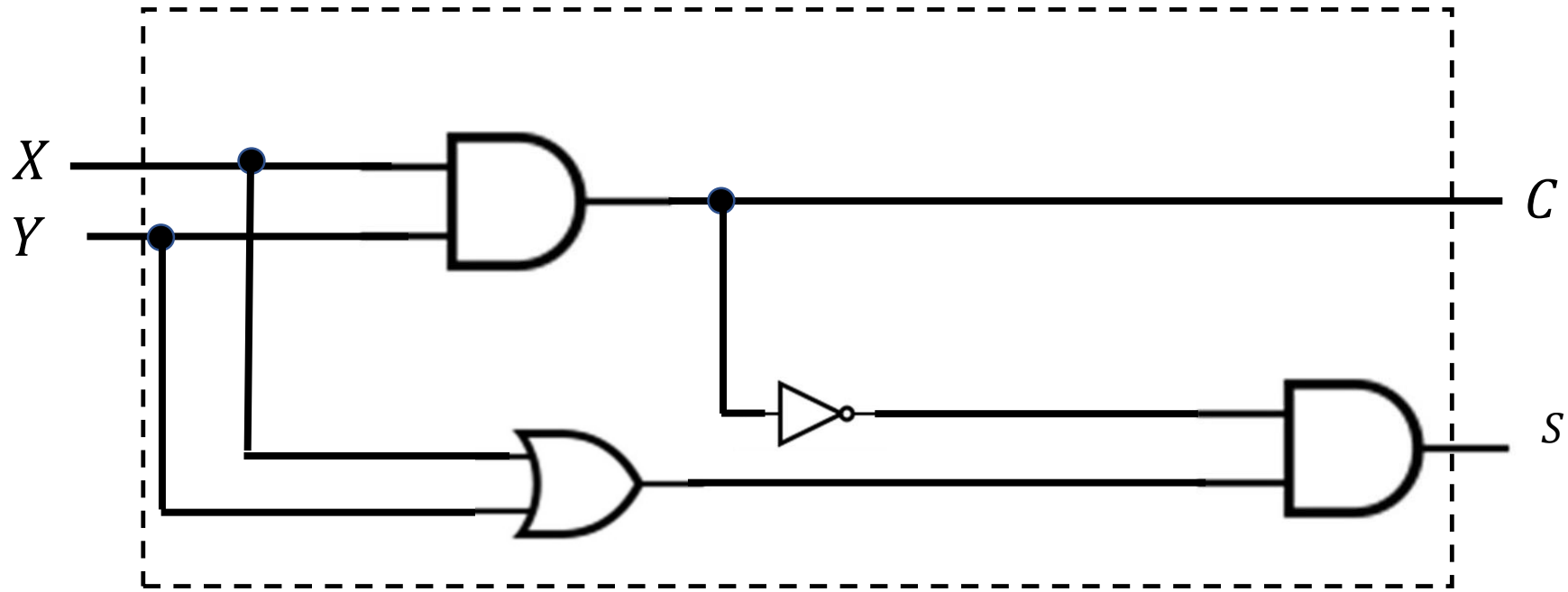

4 gates, instead of 6 for the previous one!

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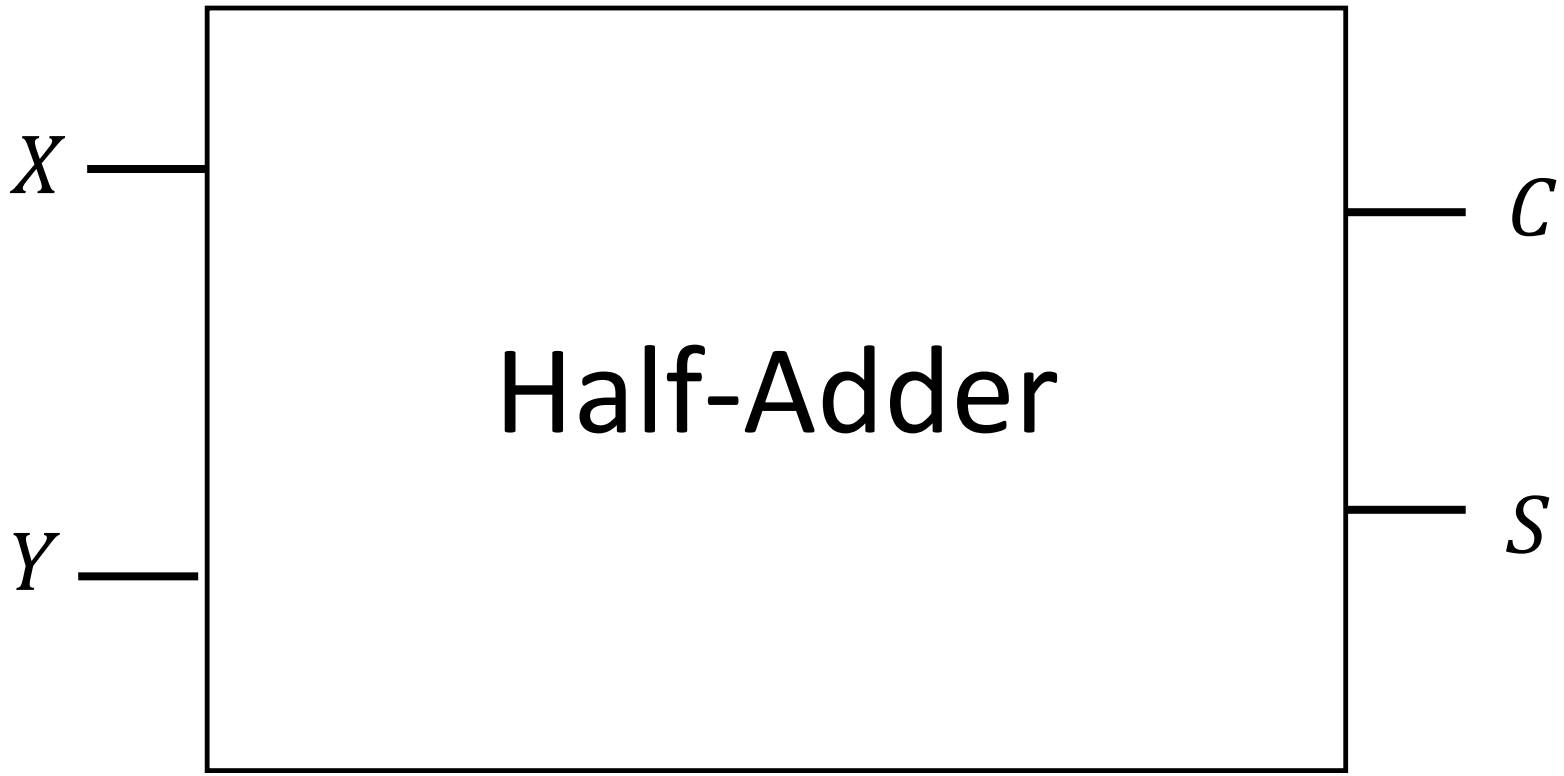

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We will call a circuit that adds 3 bits a full adder

We could do the truth table….

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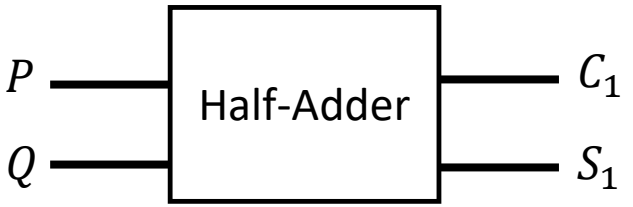
But it’s time consuming and we are all busy people

Constructing a Full-Adder in another way

- We need to build a circuit that computes the sum of 3 digits, e.g P + Q + R

- Step 1: Compute $\begin{array}{r} P \\ +\ Q \\ \hline C_1S_1 \end{array}$ with a **half-adder**:



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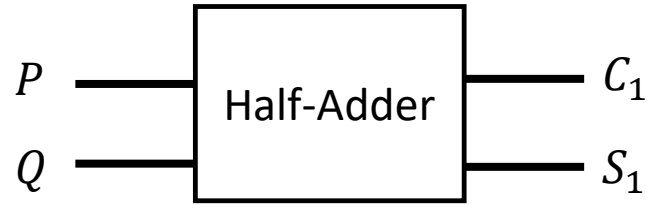
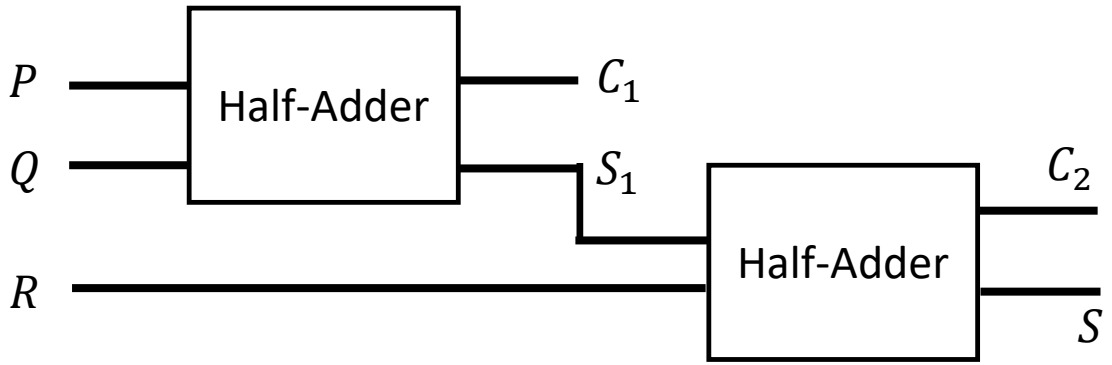


S_1

- Step 2: Compute $+\ R$ with another half-adder:

C_2S



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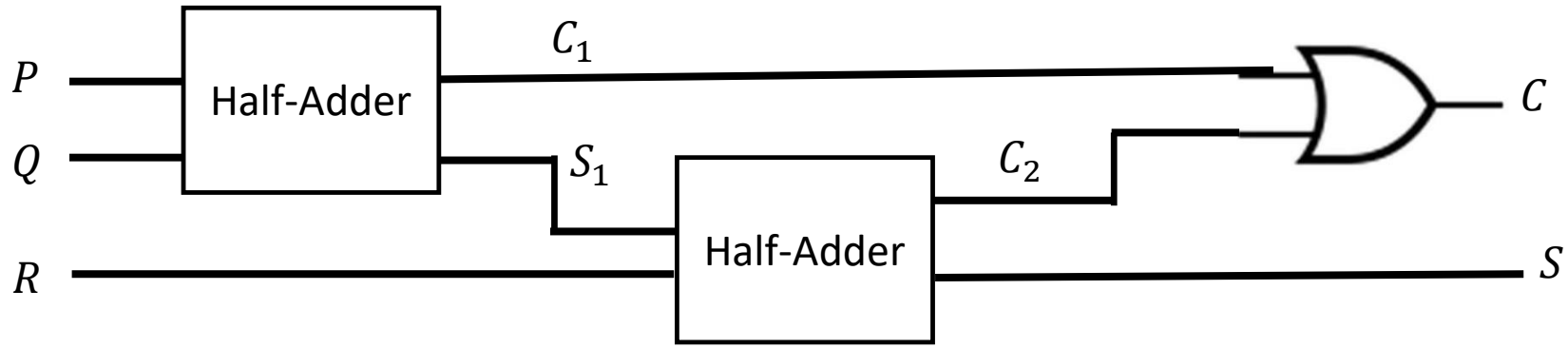

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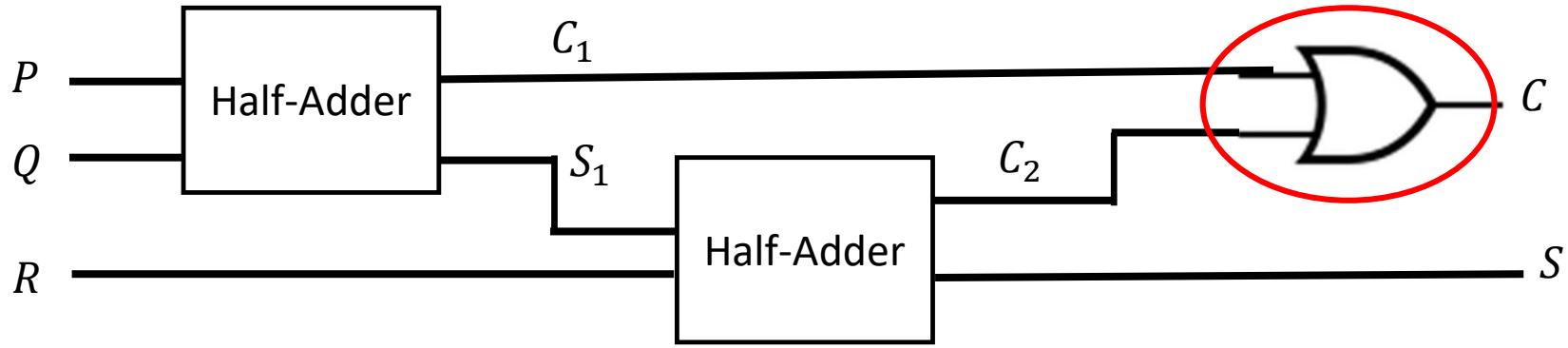

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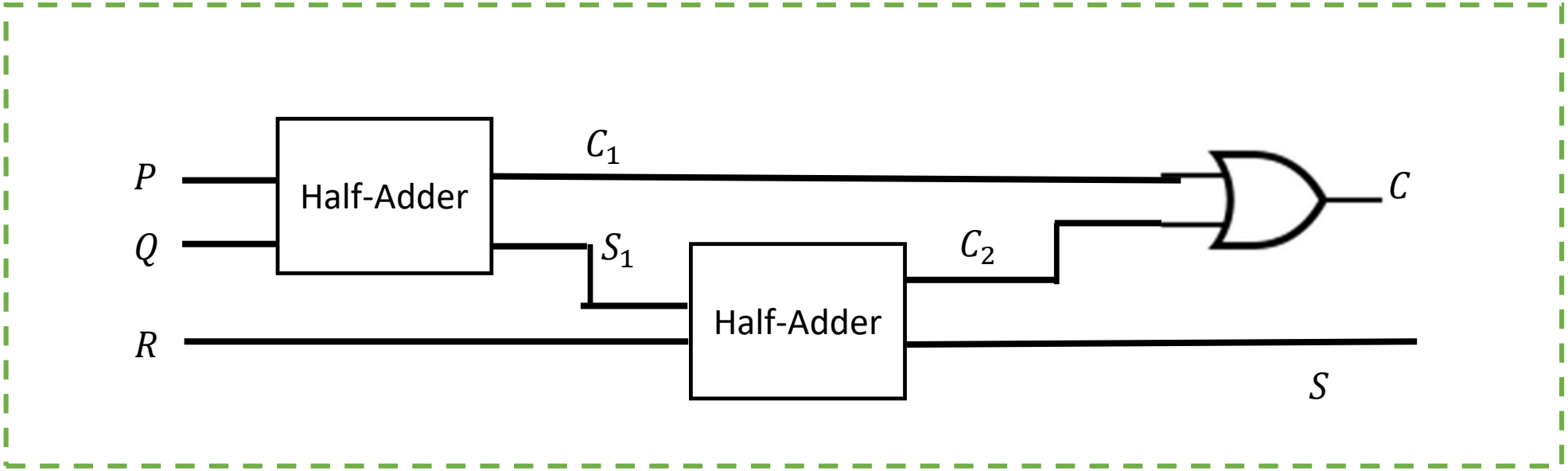

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Abstraction time!

Full Adder Black Box

- 3 inputs, 2 outputs

2-bit adder

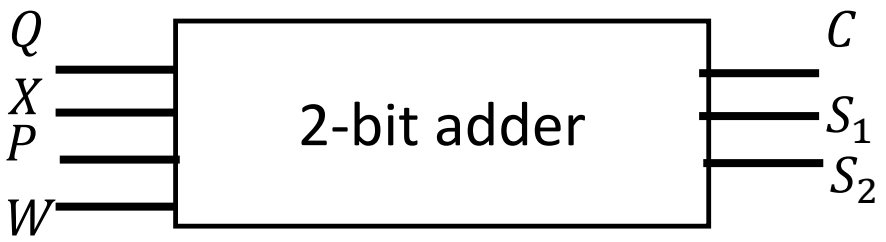
- However, **we still have not solved our original problem**, which is to construct a circuit that adds 2-bit numbers!

P Q

\+ W X

C S_1 S_2

- So, we need a circuit that takes 4 inputs and emits 3 outputs:



Constructing a 2-bit adder

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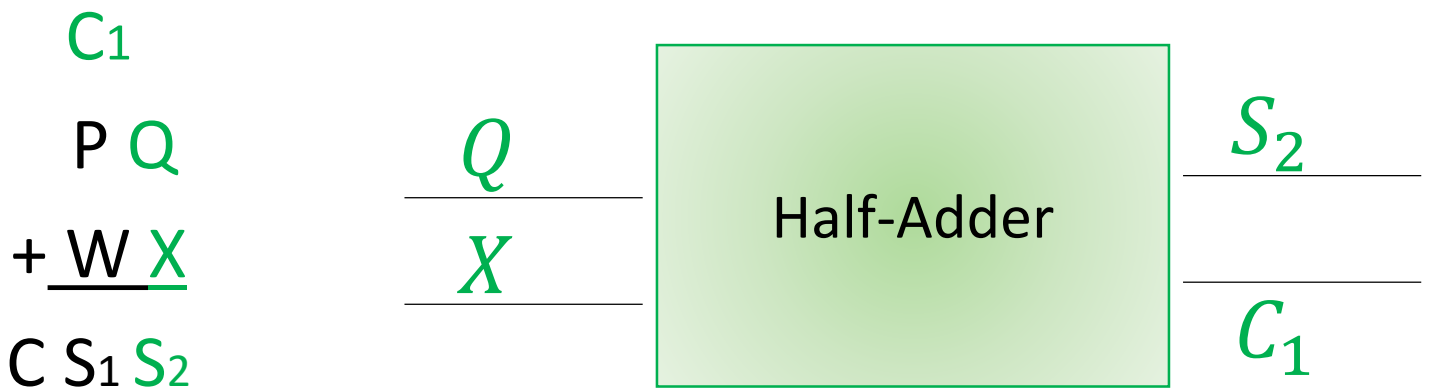

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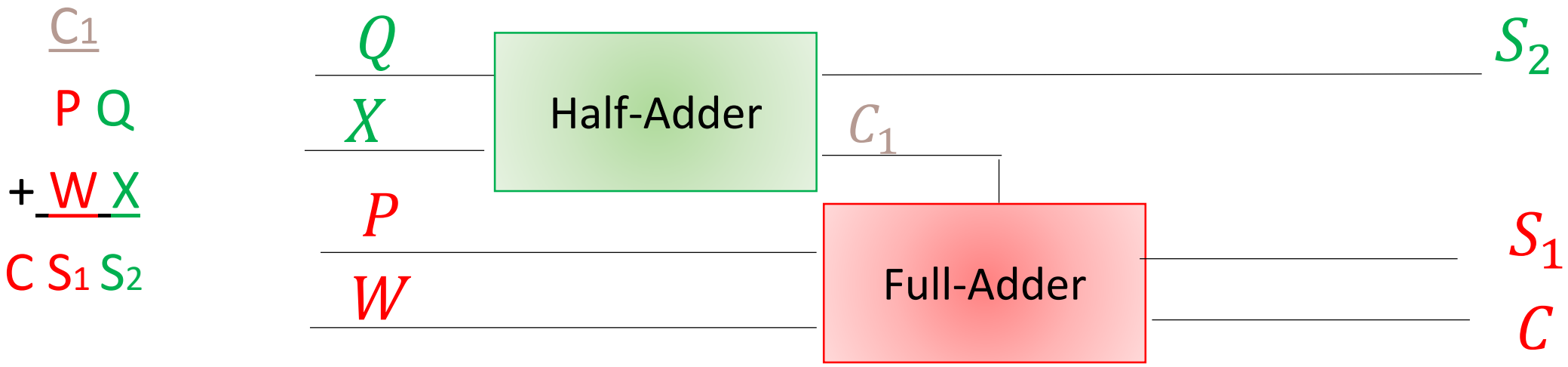

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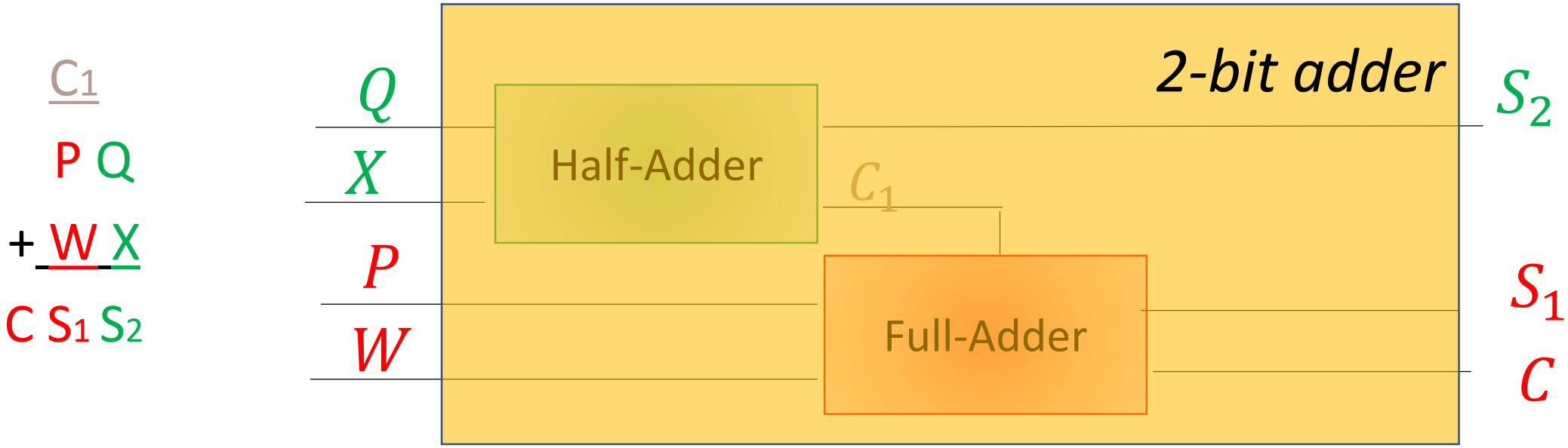

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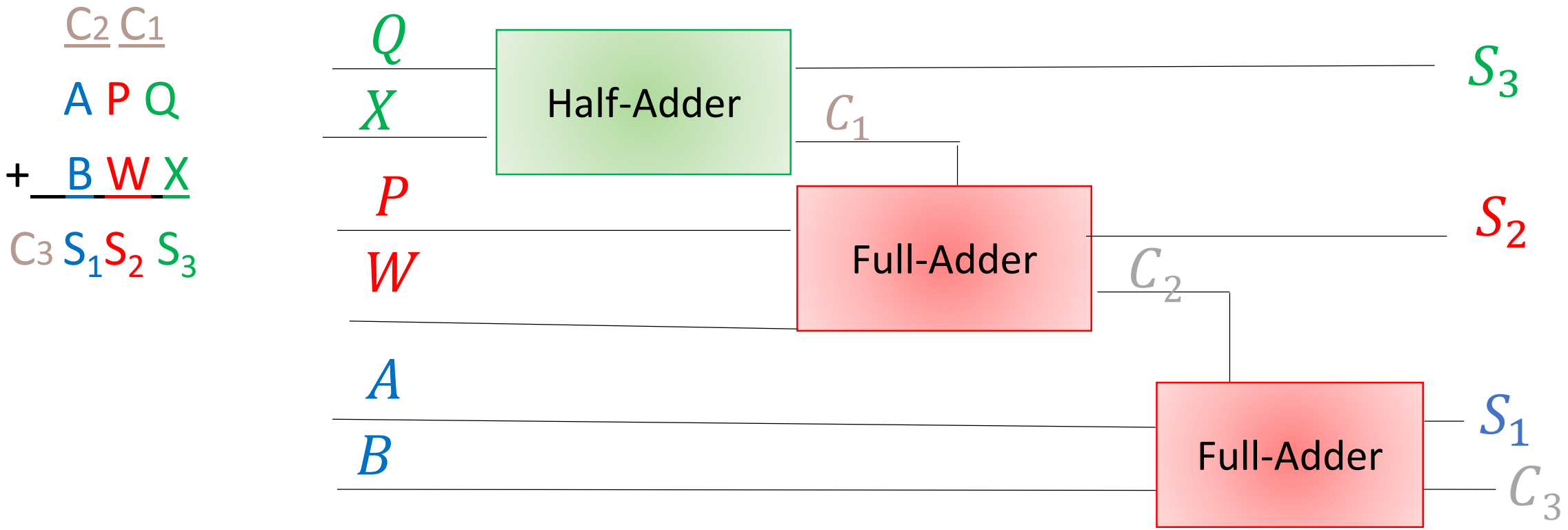
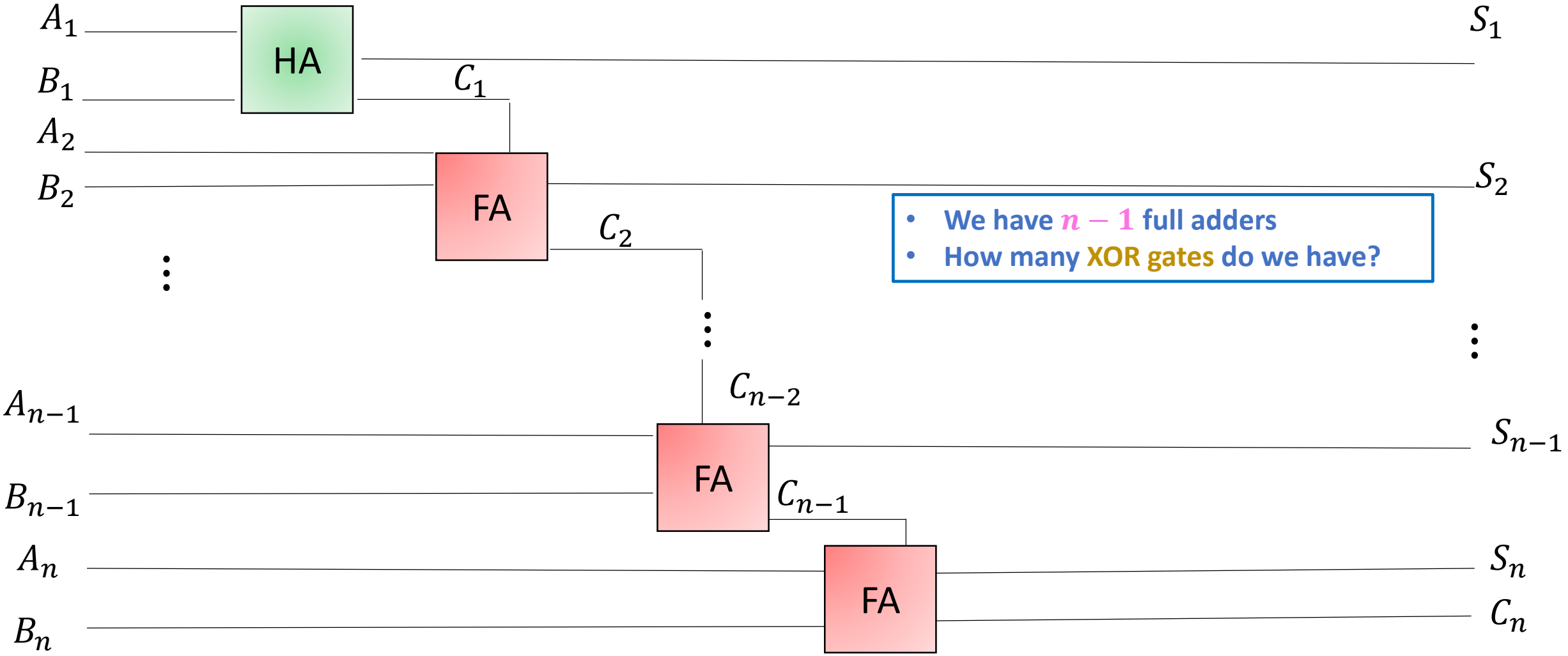


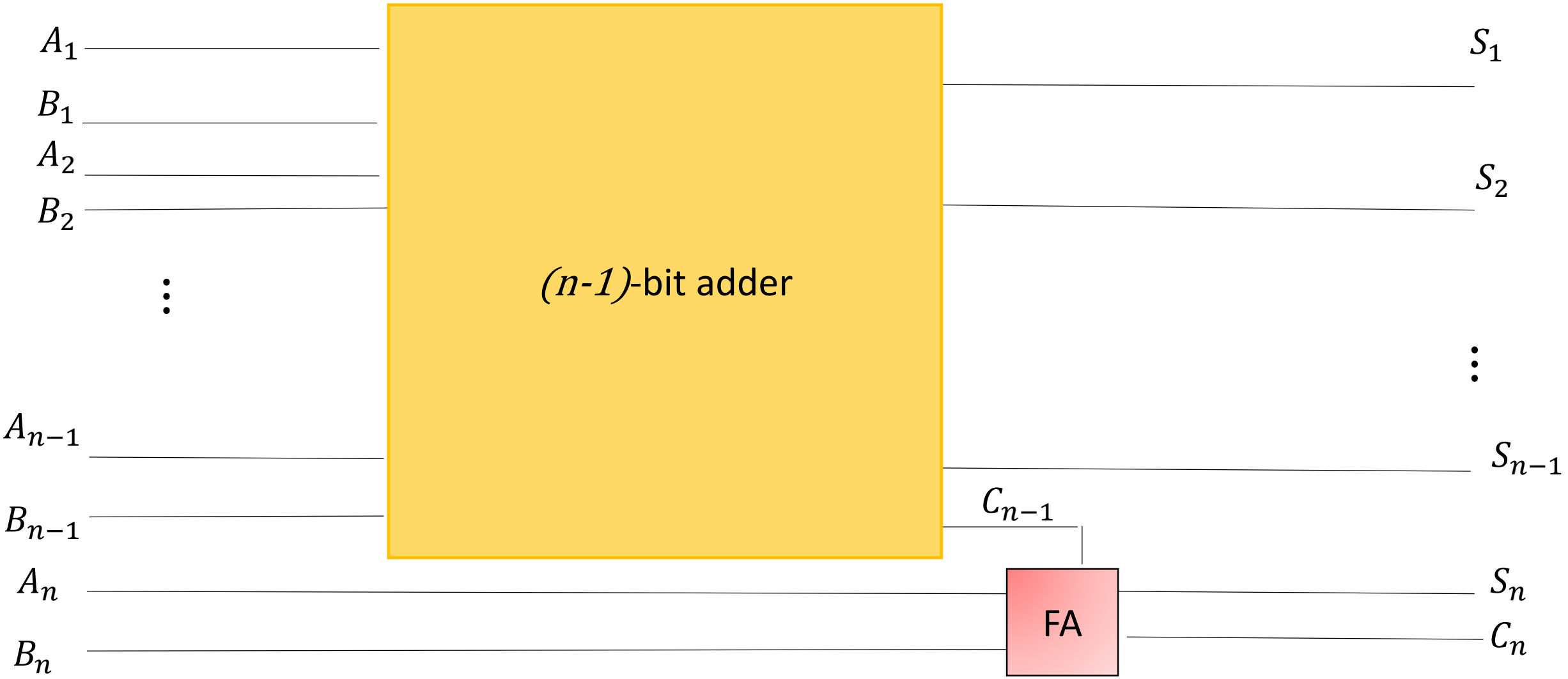
Constructing a 3-bit adder (neat)

Constructing an n-bit adder (messy)



- We have $n - 1$ full adders
- How many XOR gates do we have?

Constructing an n-bit adder (neat)



Other numeric functions

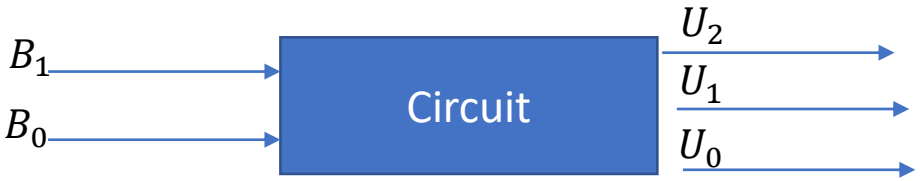
- Addition (have done)
- Multiplication
- Division
- Primality test (test whether a number is prime)

- There are circuits for all of these!
  - Computers actually work this way at the base level: they consist of gates.

Fun exercise

- Input: number in **binary**
- Output: ??? (you will tell me later)

B_1	B_0	U_2	U_1	U_0
0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	1



First micro-circuit

B_1	B_0	U_2	U_1	U_0
0	0	0	0	0
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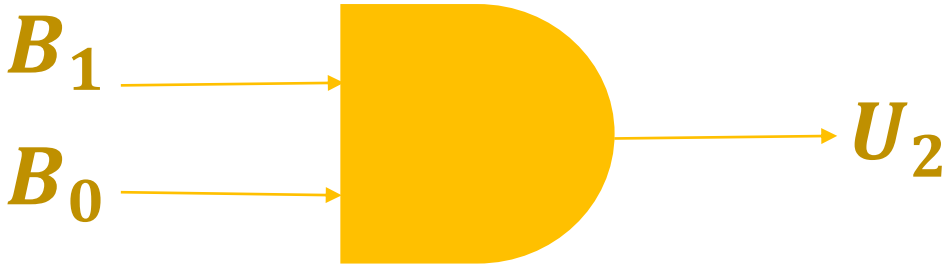
$$U_2 = B_1 \wedge B_0$$



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$$U_1 = (B_1 \wedge \sim B_0) \vee (B_1 \wedge B_0)$$

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$$U_1 = (B_1 \wedge \sim B_0) \vee (B_1 \wedge B_0) = B_1$$

(from distributive law of conjunction over disjunction!)

$$B_1 \longrightarrow U_1$$

Third micro-circuit

B_1	B_0	U_2	U_1	U_0
0	0	0	0	0
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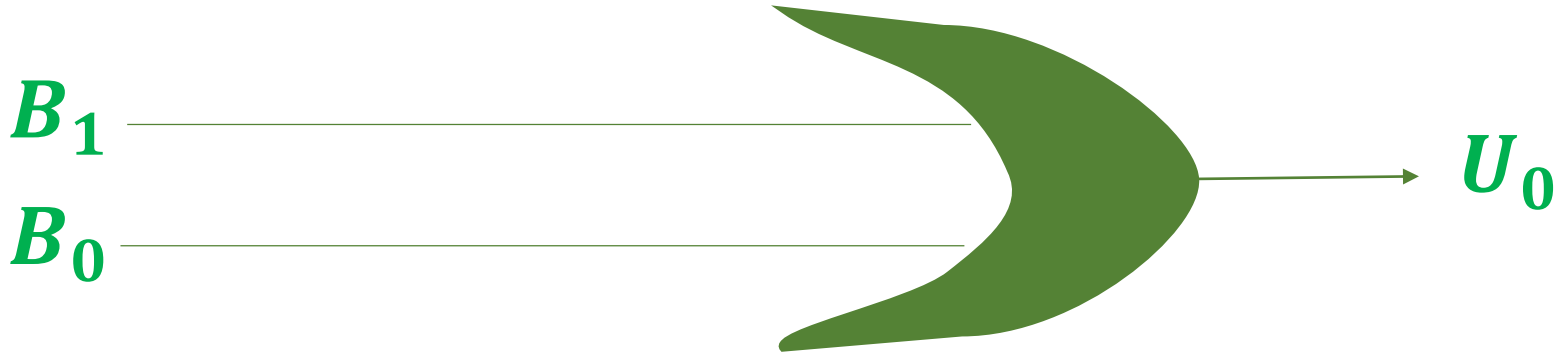

Final circuit

B_1	B_0	U_2	U_1	U_0
0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1
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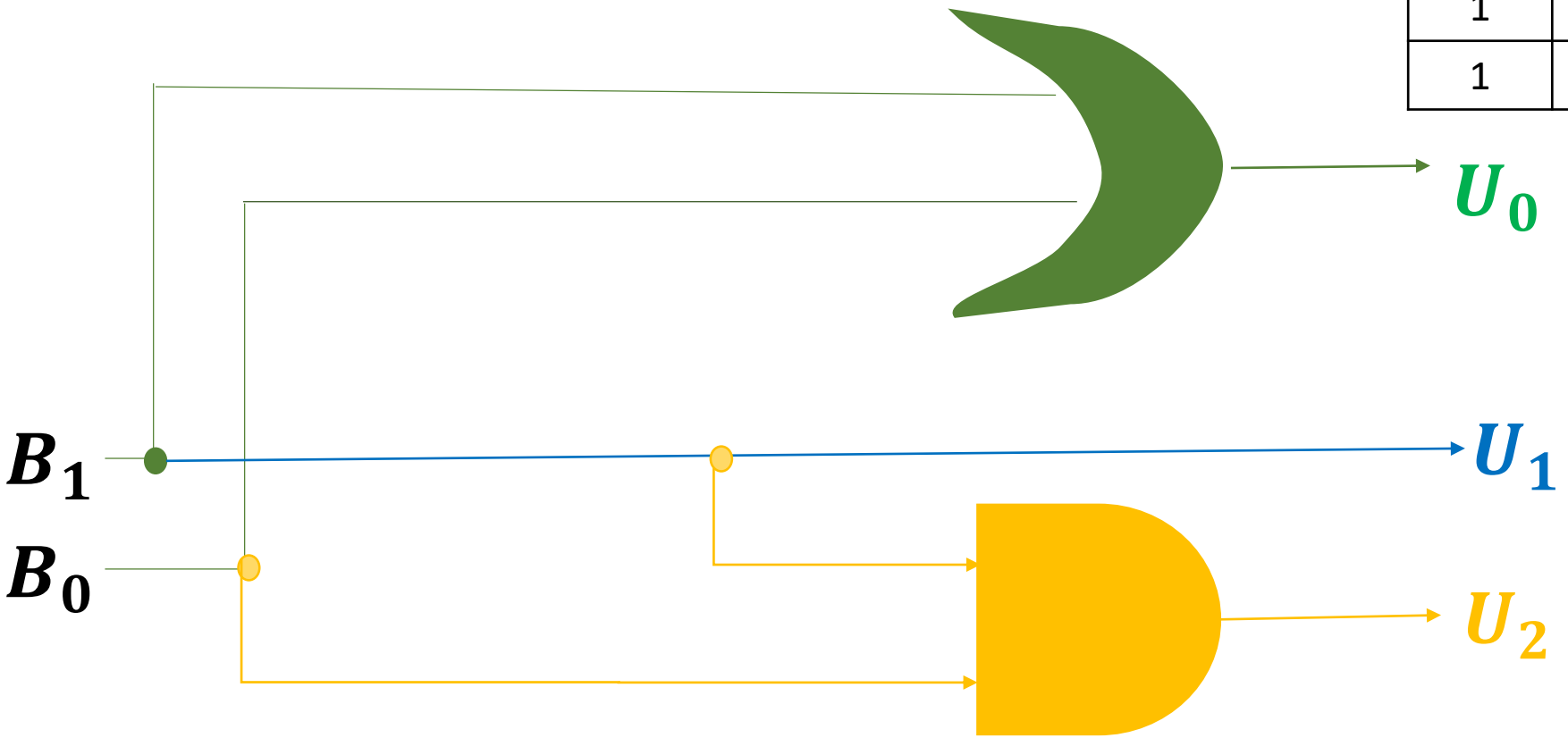

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