FPGA Carry Chain Adder (1A)

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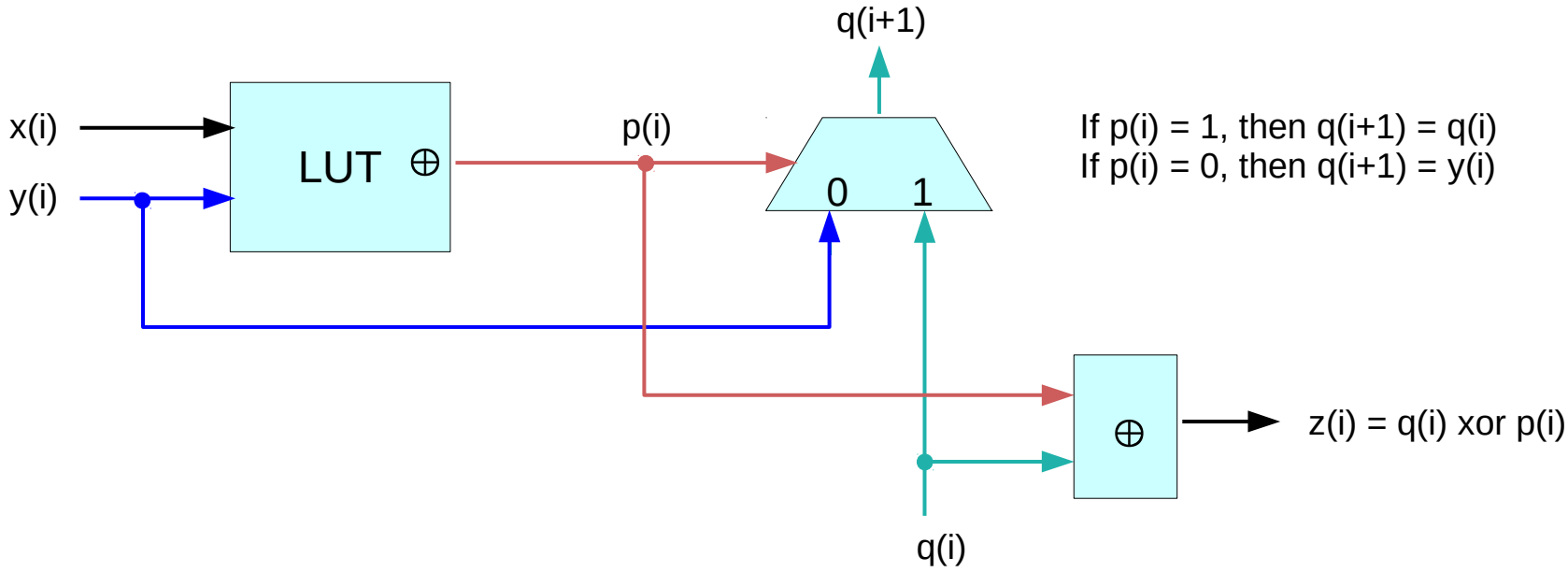

$$s_i = (a_i \oplus b_i) \oplus c_i = p_i \oplus c_i$$

$$c_{i+1} = (a_i \cdot b_i) + (a_i \oplus b_i) c_i = \overline{p_i} \cdot g_i + p_i \cdot c_i = \overline{p_i} \cdot a_i + p_i \cdot c_i = \overline{p_i} \cdot b_i + p_i \cdot c_i$$

when $\overline{p_i} = 1$, *then* $a_i = b_i$

when $g_i = 1$, *then* $a_i = b_i = 1$

p(i)	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

g(i)	0	1
0	0	0
1	0	1

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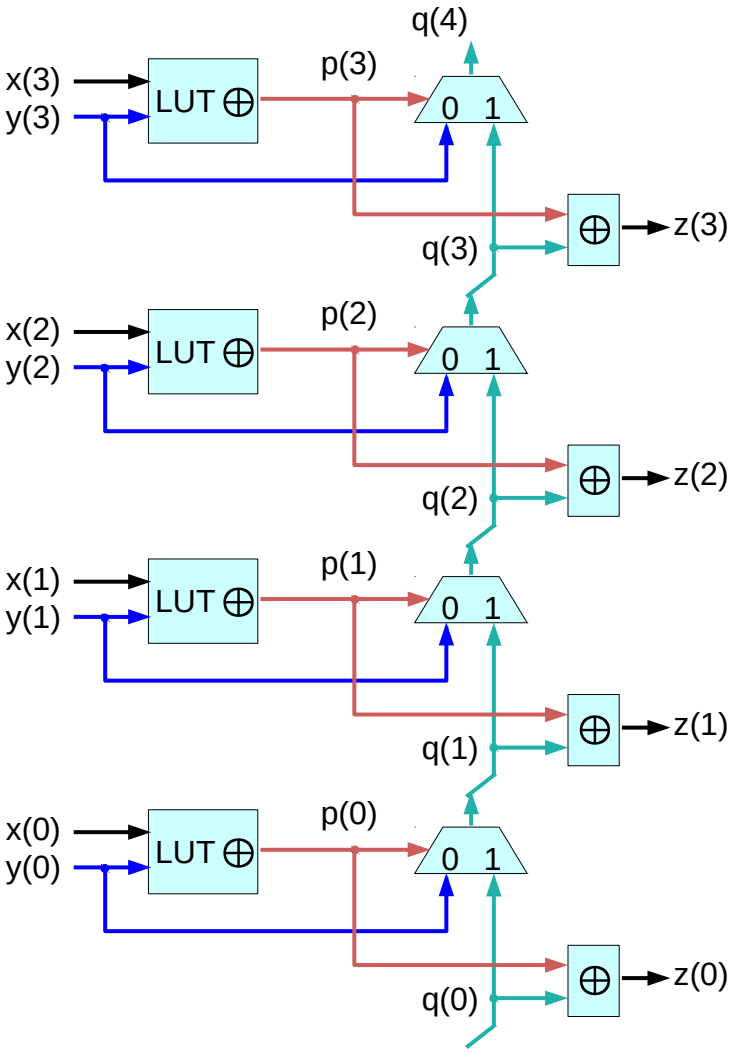

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FPGAs generally contain dedicated computation resources
for generating fast adders

The Virtex family programmable arrays include
logic gates (**XOR**) and **multiplexers** that along with the
general purpose **lookup tables** allow one to build effective carry-chain adders

The carry chain is made up of multiplexers
belonging to adjacent configurable blocks

the lookup table is used for implementing the exclusive or function

p(i) = x(i) xor y(i)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carry-lookahead_adder

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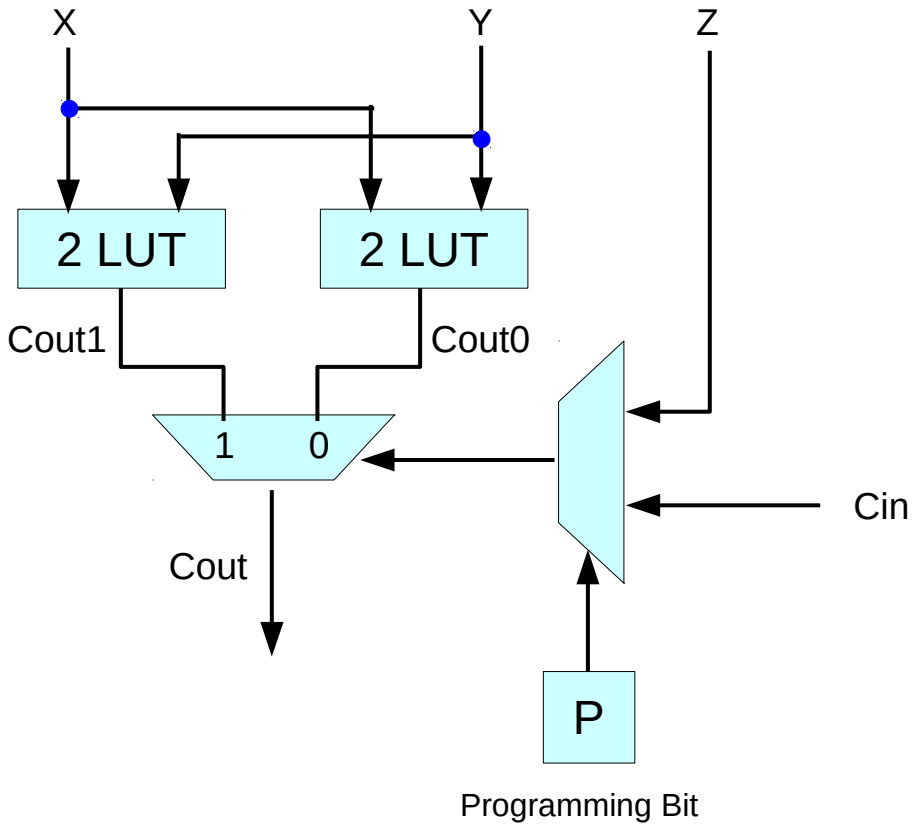

Cout1, Cout2 : functions of X, Y, Cin

Cout1 = X+Y when Cin=1
Cout0 = X Y when Cin=0

Cout = (X + Y) Cin + X Y $\overline{Cin}$

Cout = P' Cin + G $\overline{Cin}$ … P' = relaxed P

Cout1	Cout0	Cout	Name
0	0	0	Kill
0	1	$\overline{Cin}$	Inverse Propagate
1	0	Cin	Propagate
1	1	1	Generate

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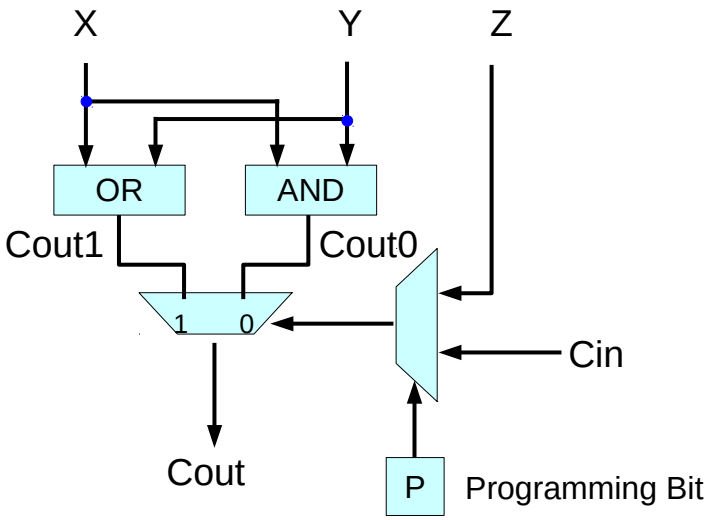

		Cin	$\overline{Cin}$	
X	Y	Cout1	Cout0	
0	0	0	0	$\overline{X}\ \overline{Y}$
0	1	1	0	$\overline{X}$ Y
1	0	1	0	X $\overline{Y}$
1	1	1	1	X Y

Cout : functions of X, Y, Cin

Cout(X, Y, 1) = Cout1 = X + Y
Cout(X, Y, 0) = Cout0 = X Y

Cout1 = X + Y when Cin=1
Cout0 = XY when Cin=0

Cout1 = P' Cin … P' = relaxed P
Cout0 = G $\overline{Cin}$

If Cin, then Cout = ($\overline{X}$ Y + X $\overline{Y}$ + X Y)
If $\overline{Cin}$, then Cout = X Y

Cin (X + Y) + $\overline{Cin}$ X Y
Cin ($\overline{X}$ Y + X $\overline{Y}$ + X Y) + $\overline{Cin}$ X Y
Cin ($\overline{X}$ Y + X $\overline{Y}$) + (Cin + $\overline{Cin}$) X Y
P Cin + G

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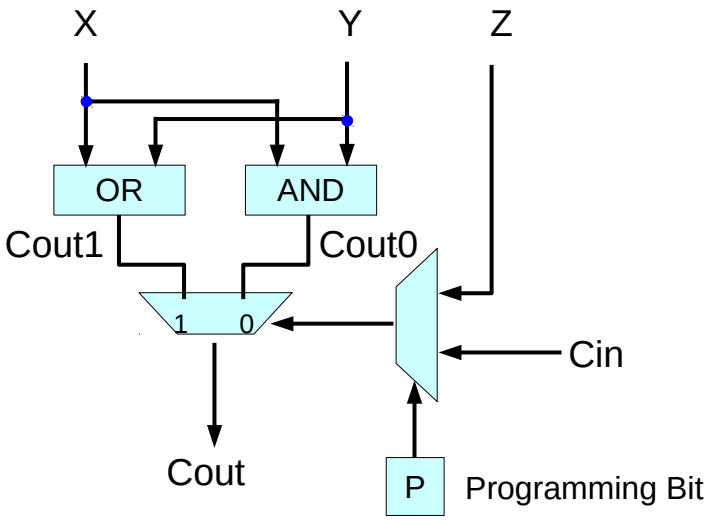

X	Y	Cin Cout1	$\overline{Cin}$ Cout0	
0	0	0	0	$\overline{X}\ \overline{Y}$
0	1	1	0	$\overline{X}\ Y$
1	0	1	0	$X\ \overline{Y}$
1	1	1	1	$X\ Y$

X	Y	Cin	Cout	
0	0	0	0	Cout0
0	1	0	0	Cout0
1	0	0	0	Cout0
1	1	0	1	Cout0
0	0	1	0	Cout1
0	1	1	1	Cout1
1	0	1	1	Cout1
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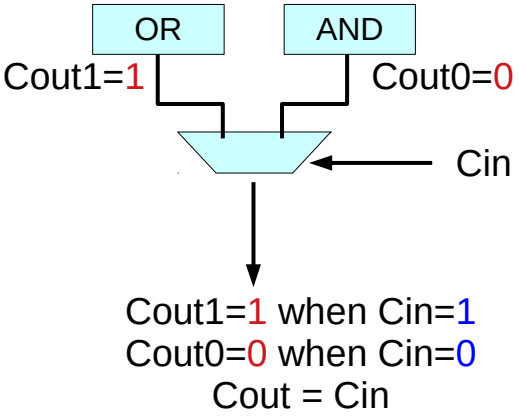

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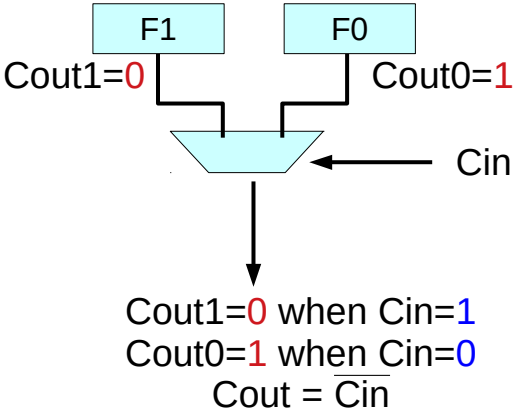

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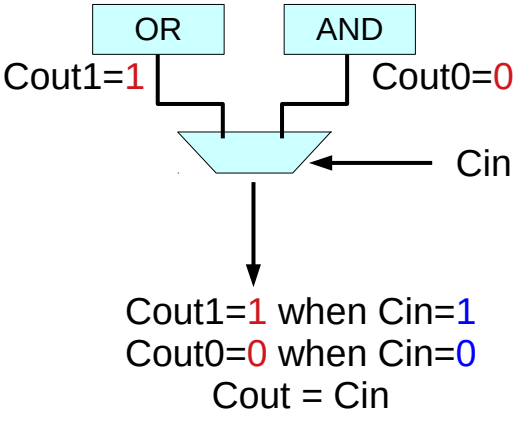

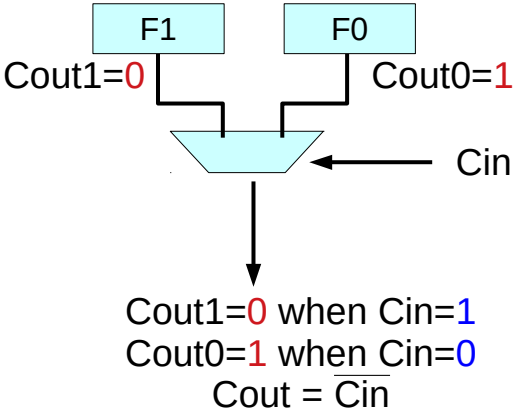

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X	Y	Cin	Cout		Cout1	Cout0
0	0	0	0	Cout0	0	0
0	1	0	0	Cout0	1	0
1	0	0	0	Cout0	1	0
1	1	0	1	Cout0	1	1
0	0	1	0	Cout1	0	0
0	1	1	1	Cout1	1	0
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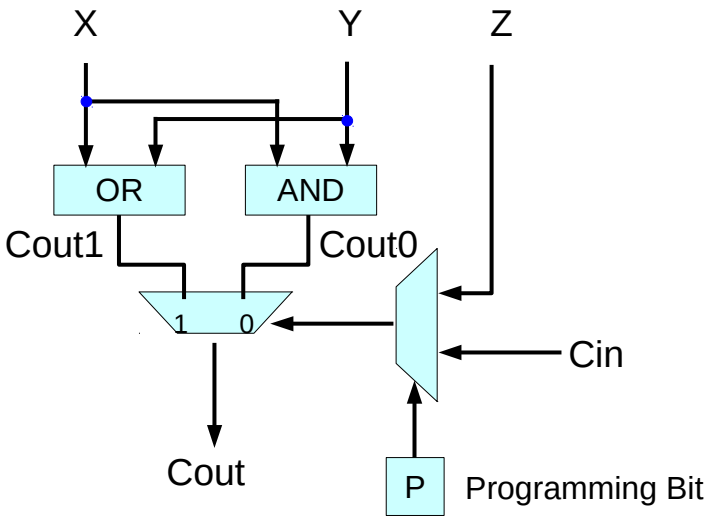
Carry Chain



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1	0	1	0	$X\ \overline{Y}$
1	1	1	1	$X\ Y$

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Carry Out

X	Y	Cin	
0	0	Cin	Cin
0	1	Cin	$\overline{Cin}$
1	0	Cin	$\overline{Cin}$
1	1	Cin	Cin

Cout1=1 when Cin=1
Cout0=0 when Cin=0
Cout = Cin propagate

Cout1=0 when Cin=1
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Cout = $\overline{Cin}$ inverse propagate

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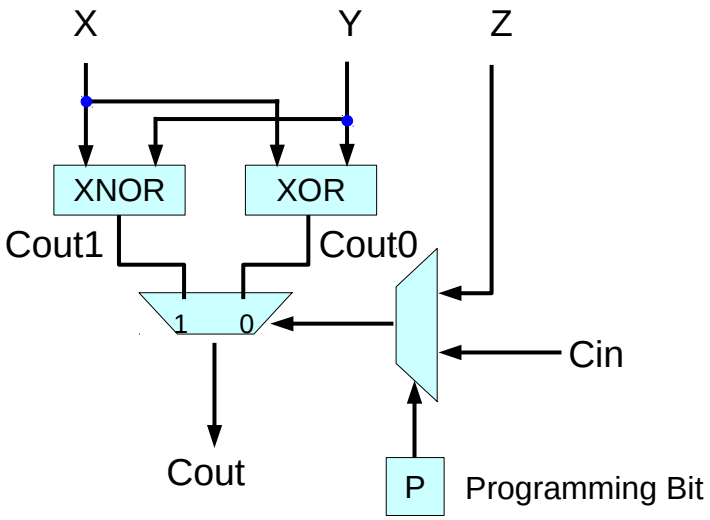
Parity Checker



		Cin	$\overline{Cin}$	
X	Y	Cout1	Cout0	
0	0	1	0	$\overline{X}\ \overline{Y}$
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1	0	0	1	$X\ \overline{Y}$
1	1	1	0	$X\ Y$

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Computing Parity	
X ⊕ Y ⊕ Cin	
0 ⊕ 0 ⊕ Cin	Cin
0 ⊕ 1 ⊕ Cin	$\overline{Cin}$
1 ⊕ 0 ⊕ Cin	$\overline{Cin}$
1 ⊕ 1 ⊕ Cin	Cin

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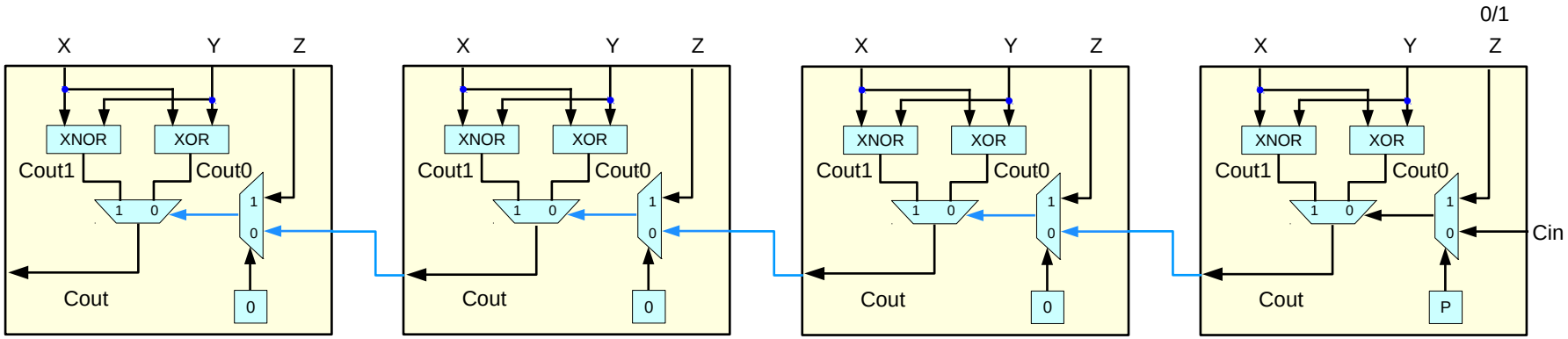
Ripple Carry Chain



the **first cell** in the chain

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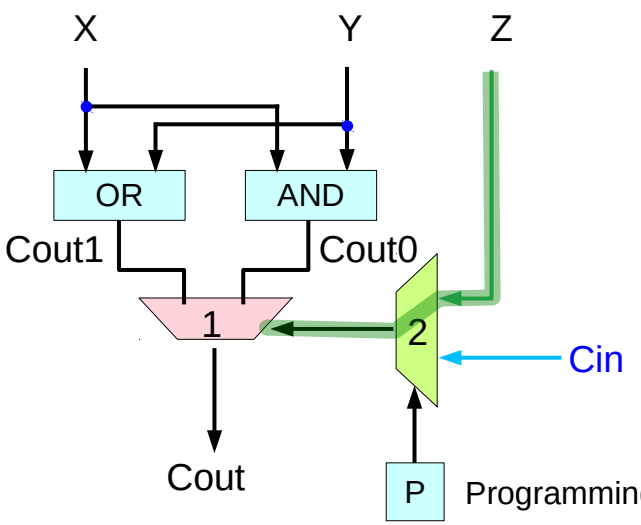

when Cin is ignored,
Z is routed to mux1

- used in combined adder/subtractors
- must be ignored, otherwise

the logic cells - resources to compute a function
the exact location of logic cells depends on the user.
a user can start or end a carry computation
at any place in an fpga.

But in many carry computations,
the first cell has only 2 inputs,
and forcing the carry chain
to wait for the arrival of an additional,
unnecessary input Z will only needlessly
slow down the circuit's computation.

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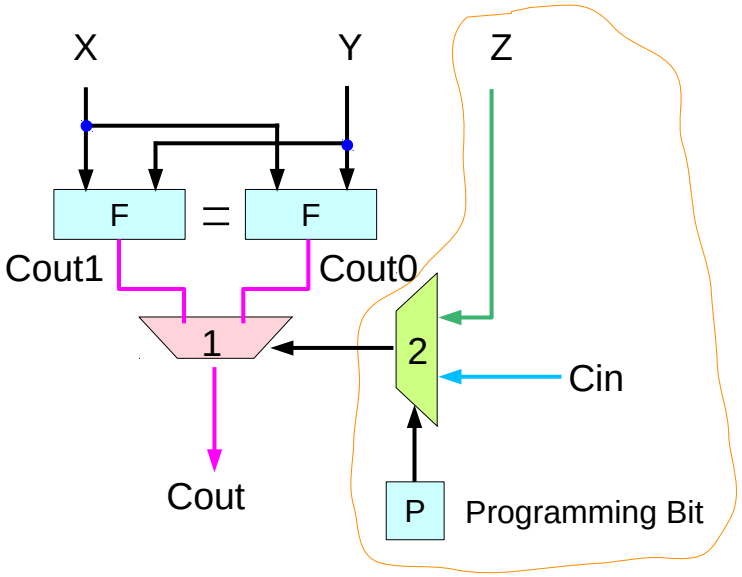
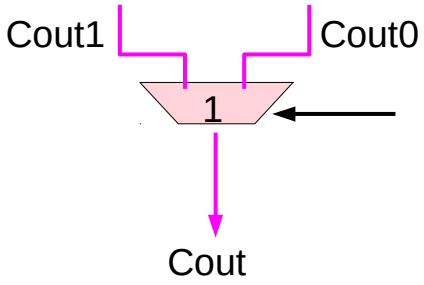


when Cin is ignored,
Z can also be ignored
by having the same LUTs



the **first cell** in the chain

the same LUTs

the same output
regardless of Z and Cin

Cout1 = Cout0 = Cout
regardless of the select

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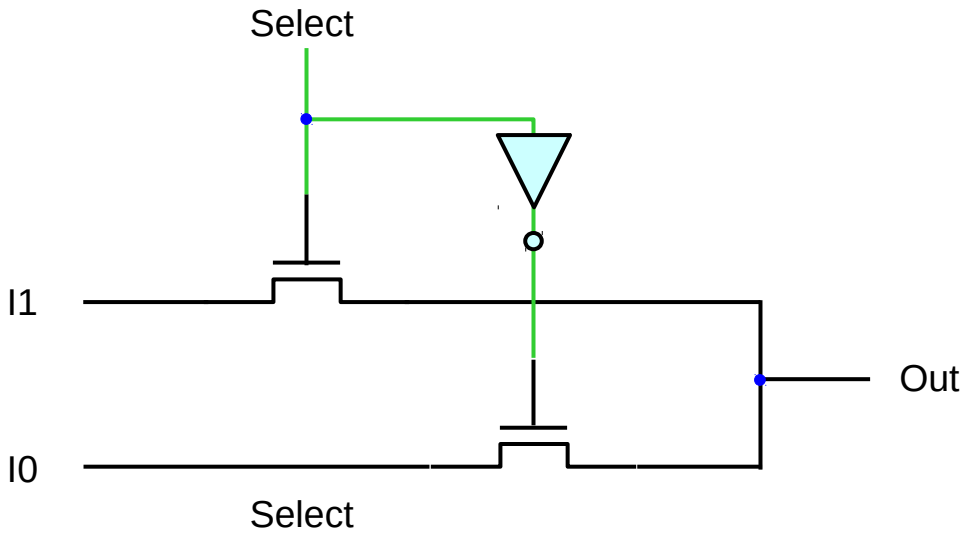

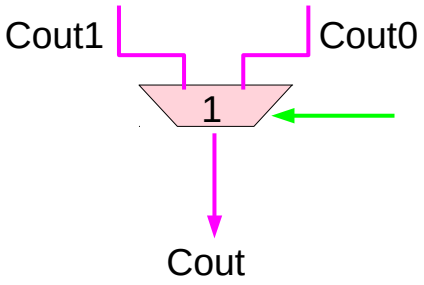

fig1b shows an implementation of a mux that does not obey this requirement

since the carry chain is part of an fpga,
the input to this mux could be connected to some unused logic in another row which is generating unknown values.

if that unused logic had multiple transitions which caused the signal to change quicker than the gate could react,
then it is possible that **the select signal** to this mux could be stuck midway between true and false (2.5V for 5V CMOS)

in this case, it will not be able to pass a true value from the input to the output
and thus will not function properly for this application.

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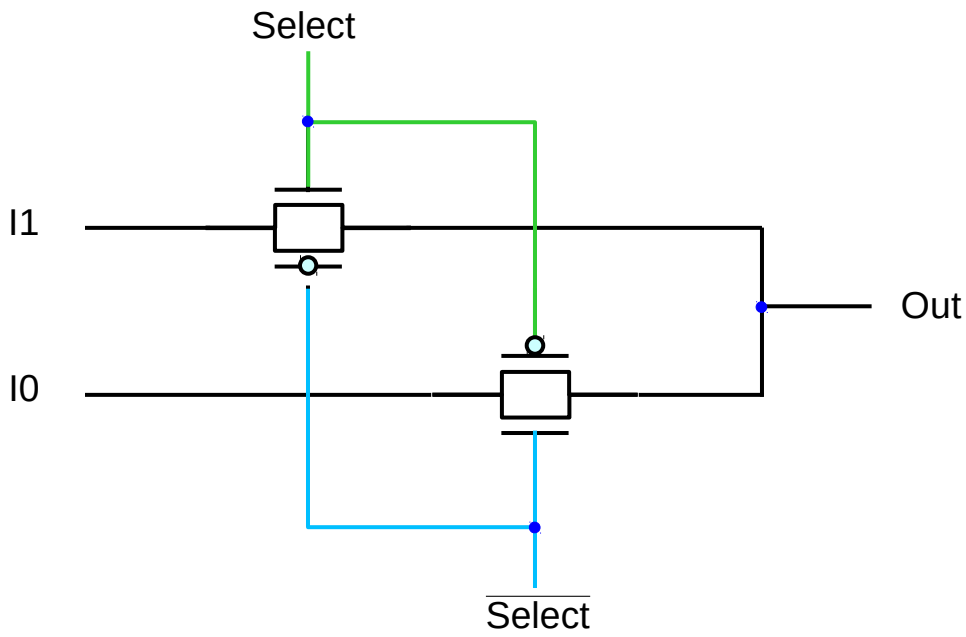

however a mux built with
both n-transistor and p-transistor pass gates
will operate properly for this case

assume this mux implementation will be used

tristate driver based muxes could be used,
which restore signal drive and cut series RC chains

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Unit Gate Delay Model

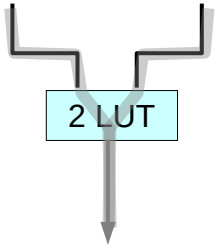
All simple gate of two or three inputs
that are directly implementable
in one logic level in CMOS
are considered to have a delay of one.

All other gate must be implemented by such gates,
and have the delay of the underlying circuit.

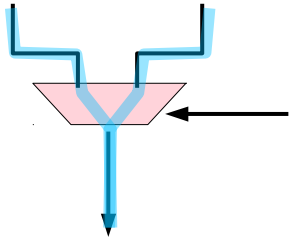
Delay of one
- inverters and
- 2 to 3 input NAND
- 2 to 3 input NOR gates

A 2:1 mux has a delay of one
from the I0 or I1 inputs to the output,
But has a delay of two
from the select input to the output
due to the Inverter delay

Delay of zero (constant delay)
- the delay of the 2-LUTs,
- any routing leading to them,



Delay of **0**



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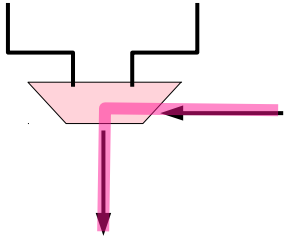

Delay of **2**

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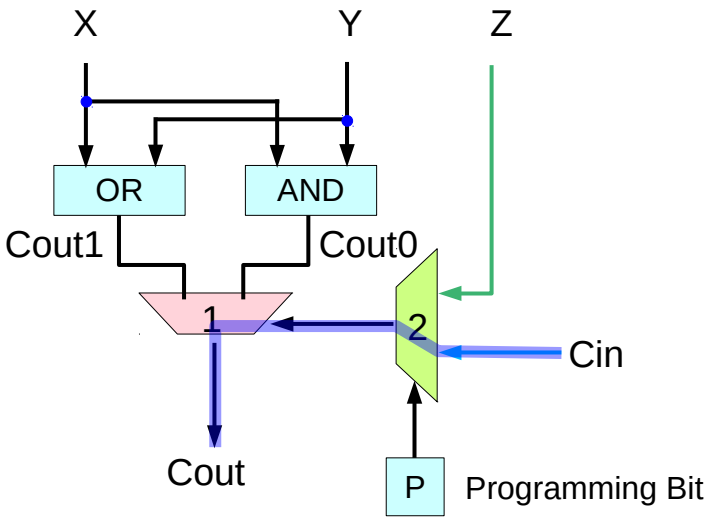
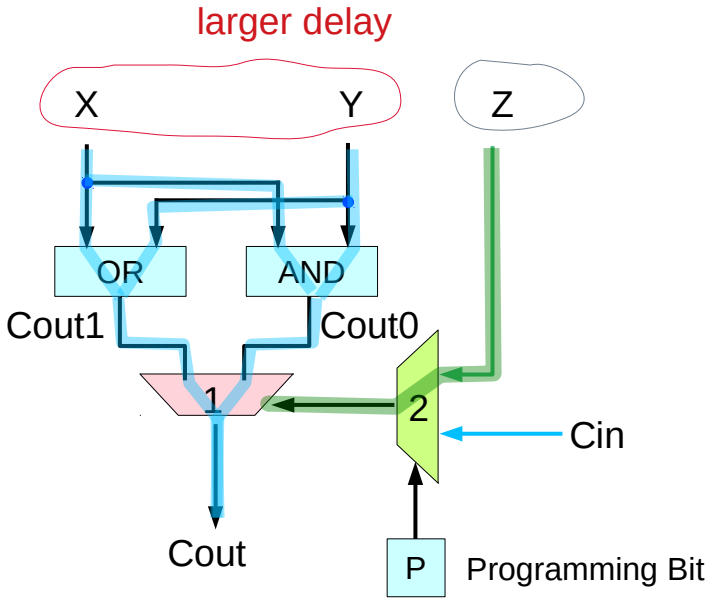


Delay 3



Delay 1

Significantly slower
two muxes on the carry chain in each cell

Delay 1 for first cell
Delay 3 for each additional cell in the carry chain
delay 1 for mux2
delays 2 for mux1

Overall 3n-2 for an n-cell carry chain

The critical path comes from the 2-LUTs
and not from the input Z
since the delay through the 2-LUTs
will be larger than through mux 2 in the first cell

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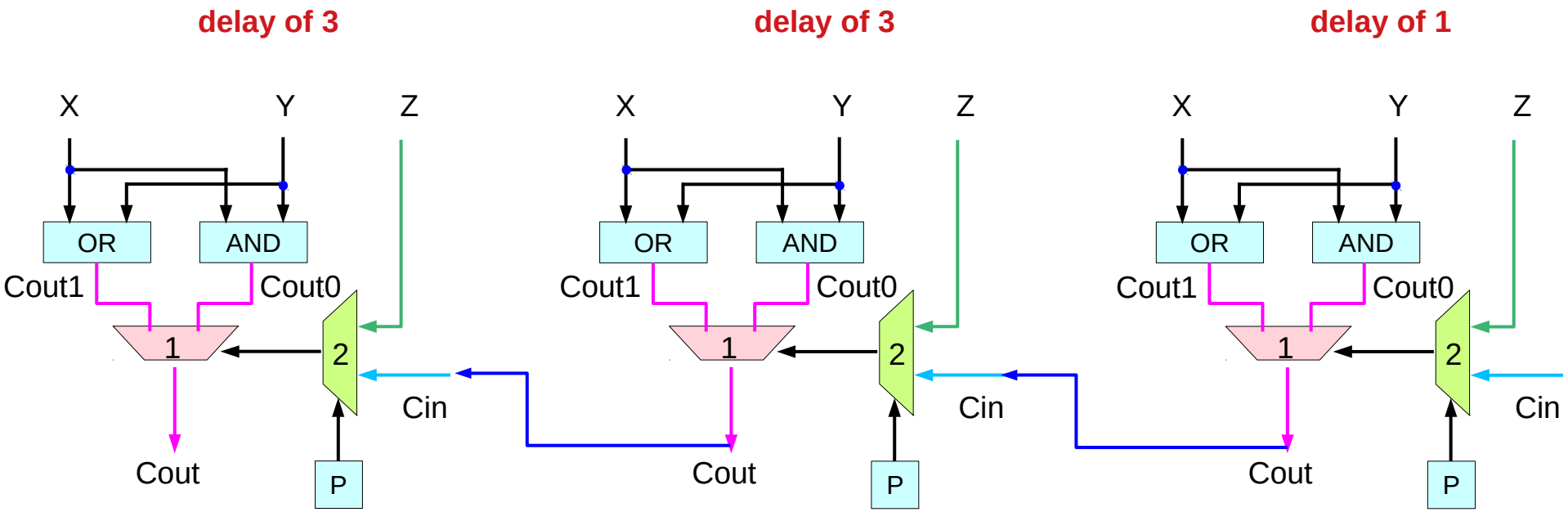

delay of 3n-2 for an n-bit ripple carry chain

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the linear delay growth of ripple carry adders

optimize a ripple carry chain structure for use in FPGAs

while this provides some performance gain
over the basis ripple carry scheme
found in many current FPGAs,

still much slower than what is done in custom logic

advanced adder techniques in custom logic
can be integrated into reconfigurable logic

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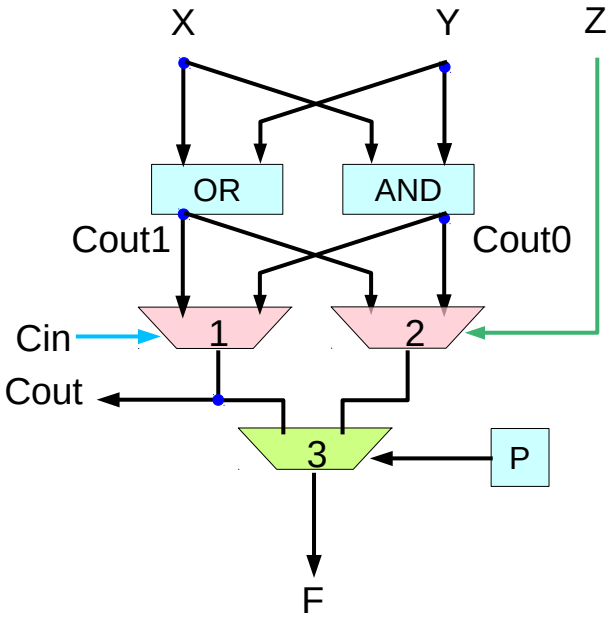
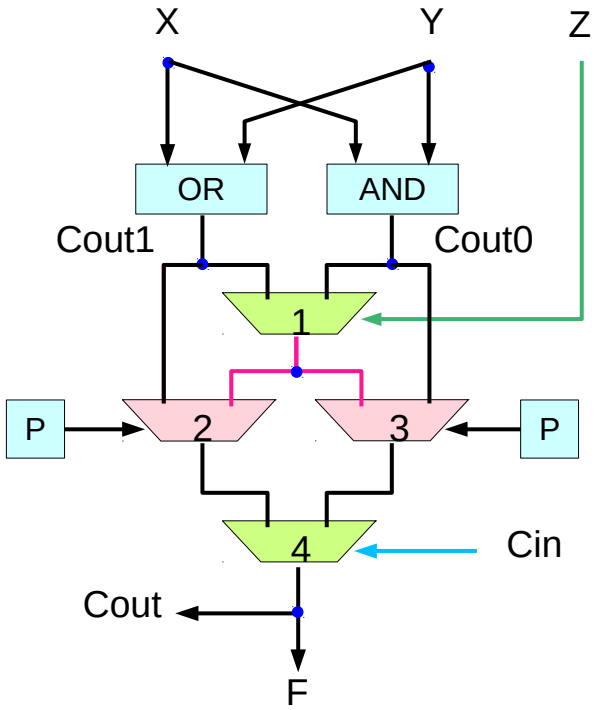
Design A

2n / 2n+2



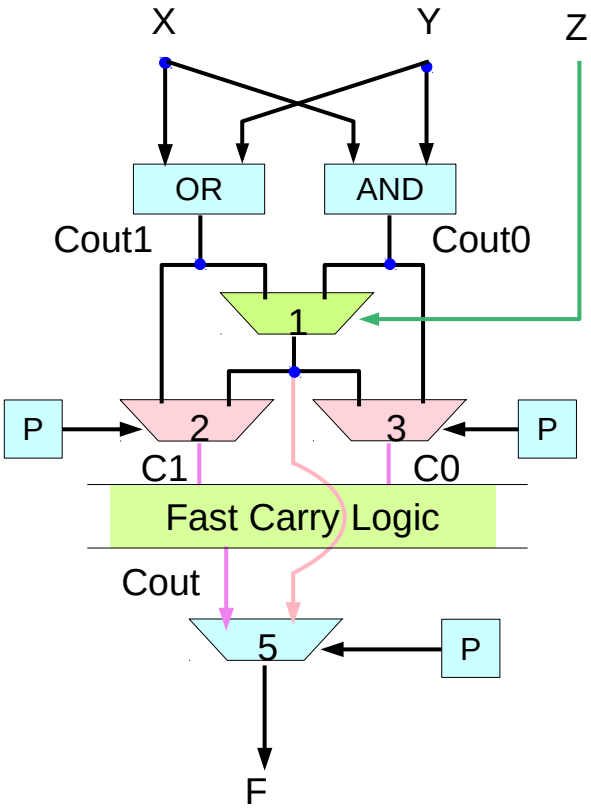
Design B

2n / 2n+1



Design C

2n+2



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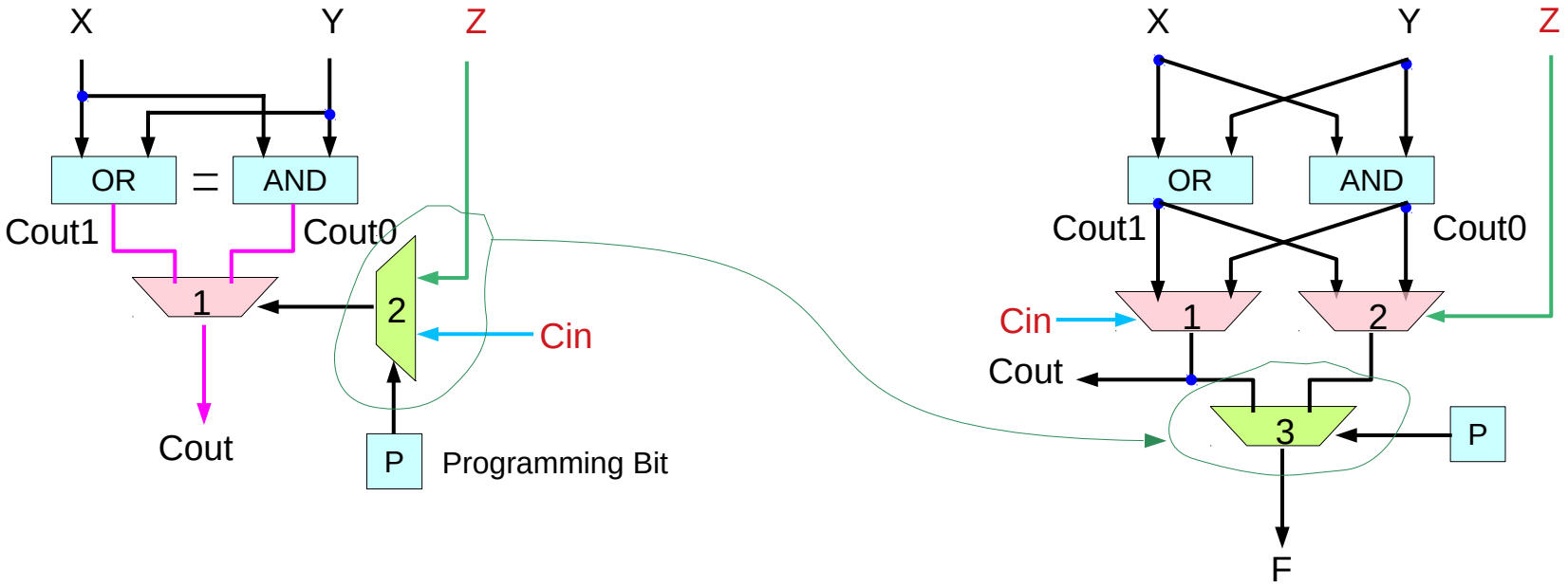
Design A (1)

to reduce the delay of the ripple carry chain
- remove mux2 from the carry path.
- no need to choose between Cin and Z for the select line to the output mux1

- two separate muxes, mux1 and mux2, controlled by Cin and Z, respectively.
- the circuit chooses between these outputs with mux3.



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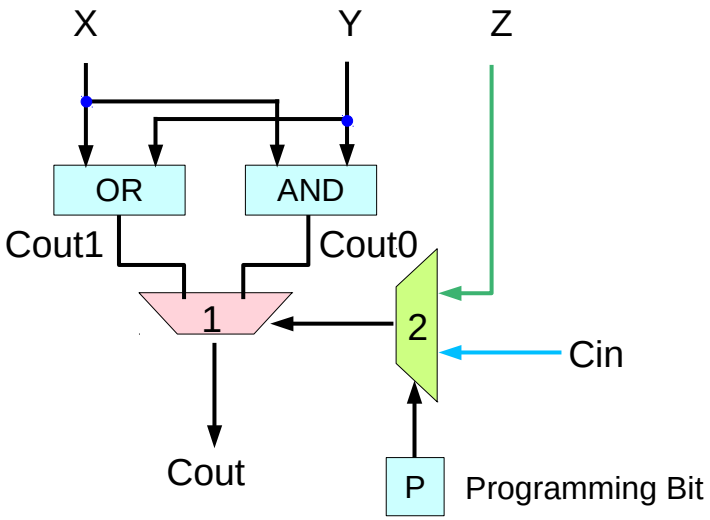

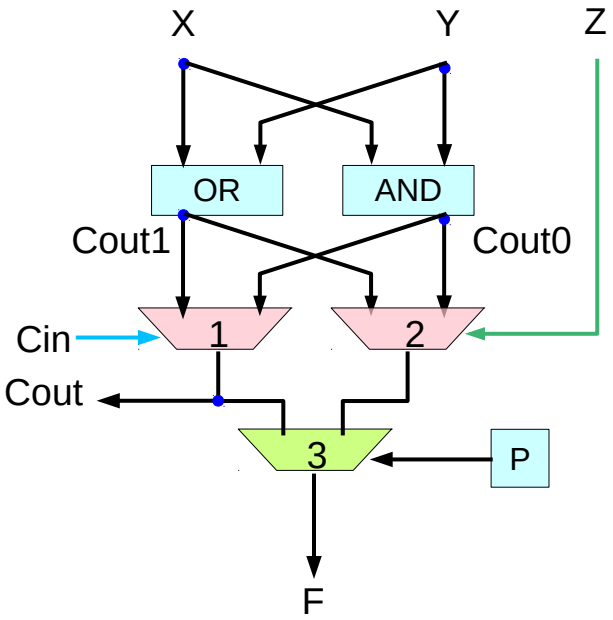

- not logically equivalent
- the Z input in the first cell cannot be used
  - Z is only attached to mux2
  - mux2 does not lead to the carry cells
  - not connected to Cout

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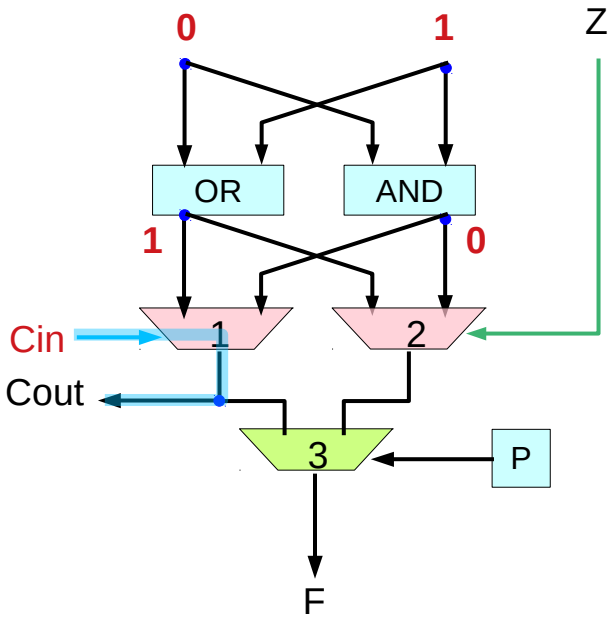
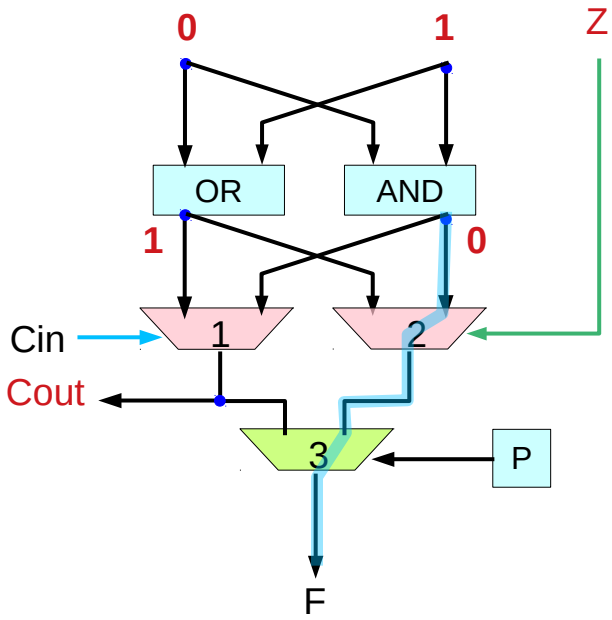
Design A (3)

delay of 2



an additional cell
for generating Cin

delay of 2



- need an additional cell to use Z as a carry input

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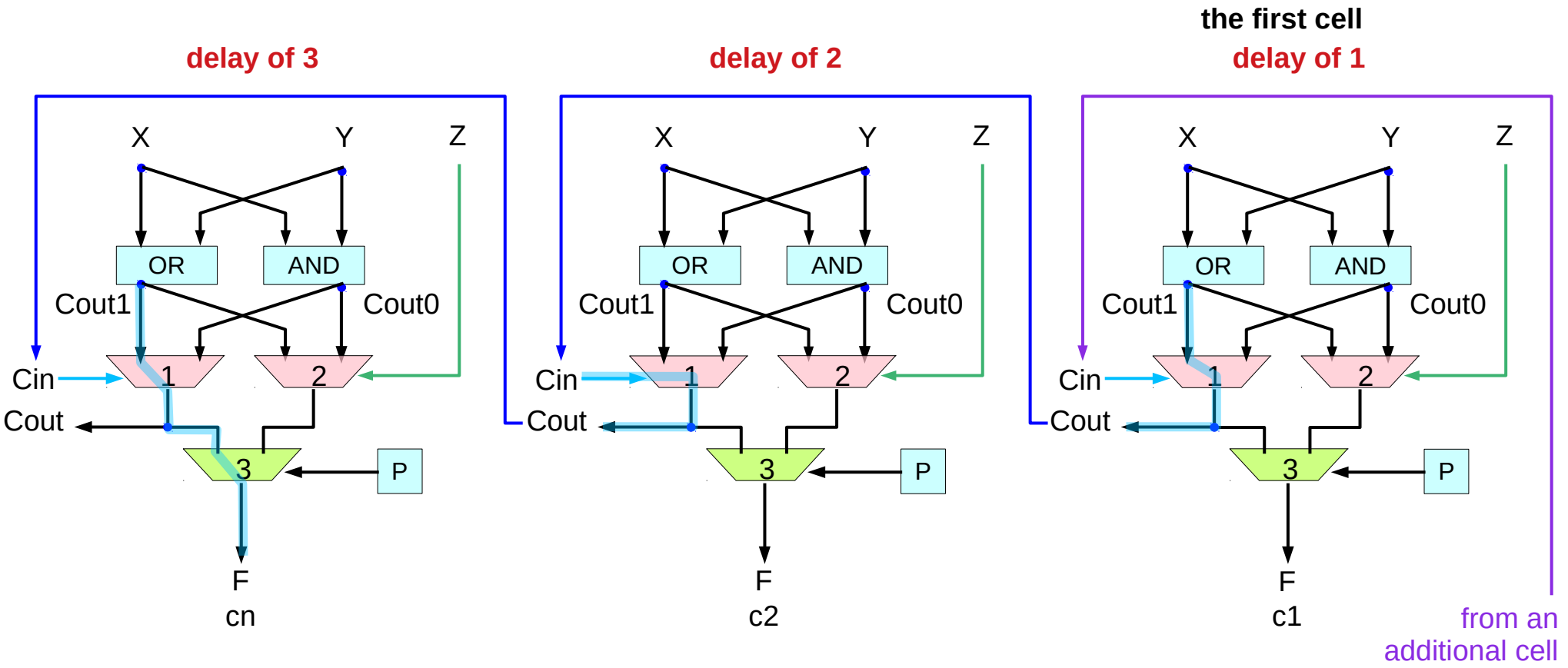
Design A (4)



(2 for mux1, 1 for mux3)

50% faster circuit that the original design

delay of 2n for an n-bit ripple carry chain

delay of 2(n+1)

without a carry input Z

with a carry input Z

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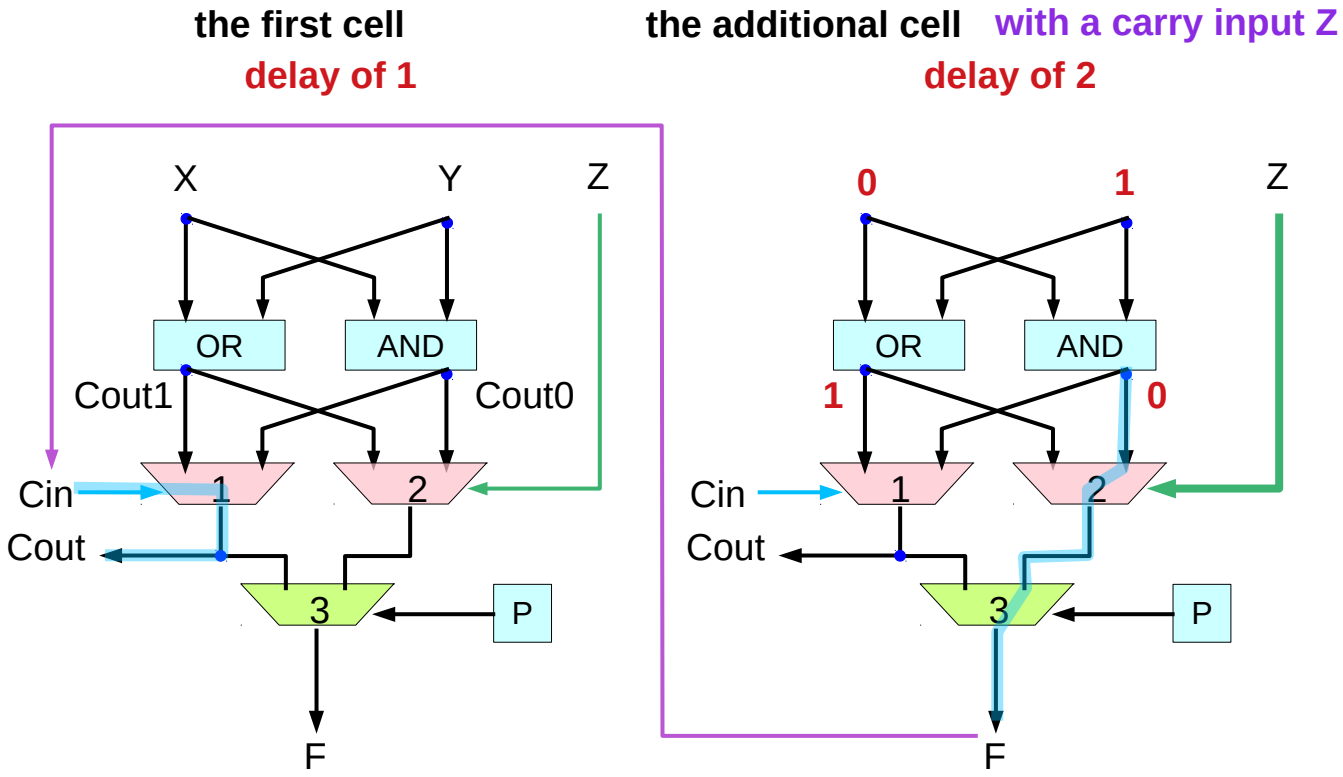
Design A (5)



delay of 2(n+1) for an n-bit ripple carry chain with a carry input

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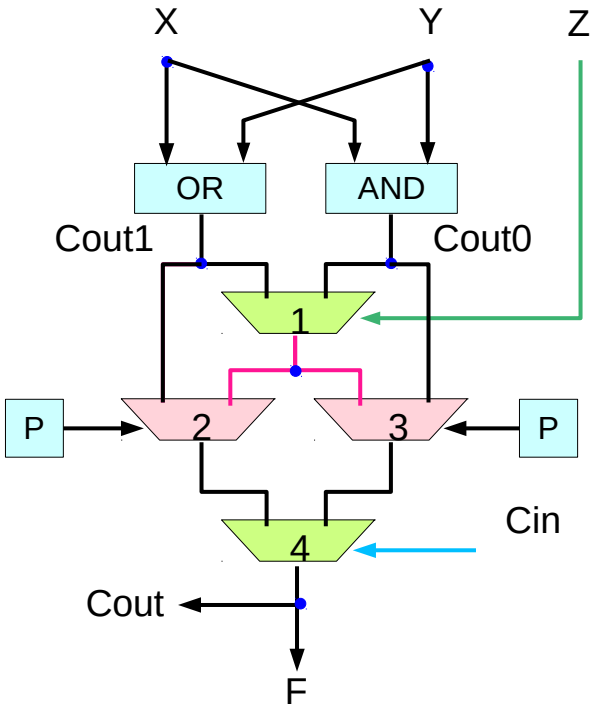
Design B (1)

although this design is 1 gate delay slower than that of fig 2a,
it provides the ability to have a carry input
to the first cell in a carry chain,
something that is important in many computations.

Also, for carry computations that do not need this feature,
without a carry input
the first cell in a carry chain built from fig 2b
can be configured to bypass mux1,
reducing the overall delay to 2n,
which is identical to that of fig2a.



(2 for mux1, 1 for mux3)

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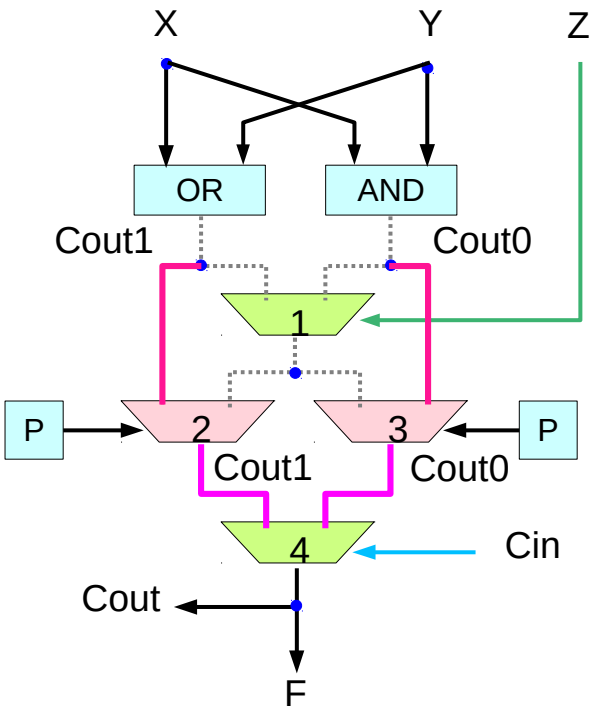
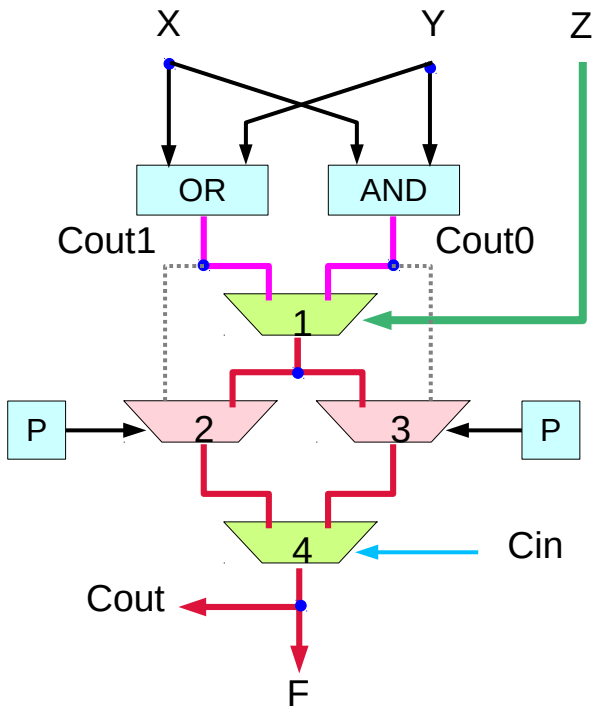
Design B (2)

the other cells



for cells in the middle of a carry chain
mux2 passes Cout1
mux3 passes Cout0
mux4 receives Cout1 and Cout0
provides a standard ripple carry path.

the first cell carry input



For the first cell in a carry chain
with a carry input (provided by input Z),
mux2 and mux3 both pass the value from mux1

the two main inputs to mux4 are identical
the output of mux4 (Cout) will be the same
as the output of mux1 (ignoring Cin)

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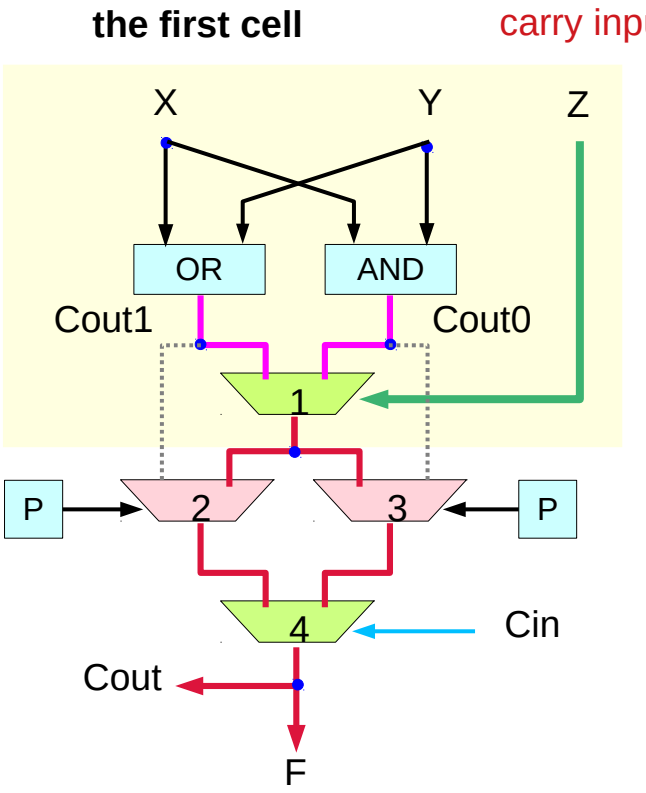
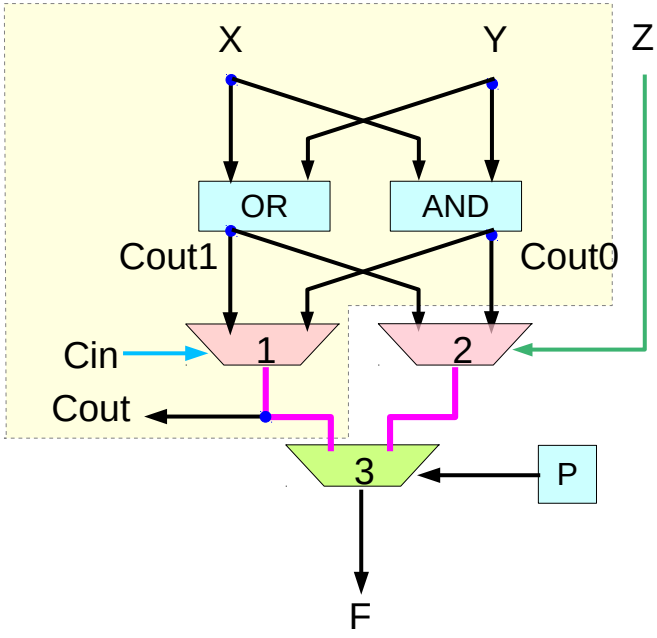
Design B (3)



mux1's main inputs are driven
by two 2-LUTs (OR, AND) controlled by X and Y
mux1 forms a **3-LUT** with the other 2-LUTs

When mux2 and mux3 pass the value from mux1
(Cout1 and Cout2 respectively)
the circuit is configured to continue the carry chain

Functionally equivalent



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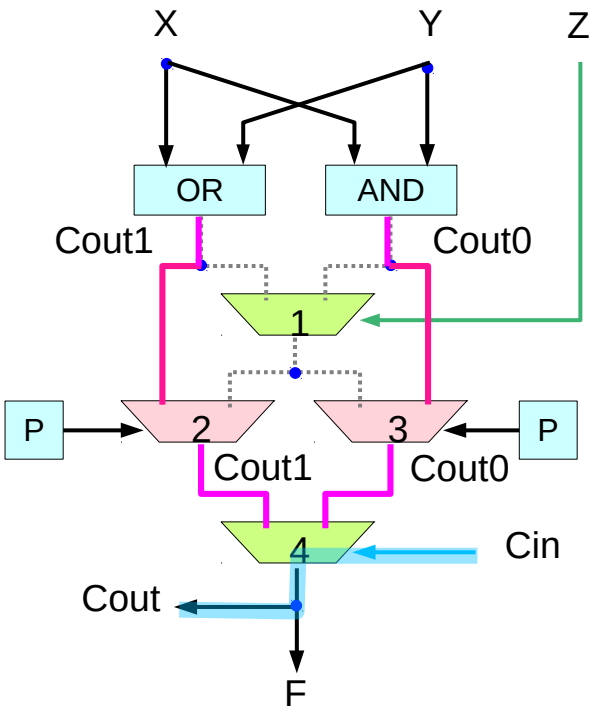
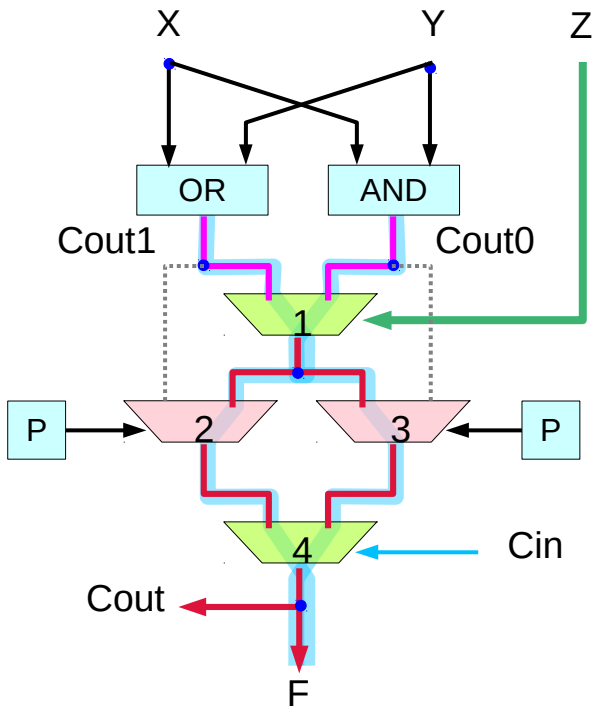
Design B (4)

delay of 2 **the other cells**



delay of 3 **the first cell** **with a carry input**



A delay of 2 in all other cells
except the first cell in the carry chain

an total delay of **2n+1** for an n-bit carry chain
when a carry input to the first cell is enabled

1 gate delay slower than that of fig 2a,

a delay of 3 in the first cell
1 in mux1, 1 in mux2, 1 in mux4

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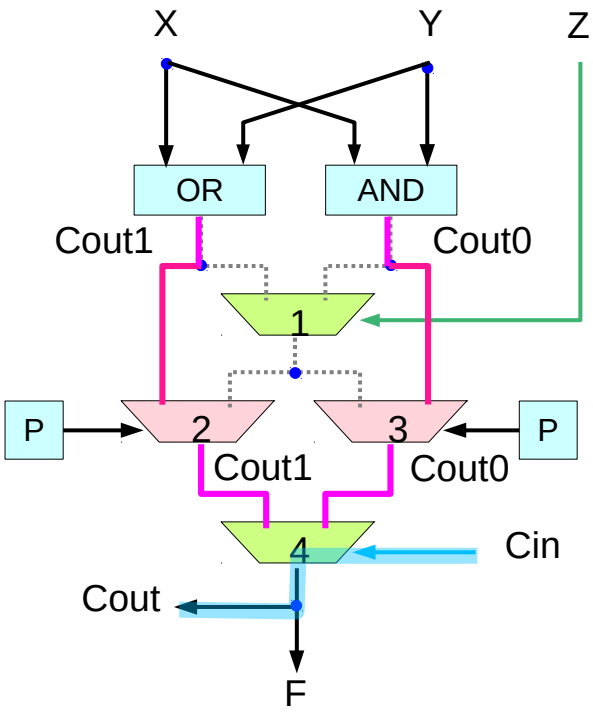
Design B (5)

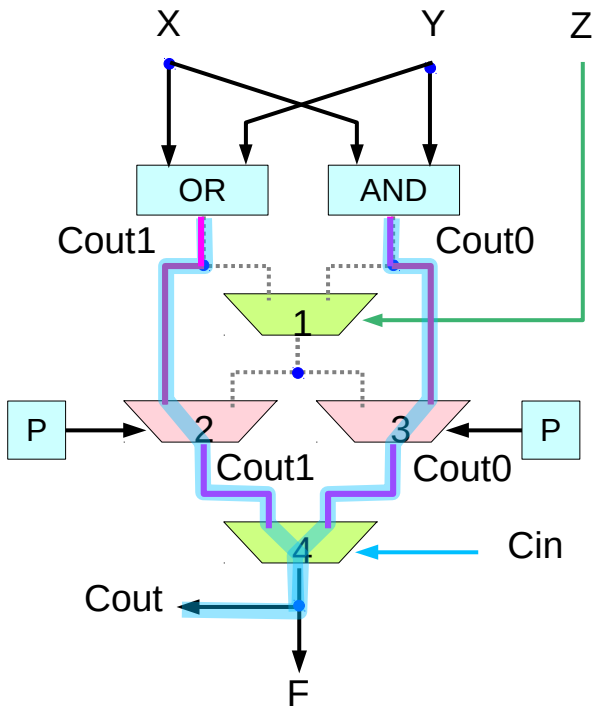
delay of 2 **the other cells**



A delay of 2 in all other cells
except the first cell in the carry chain

an total delay of **2n** for an n-bit carry chain
when a carry input to the first cell is disabled

delay of 2 **the first cell** **without a carry input**



a delay of 2 in the first cell
when a carry input is not used

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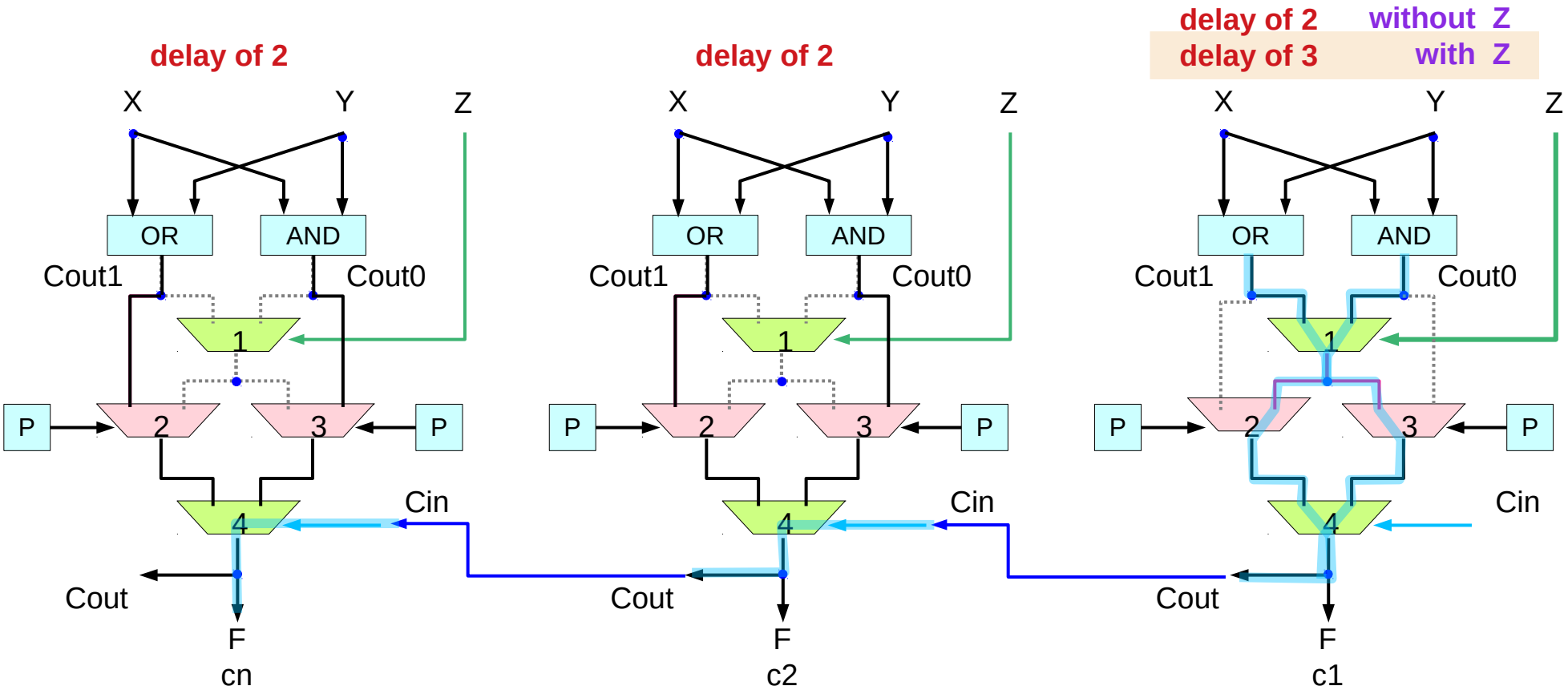
Design B (6)



delay of 2n for an n-bit ripple carry chain **without a carry input Z**

delay of 2n+1 **with a carry input Z**

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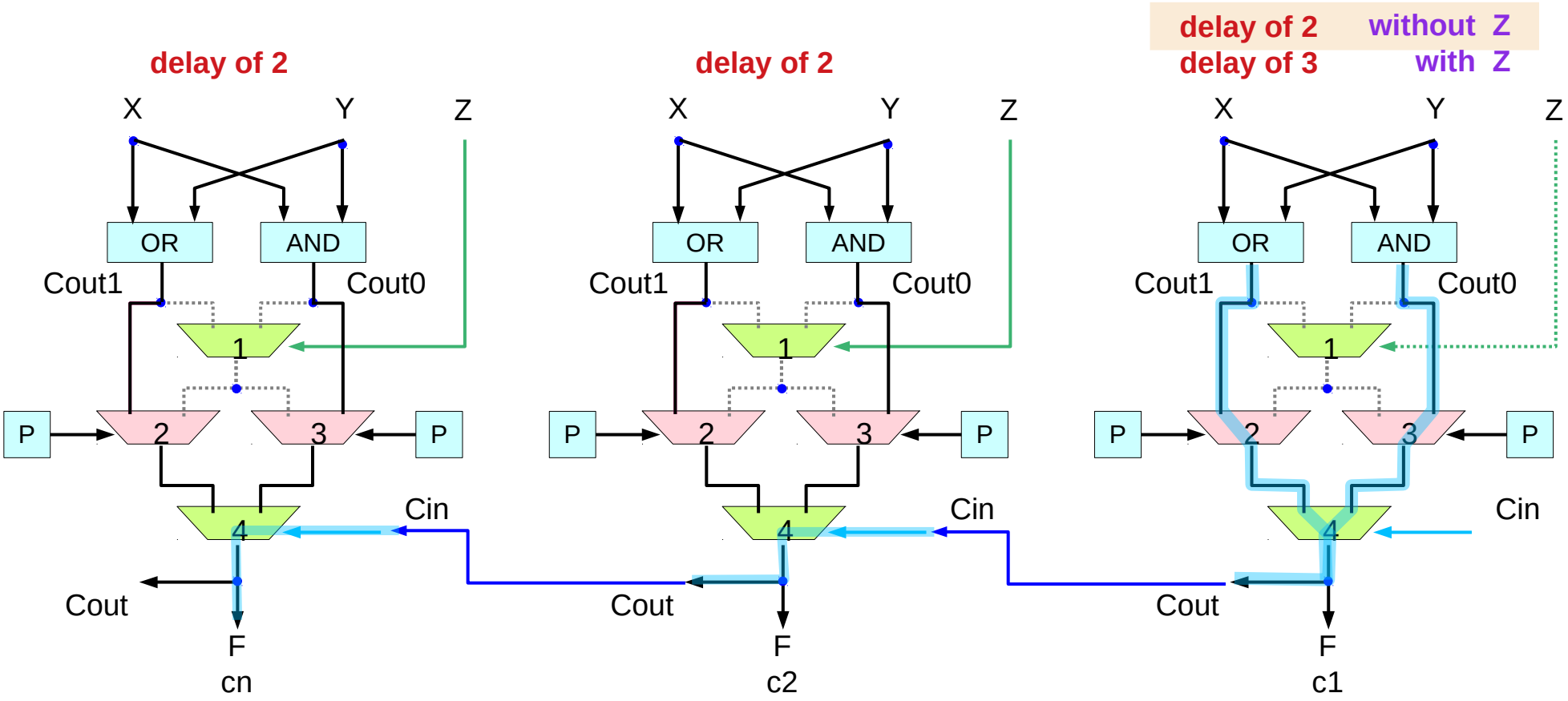
Design B (7)



delay of 2n for an n-bit ripple carry chain **without a carry input Z**

delay of 2n+1 **with a carry input Z**

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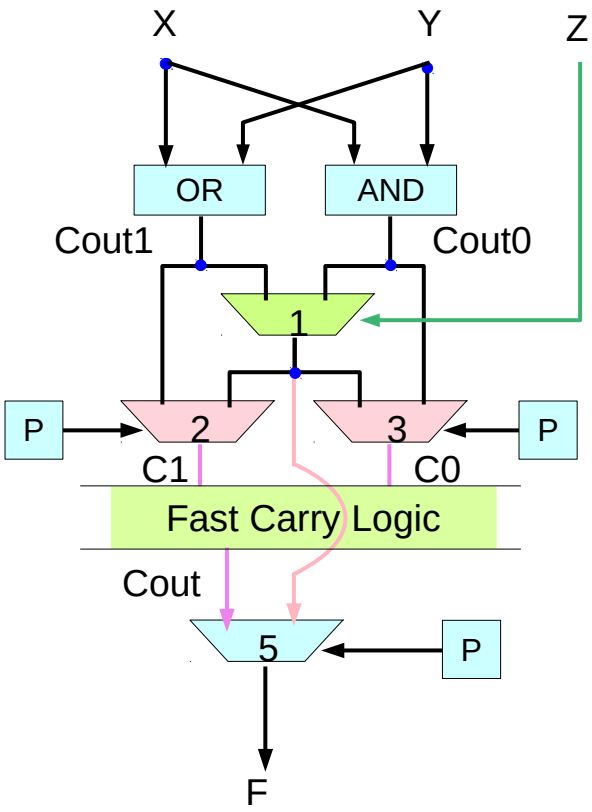
Design C (1)

the actual carry chain (mux4) in Design B has been replaced by
- an abstract fast carry logic unit
- mux5 has been added

to the abstract fast carry logic units, various high performance carry chains can be applied

mux5 is present because
- significant delay for non-carry computations
- much faster carry propagation for long carry chains

when used as a simple normal **3 LUT**, using inputs X, Y, and Z
mux5 allows us to bypass the carry chain by selecting the output of mux1



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Design C (2)

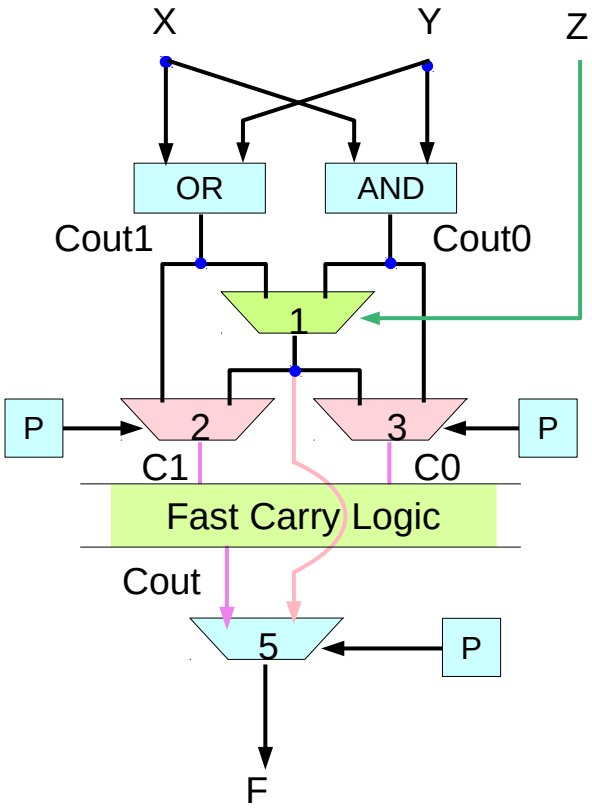
All the developed fast carry logic units in Design C
that can compute the following value,
can provide the functionality necessary
to support the needs of FPGA carry chain computations

$$Cout_i = (Cout_{i-1} \cdot C1_i) + (\overline{Cout_{i-1}} \cdot C0_i)$$

where *i* is the position of the cell within the carry chain,

thus, the fast carry logic unit can contain
any logic structure implementing this equation
(including Brent-Kung), Variable Bit, and Ripple Carry.

Note that because of the needs and requirements of
carry chains for FPGAs, new circuits are developed,
by utilizing the standard adder structures,
but which are more appropriate for FPGAs



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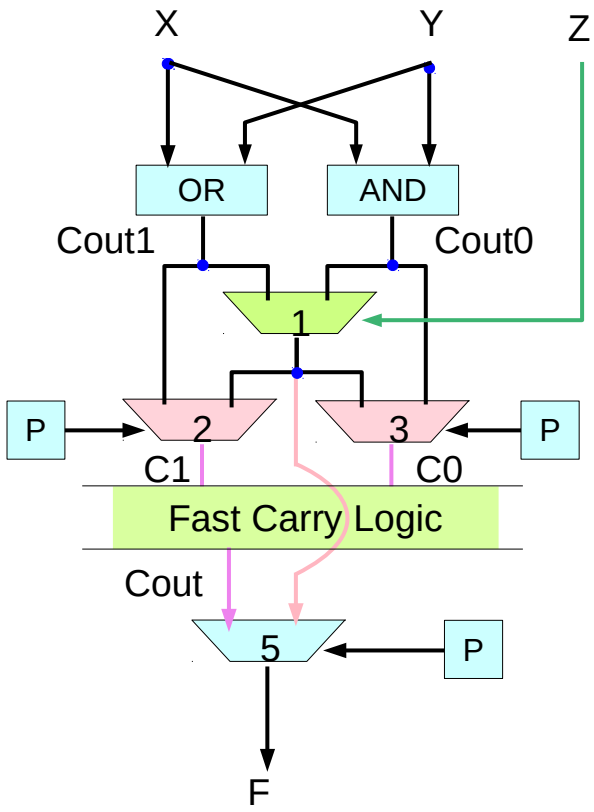
Design C (3)

the main difference is to support all states
- Generate
- Propagate
- Kill
- Inverse Propagate

These 4 states are encoded
on signals C1 and C0

Also, while standard adders are concerened
only with the maximum delay
through an entire n-bit adder structure,
the delay concerns for FPGAs
are more complicated

Specifically, when an n-bit carry chain is built into
the architecture of an FPGA
it does not represent an actual computation,
but only the potential for a computation.



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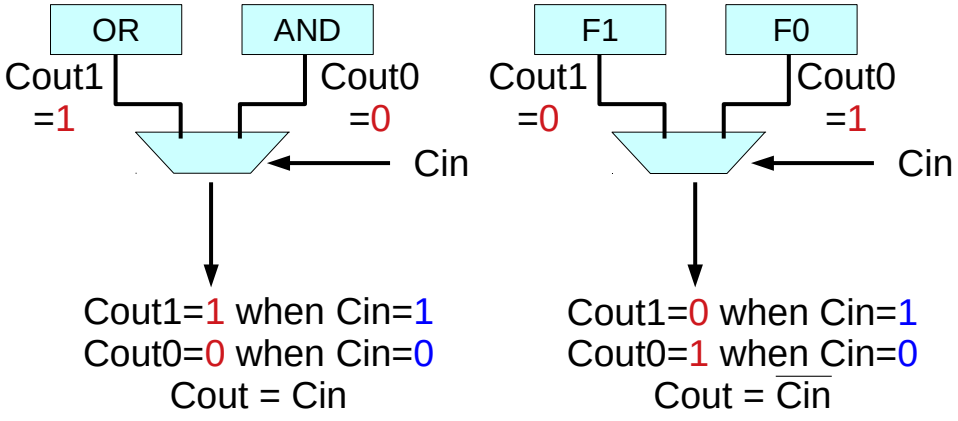
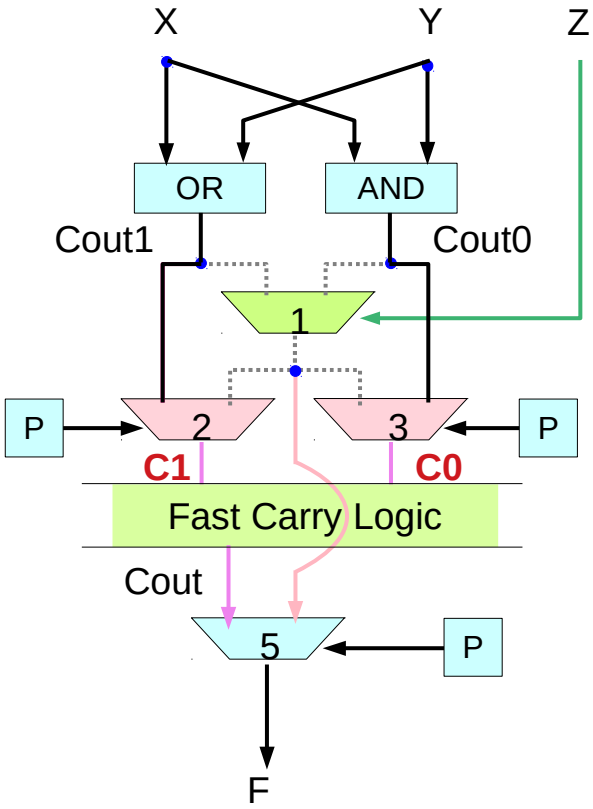
Design C (4)

		Cin	$\overline{Cin}$	
X	Y	Cout1	Cout0	
0	0	0	0	$\overline{X}\ \overline{Y}$
0	1	1	0	$\overline{X}\ Y$
1	0	1	0	$X\ \overline{Y}$
1	1	1	1	$X\ Y$

Cout1	Cout0	Cout	Name
0	0	0	Kill
0	1	$\overline{Cin}$	Inverse Propagate
1	0	Cin	Propagate
1	1	1	Generate



C1	C0		Name
0	0	0	Kill
0	1	$\overline{Cin}$	Inverse Propagate
1	0	Cin	Propagate
1	1	1	Generate



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Design C (5)

X	Y	C1	C0	
0	0	0	0	$\overline{X}\,\overline{Y}$
0	1	1	0	$\overline{X}\,Y$
1	0	1	0	$X\,\overline{Y}$
1	1	1	1	$X\,Y$

$$C1_i = X_i + Y_i$$

$$C0_i = X_i \cdot Y_i$$

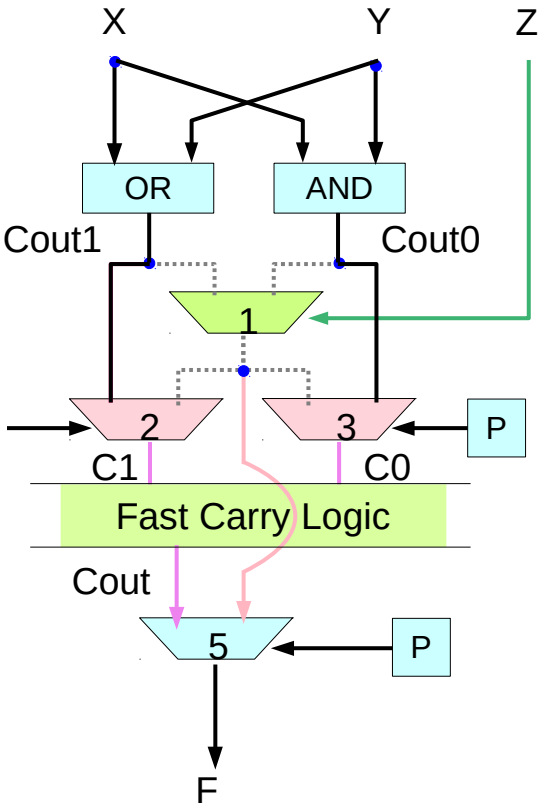
C1	C0		Name
0	0	0	Kill
0	1	Cin	Inverse Propagate
1	0	Cin	Propagate
1	1	1	Generate

$$Cout_i = (Cout_{i-1} \cdot C1_i) + (\overline{Cout_{i-1}} \cdot C0_i)$$

$$(Cout_{i-1} \cdot C1_i) = Cout_{i-1} \cdot (\overline{X}\,Y + X\,\overline{Y} + X\,Y)$$

$$(\overline{Cout_{i-1}} \cdot C0_i) = \overline{Cout_{i-1}} \cdot X\,Y$$

X	Y	$Cout_i$	$Cout_{i+1}$
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1



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Design C (6) – Complements of C0 and C1

$C1 = \bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + XY$

X	Y	C1
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

$C0 = XY$

X	Y	C0
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

$C1 = \bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + XY$

$C0 = XY$

$\overline{C1} = \bar{X}\bar{Y}$

X	Y	$\overline{C1}$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

$\overline{C0} = \bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + \bar{X}\bar{Y}$

X	Y	$\overline{C0}$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

$\bar{C}1 = \overline{(\bar{X}Y) + (X\bar{Y}) + (XY)} = \bar{X}\bar{Y}$

$\bar{C}0 = \bar{X} + \bar{Y} = \bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + \bar{X}\bar{Y}$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$

$$= (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot (\bar{X}_2Y_2 + X_2\bar{Y}_2 + X_2Y_2) + C0_3 \cdot \bar{X}_2\bar{Y}_2)) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot X_2Y_2 + C0_3 \cdot (\bar{X}_2Y_2 + X_2\bar{Y}_2 + \bar{X}_2\bar{Y}_2)))$$

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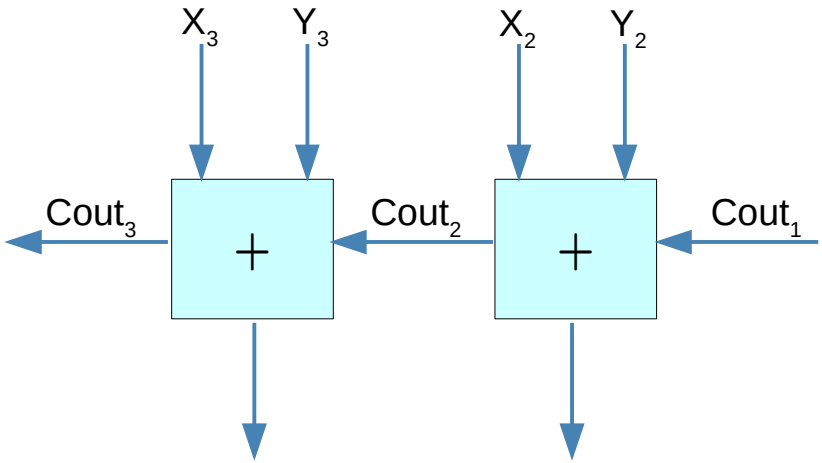
Design C (7) – $Cout_3$ in terms of $Cout_1$

X_3	Y_3	X_2	Y_2	$Cout_2$	$Cout_3$	Cout3
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	$Cout_1$	0	0
0	0	1	0	$Cout_1$	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	$Cout_3$	0
0	1	0	1	$Cout_1$	$Cout_3$	$Cout_1$
0	1	1	0	$Cout_1$	$Cout_3$	$Cout_1$
0	1	1	1	1	$Cout_3$	1
1	0	0	0	0	$Cout_3$	0
1	0	0	1	$Cout_1$	$Cout_3$	$Cout_1$
1	0	1	0	$Cout_1$	$Cout_3$	$Cout_1$
1	0	1	1	1	$Cout_3$	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	$Cout_1$	1	1
1	1	1	0	$Cout_1$	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$



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Design C (8) – $Cout_3$ in terms of $Cout_1$

							$Cout_1$	$Cout_1$	$\overline{Cout_1}$	$\overline{Cout_1}$	
X_3	Y_3	X_2	Y_2	$C1_3$	$C0_3$	$C1_2$	$C0_2$	$C1_3C1_2$	$C0_3\overline{C1_2}$	$C1_3C0_2$	$C0_3\overline{C0_2}$	$Cout^3$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	$Cout_1$
0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	$Cout_1$
0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$

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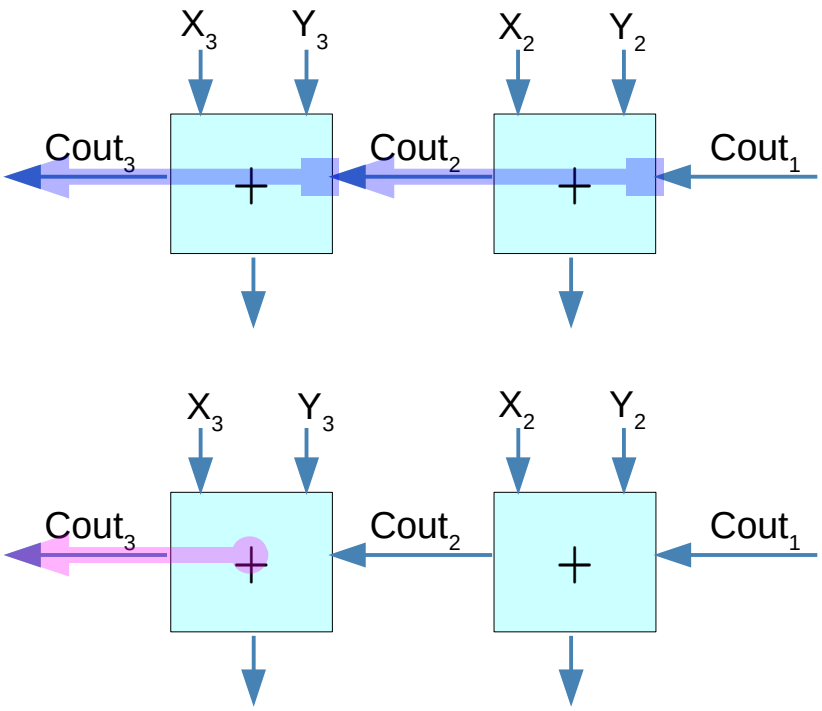
Design C (9) – When Cout1 = 1



$$C1_3 \cdot C1_2 \cdot Cout_1$$

prop prop

$\overline{X_3}Y_3$ $\overline{X_2}Y_2$
$X_3\overline{Y_3}$ $X_2\overline{Y_2}$
X_3Y_3 X_2Y_2

$$C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2} \cdot Cout_1$$

gen $\overline{\text{prop}}$

X_3Y_3 $\overline{X_2}\,\overline{Y_2}$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$

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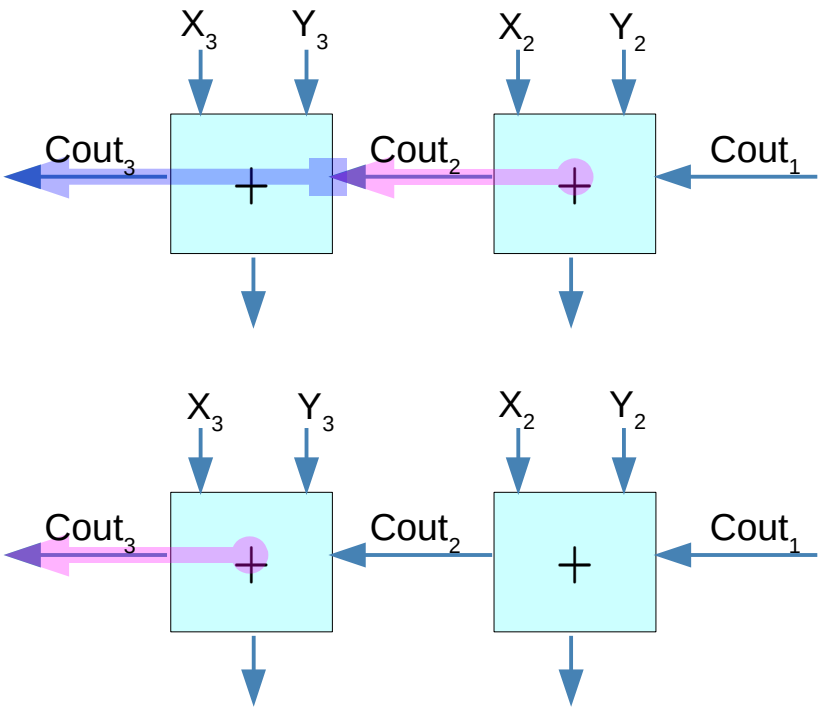
Design C (10) – When Cout1 = 0



$$C1_3 \cdot C0_2 \cdot \overline{Cout}_1$$

prop

$\overline{X}_3 Y_3$
$X_3 \overline{Y}_3$
$X_3 Y_3$

gen

$X_2 Y_2$

$$C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0}_2 \cdot \overline{Cout}_1$$

gen

$X_3 Y_3$

$\overline{\text{gen}}$

$\overline{X}_2 Y_2$
$X_2 \overline{Y}_2$
$\overline{X}_2 \overline{Y}_2$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1}_2)) + (\overline{Cout}_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0}_2))$$

$(C1_3\, C1_2 + C0_3 \overline{C1}_2) Cout_1 + (C1_3\, C0_2 + C0_3 \overline{C0}_2) \overline{Cout}_1$

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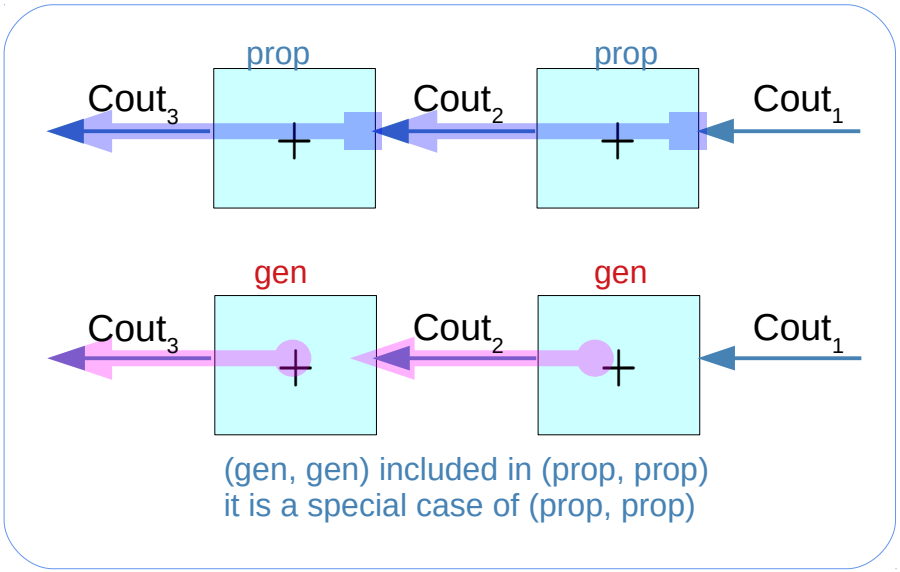
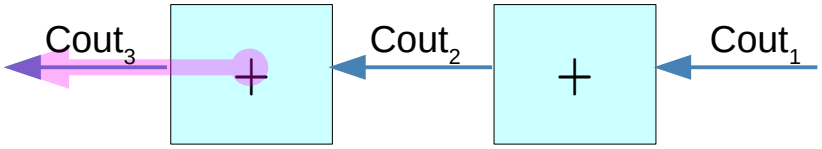
Design C (11) – When Cout1 = 1



$$C1_3 \cdot C1_2 \cdot Cout_1$$

prop: $\overline{X_3}Y_3$, $X_3\overline{Y_3}$, X_3Y_3

prop: $\overline{X_2}Y_2$, $X_2\overline{Y_2}$, X_2Y_2



$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$

$$C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2} \cdot Cout_1$$

gen: X_3Y_3

$\overline{\text{prop}}$: $\overline{X_2}\overline{Y_2}$

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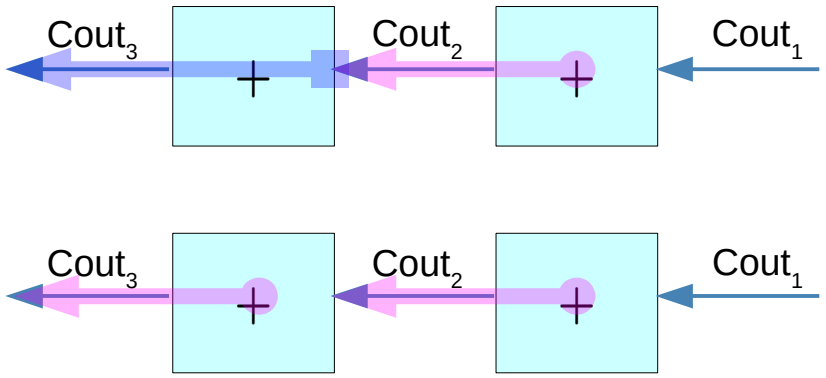
Design C (12) – When Cout1 = 0



(gen, gen) included in (prop, gen)
it is a special case of (prop, gen)

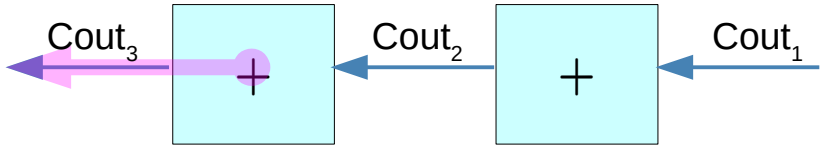
$$C1_3 \cdot C0_2 \cdot \overline{Cout_1}$$

prop

$\overline{X_3}Y_3$
$X_3\overline{Y_3}$
X_3Y_3

gen

X_2Y_2



$$C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2} \cdot \overline{Cout_1}$$

gen

X_3Y_3

$\overline{gen}$

$\overline{X_2}Y_2$
$X_2\overline{Y_2}$
$\overline{X_2}\overline{Y_2}$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$

$$(C1_3\,C1_2 + C0_3\overline{C1_2})Cout_1 + (C1_3\,C0_2 + C0_3\overline{C0_2})\overline{Cout_1}$$

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$$C1 = \overline{X}\,Y + X\,\overline{Y} + X\,Y \qquad C0 = X\,Y$$

$$\overline{C1} = \overline{X}\,\overline{Y} \qquad \overline{C0} = \overline{X}\,Y + X\,\overline{Y} + \overline{X}\,\overline{Y}$$

C1 and C0 are not mutually exclusive

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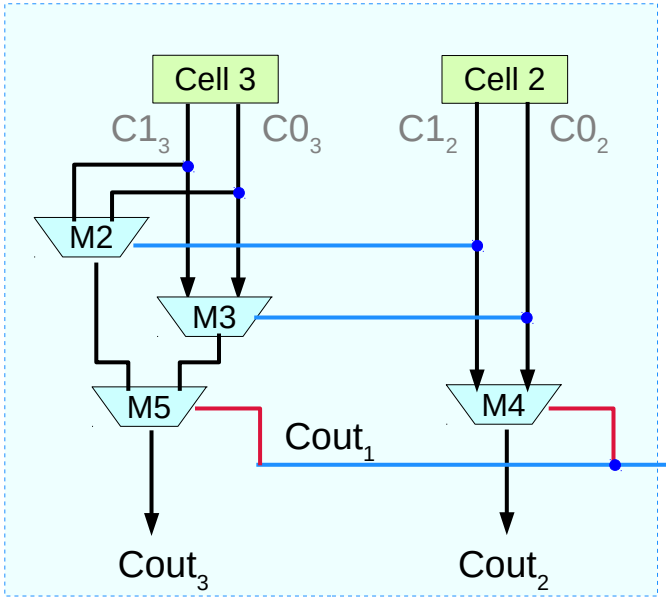
Design C - Carry Select (1)



$$C1 = \overline{X}\,Y + X\,\overline{Y} + X\,Y \qquad C0 = X\,Y$$

$$\overline{C1} = \overline{X}\,\overline{Y} \qquad \overline{C0} = \overline{X}\,Y + X\,\overline{Y} + \overline{X}\,\overline{Y}$$

$$= (Cout_2 \cdot C1_3) + (\overline{Cout_2} \cdot C0_3)$$

$$= (Cout_1 \cdot C1_2)_2 + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)_2$$

$$= (Cout_0 \cdot C1_1) + (\overline{Cout_0} \cdot C0_1)$$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$

$$= (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot (\bar{X}_2 Y_2 + X_2 \bar{Y}_2 + X_2 Y_2) + C0_3 \cdot \bar{X}_2 \bar{Y}_2)) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot X_2 Y_2 + C0_3 \cdot (\bar{X}_2 Y_2 + X_2 \bar{Y}_2 + \bar{X}_2 \bar{Y}_2)))$$

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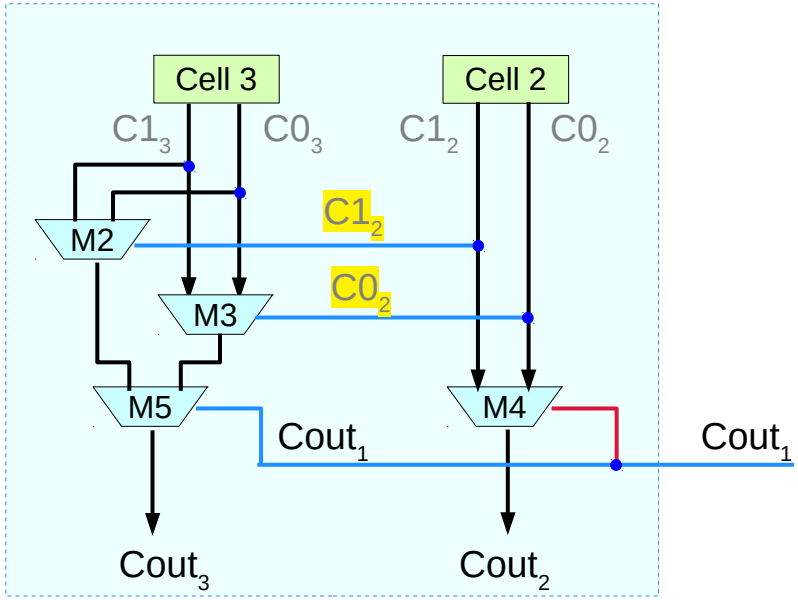

$$(C1_3\,C1_2 + C0_3\overline{C1_2})Cout_1 + (C1_3\,C0_2 + C0_3\overline{C0_2})\overline{Cout_1}$$

$$C1 = \overline{X}\,Y + X\,\overline{Y} + X\,Y \qquad C0 = X\,Y$$

$$\overline{C1} = \overline{X}\,\overline{Y} \qquad \overline{C0} = \overline{X}\,Y + X\,\overline{Y} + \overline{X}\,\overline{Y}$$

$$Cout_2 = (Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)$$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_2 \cdot C1_3) + (\overline{Cout_2} \cdot C0_3)$$

$$= (((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)) \cdot C1_3)$$

$$+ \overline{(((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)) \cdot C0_3)}$$

$$(((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)) \cdot C1_3)$$

$$= (C1_3 C1_2 Cout_1 + C1_3 C0_2 \overline{Cout_1})$$

$$\overline{(((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) \cdot \overline{(\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)}) \cdot C0_3)}$$

$$= (((\overline{Cout_1} + \overline{C1_2}) \cdot (Cout_1 + \overline{C0_2})) \cdot C0_3)$$

$$= (\overline{Cout_1} Cout_1 + \overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + \overline{Cout_1}\,\overline{C0_2} + \overline{C1_2}\,\overline{C0_2}) \cdot C0_3$$

$$= (\overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + \overline{C0_2}\,\overline{Cout_1}) \cdot C0_3$$

$$= (C0_3\,\overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + C0_3\,\overline{C0_2}\,\overline{Cout_1})$$

$$\overline{C1_2}\,\overline{C0_2} = (\overline{X_2}\,\overline{Y_2}) \cdot (\overline{X_2}\,Y_2 + X_2\,\overline{Y_2} + \overline{X_2}\,\overline{Y_2}) = \overline{C1_2}$$

$$\overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + \overline{C1_2} = \overline{C1_2}(Cout_1 + 1)$$

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$$= (\overline{Cout_1} Cout_1 + \overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + \overline{Cout_1}\,\overline{C0_2} + \overline{C1_2}\,\overline{C0_2}) \cdot C0_3$$

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$$= (((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)) \cdot C1_3)$$

$$+ (\overline{((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2))} \cdot C0_3)$$

$$(((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)) \cdot C1_3)$$

$$= (C1_3 C1_2 Cout_1 + C1_3 C0_2 \overline{Cout_1})$$

$$(((\overline{(Cout_1 \cdot C1_2)} \cdot \overline{(\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)}) \cdot C0_3)$$

$$= (((\overline{Cout_1} + \overline{C1_2}) \cdot (Cout_1 + \overline{C0_2})) \cdot C0_3)$$

$$= (\overline{Cout_1} Cout_1 + \overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + \overline{Cout_1}\,\overline{C0_2} + \overline{C1_2}\,\overline{C0_2}) \cdot C0_3$$

$$= (\overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + \overline{C0_2}\,\overline{Cout_1}) \cdot C0_3$$

$$= (C0_3 \overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + C0_3 \overline{C0_2}\,\overline{Cout_1})$$

$$\overline{C1_2}\,\overline{C0_2} = (\overline{X_2}\,\overline{Y_2}) \cdot (\overline{X_2} Y_2 + X_2 \overline{Y_2} + \overline{X_2}\,\overline{Y_2}) = \overline{C1_2}$$

$$\overline{C1_2} Cout_1 + \overline{C1_2} = \overline{C1_2}(Cout_1 + 1)$$

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$$\overline{((Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2))}$$

$$\overline{((Cout_1 \cdot (C1_2 + C0_2)) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2))}$$

$$\overline{(Cout_1 \cdot C1_2 + (Cout_1 + \overline{Cout_1}) \cdot C0_2)}$$

$$\overline{(Cout_1 \cdot C1_2 + C0_2)}$$

$$((\overline{Cout_1} + \overline{C1_2}) \cdot \overline{C0_2})$$

$$((\overline{Cout_1} \cdot \overline{C0_2} + \overline{C1_2}))$$

$$= (\overline{Cout_1}\,Cout_1 + \overline{C1_2}\,Cout_1 + \overline{Cout_1}\,\overline{C0_2} + \overline{C1_2}\,\overline{C0_2})$$

$$= (\overline{C1_2}\,Cout_1 + \overline{Cout_1}\,\overline{C0_2} + \overline{C1_2})$$

$$= (\overline{C1_2} + \overline{Cout_1}\,\overline{C0_2})$$

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Design C - Carry Select (1)

$C1 = \bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + XY$ $\quad$ $C0 = XY$

$\overline{C1} = \bar{X}\bar{Y}$ $\quad$ $\overline{C0} = \bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + \bar{X}\bar{Y}$

C1	C0		Name
0	0	0	Kill
0	1	$\overline{Cin}$	Inverse Propagate
1	0	Cin	Propagate
1	1	1	Generate

$$Cout_1 = (Cout_0 \cdot C1_1) + (\overline{Cout_0} \cdot C0_1)$$

$$Cout_2 = (Cout_1 \cdot C1_2) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot C0_2)$$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_2 \cdot C1_3) + (\overline{Cout_2} \cdot C0_3)$$

$$Cout_3 = (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C1_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C1_2})) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot C0_2 + C0_3 \cdot \overline{C0_2}))$$

$$= Cout_1 \cdot [(\bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + XY)_3 \cdot (\bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + XY)_2 + (XY)_3 \cdot (XY)_2]$$
$$+ Cout_1 \cdot [(\bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + XY)_3 \cdot (XY)_2 + (XY)_3 \cdot (\bar{X}Y + X\bar{Y} + \bar{X}\bar{Y})_2]$$

$$= (Cout_1 \cdot (C1_3 \cdot (\bar{X}_2Y_2 + X_2\bar{Y}_2 + X_2Y_2) + C0_3 \cdot \bar{X}_2\bar{Y}_2)) + (\overline{Cout_1} \cdot (C1_3 \cdot X_2Y_2 + C0_3 \cdot (\bar{X}_2Y_2 + X_2\bar{Y}_2 + \bar{X}_2\bar{Y}_2)))$$

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Design C (3)

A carry chain resource may span
the entire height of a column in the FPGA,
but a mapping to the logic may use
only a small portion of this chain,
with the carry logic in the mapping
starting and ending
at arbitrary points in the column

Must consider
- the **carry delay** from the first
  to the last position in a carry chain,
- the delay for a **carry computation**
  beginning at any point within this column.

For example,
even though the FPGA architecture may
provide support for
carry chains of up to 32 bits,
it must also efficiently support
8 bit **carry computations** placed
at any point within this carry chain resource

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Design C (4)

Carry Select

the problem with a ripple carry structure is that
the **computation** of the **Cout** for bit position **i**
cannot begin until after the **computation** has been
completed in bit positions **0 .. i-1**

A **carry select** structure overcomes this limitation

the main observation is that
for any bit position,
the only information it received
from the previous bit positions is its **Cin** signal,
which can be either **true** or **false**.

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Design C (5)

In a carry select adder
the **carry chain** is broken at a specific column,
and two separate additions occur

one for the **true** Cin signal
the other for the **false** Cin signal

These computations can take place before
the completion of the previous columns,
since they do not depend on
the actual value of the Cin signal

This Cin signal is instead used to determine
which adder's outputs should be used

if the Cin signal is **true**, the output of the following
stages comes from the adder that assumed
that the Cin would be **true**

likewise, a **false** Cin chooses the other adder's output

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Design C (6)

This splitting of the **carry chain**
can be done multiple times,
breaking the computation
into several pairs of **short adders**
with output muxes choosing
which adder's output to **select**

the length of the adders and
the breakpoint are carefully chosen
such that the **small adders** finish computation
just as their Cin signals become available

Short adders handle the low-order bits,
and the adder length is increased
further along the carry chain,
since later computations have more time
until their Cin signal is available

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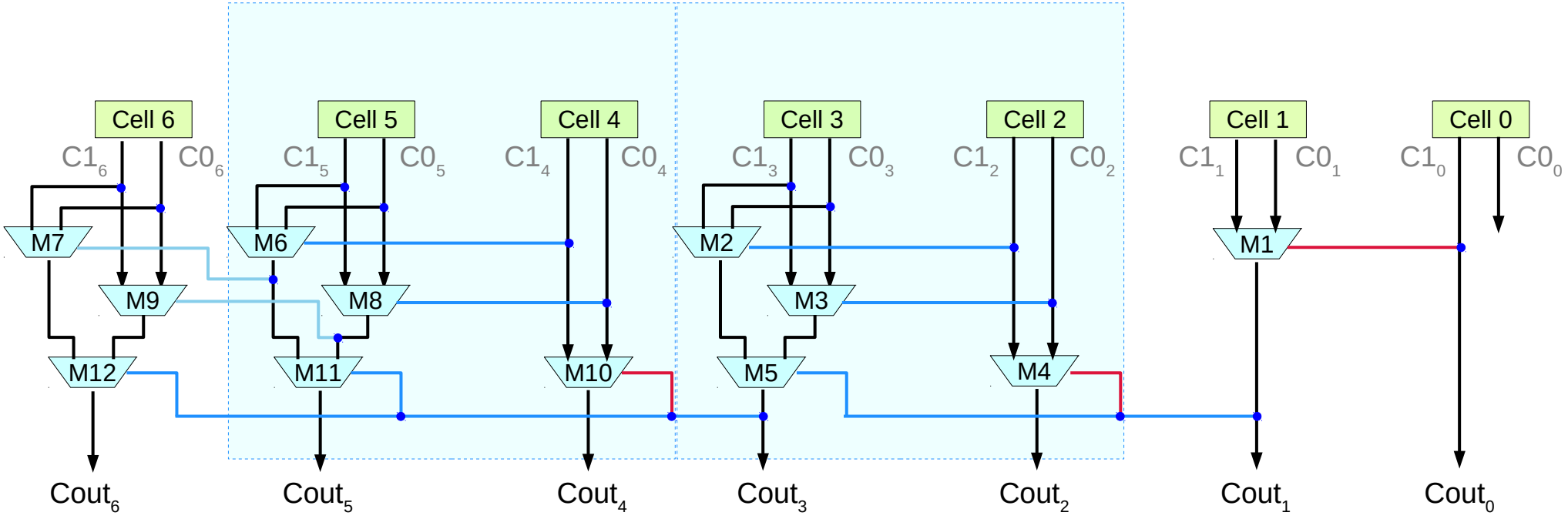
FPGA Carry Chain Cell



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$$Cout_1 = (C1_0 \cdot C1_1) + (\overline{C1_0} \cdot C0_1)$$

$$Cout_{i+1} = (Cout_i \cdot C1_{i+1}) + (\overline{Cout_i} \cdot C0_{i+1})$$

$$Cout_{i+1} = ([(Cout_{i-1} \cdot C1_i) + (\overline{Cout_{i-1}} \cdot C0_i)] \cdot C1_{i+1}) + (\overline{[(Cout_{i-1} \cdot C1_i) + (\overline{Cout_{i-1}} \cdot C0_i)]} \cdot C0_{i+1})$$

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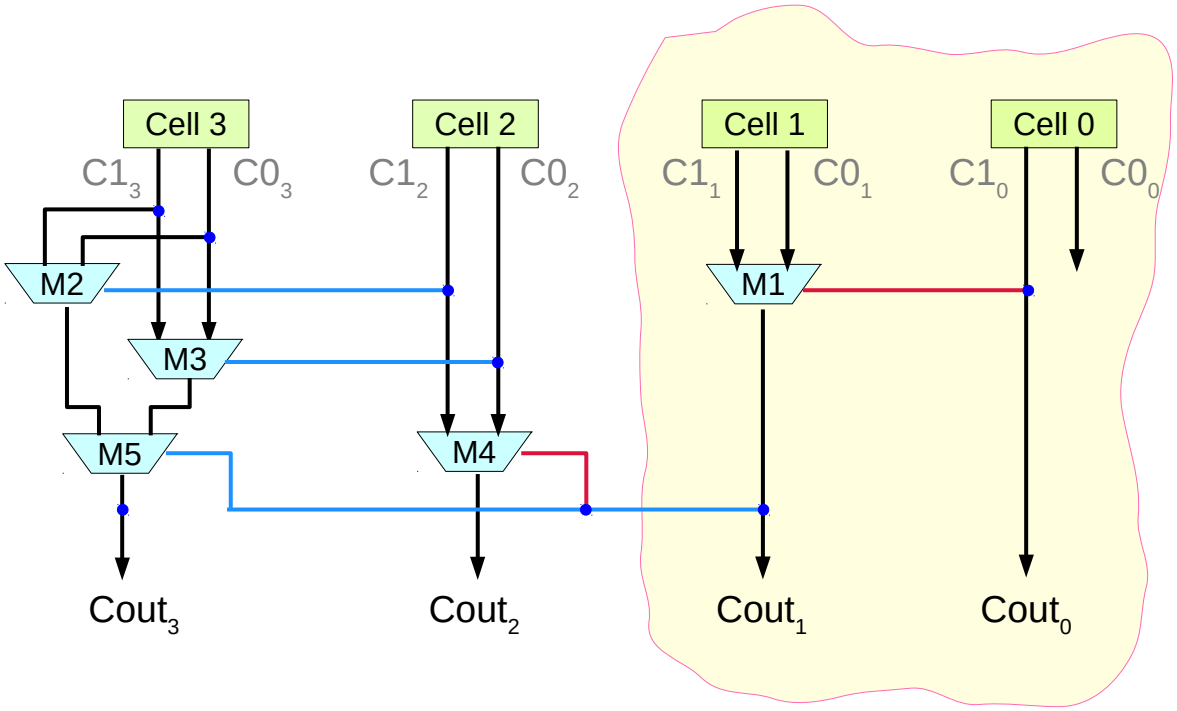
Design C - Carry Select (1)

A **Carry Select** **carry chain** structure
for use in FPGAs

the carry computation
for the first two cells is performed
with the simple **ripple-carry** structure
implemented by mux1



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Design C - Carry Select (2)

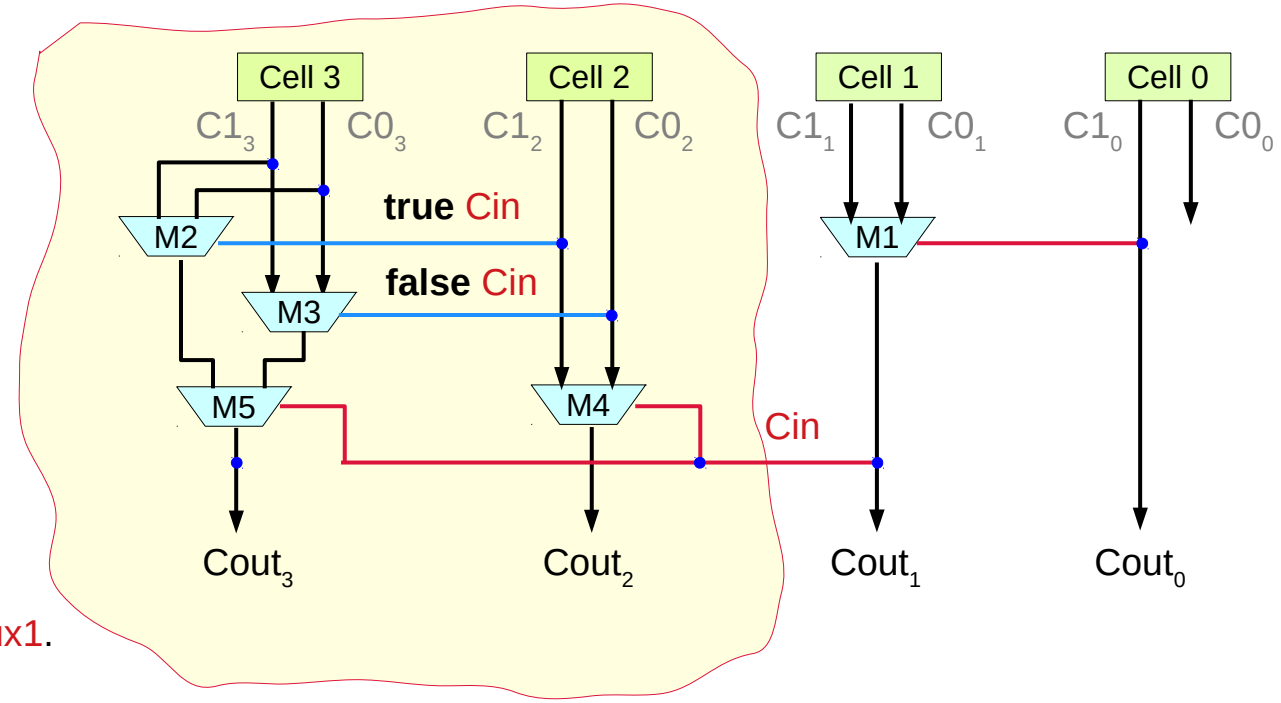
A **Carry Select** **carry chain** structure
for use in FPGAs

For cell2 and cell3 we use
two **ripple carry adders**,

with one adder (mux2)
assuming the Cin is **true**,

and the other (mux3)
assuming the Cin is **false**

Then mux4 and mux5 pick
between these two adders' outputs
based on the actual Cin coming from mux1.



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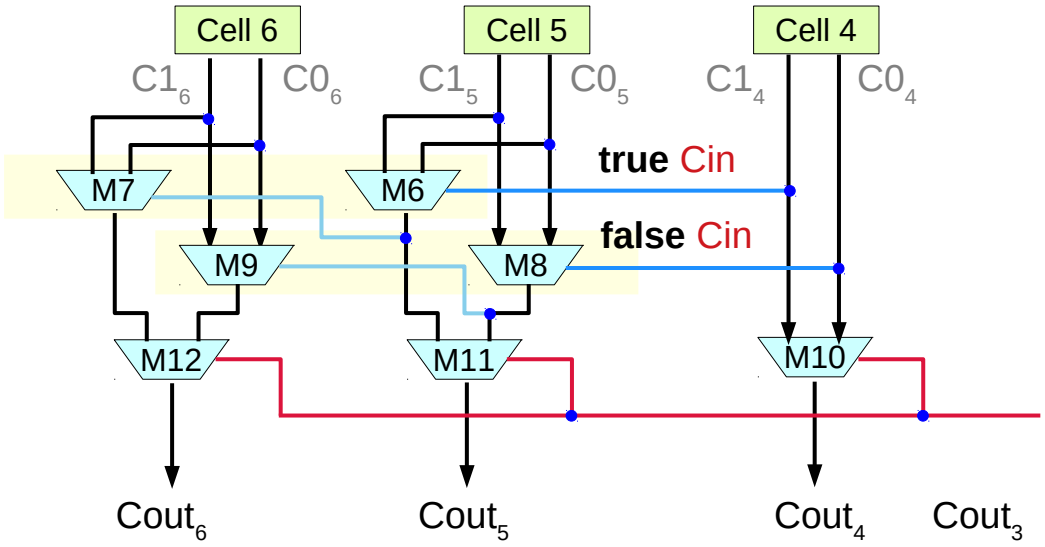
Design C - Carry Select (3)

Similarly, cell4, cell5, cell6 have

two ripple carry adders
mux6 & mux7 for a Cin of 1
mux8 & mux9 for a Cin of 0

with output muxes (mux10, mux11, mux12)
deciding between the two
based upon the actual Cin (from mux5).



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Design C - Carry Select (3)

Subsequent stages will continue
to grow in length by one,

with cells7, cell8, cell9, cell10 in one block,

cell11, cell12, cell13, cell14, cell15 in another,

and so on.

timing values showing
the delay of the Carry Select carry chain
relative to other carry chain will be presented later

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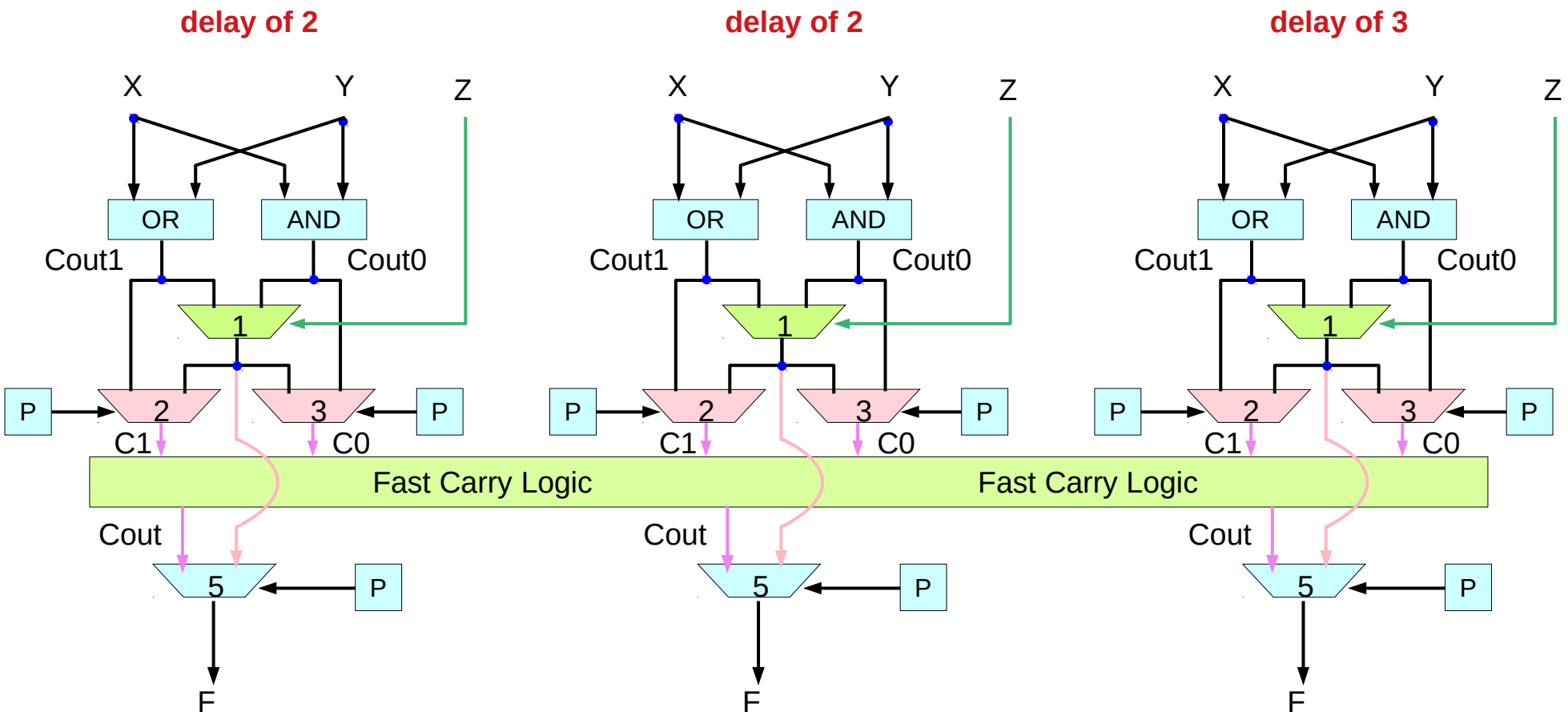
Design C



(1 for mux1, 1 for mux2, 1 in mux4)

delay of 2n+2 for an n-bit ripple carry chain

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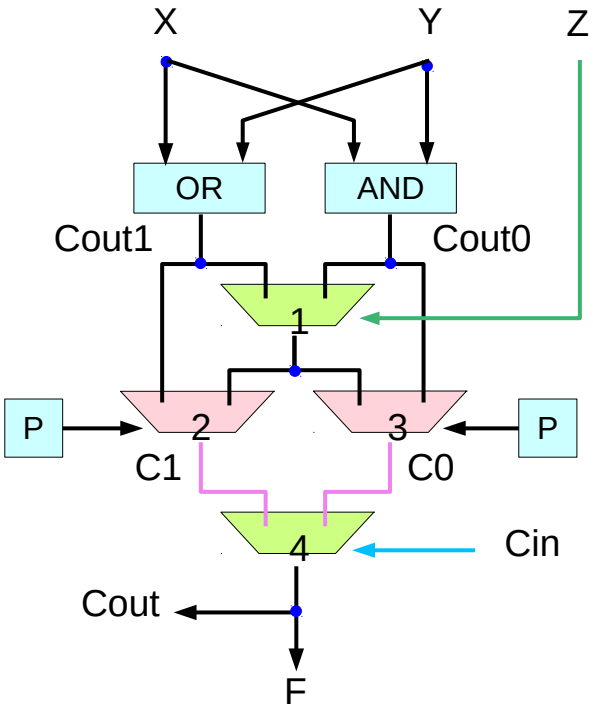

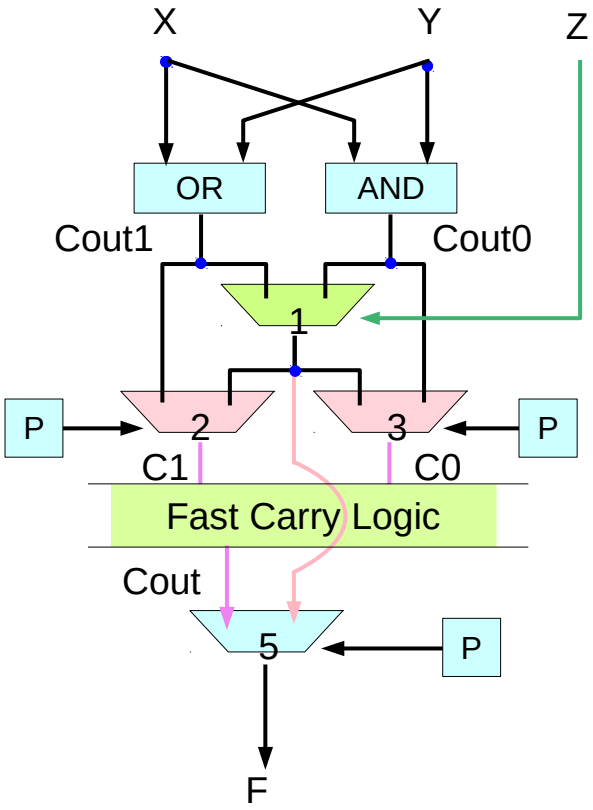

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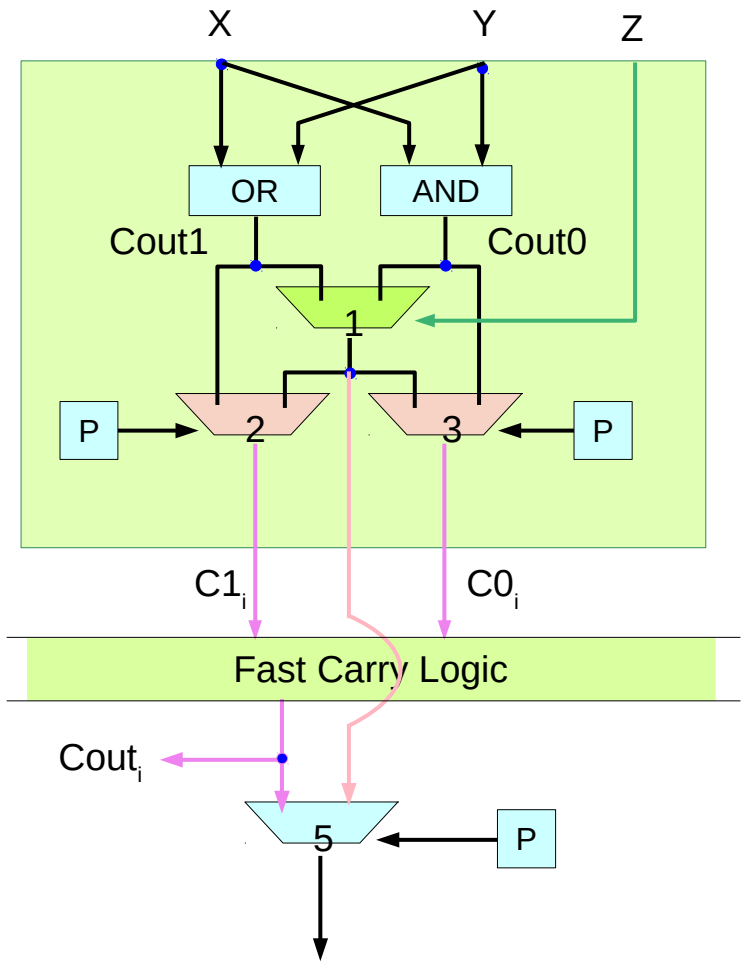

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Fast Carry Logc

Carry Select Adder
Carry Lookahead Adder
    Brent-Kung
Variable Block
Ripple Carry Adder

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carry-lookahead_adder

Variable Block

like the carry select chain, a variable block structure
consists of blocks of ripple carry element
however, instead of precomputing the Cout value
for each possible Cin value, it instead provides a way
for the carry signal to skip over intermediate cells
where appropriate.
Contiguous blocks of the computation are grouped
together to form a unit with a standard ripple carry chain
As part of this block, logic is to the value of the block's
Cin, allowing the carry chain to bypass this block's normal
carry chain on its way to later blocks.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Carry-lookahead_adder

Variable Block

The Cin still ripples through the block itself, since
the intermediate carry values must also be computed
If any of the cells in the carry chain are not in propagate mode,
the Cout output is generated normally by the ripple carry chain.
WHile this carry chain does start at the block's Cin signal,
and leads to the block's Cout, this long path is a false path
That is since there is some cell in the block that is not in
propagate mode, it must be in generate or kill mode,
and thus the block's Cout output does not depend on the block's
Cin input

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Variable Block

the variable block carry structure

mux1 performs an initial two sing stage ripple carry
mux2 ~ mux5 form a 2-bit variable block block
mux5 decides whether the Cin signal should be sent directly to Cout, while mux4 decides whether to invert the Cin signal or not

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Variable Block

a major difficulty in developing a version of the Variable Block carry chain for inclusion in an FPGA's architecture is the need to support both the propagate and inverse propagate state the cells.

To do this, we compute two values.
First, we check to see if all the cells are in some form of propagate mode (either normal propagate or inverse propagate) by ANDing together the XOR of each stage's C1 and C0 signal

If so, we know that the Cout function will be equal to either Cin or Cin bar.

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Variable Block

to decide whether to invert the signal or not,
we must determine how many cells are in inverse propagate mode.
if the number is even (including zero), the output is not inverted,
while if the number is odd, the output is inverted.

the inversion check can be done by looking for inverse
signal from each cell.
if this signal is true, the cell is in either generate or
inverse propagate mode, and if it is in generate mode inversion signal
will be ignored anyway (we only consider inverting the Cin signal
if all cells are in some form of propagate mode).

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Variable Block

note that for both of these tests we can use a tree of gates to compute the result.
Also, since we ignore the inversion signal when we are not bypassing the carry chain we can use C1 as the inverse of C0 for the inversion signal's computation, which avoids the added inverter in the XOR gate

the organization of the blocks in the variable block carry structure bears some similarity to the carry select structure
the early stages of the structure grow in length, with short blocks for the low order bits, building in length further in the chain
in order to equalize the arrival time of the carry from the block with that of the previous block

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Variable Block

however, unlike the carry select structure, the variable block adder must also worry about the delay from the Cin input through the block's ripple chain

Thus, after the carry chain passes the midpoint of the logic, the blocks begin decreasing in length.

This balances the path delays in the system and improves performance

The division of the overall structure into blocks depends on the details of the logic structure and the length fo the entire computation

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Variable Block

We use a block length from low order to high order cells of 2, 2, 4, 5, 7, 5, 4, 2, 1 for a normal 32 bit structure
The first and last block in each adder is a simple ripple carry chain, while all other blocks use the variable block structure.

Delay values of the variable block carry chain relative to other carry chains

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there are two inputs to the fast carry logic C1, C0
the value of C1, is programmed by the LUT's so that
it contains the value that Cout should have if Cin is false.

We can combine the information from two stages together
to determine what the Cout of one stage will be given
the Cin of the previous stage.

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