

An Intuitive System for Sketching and Simulating Logic Circuits

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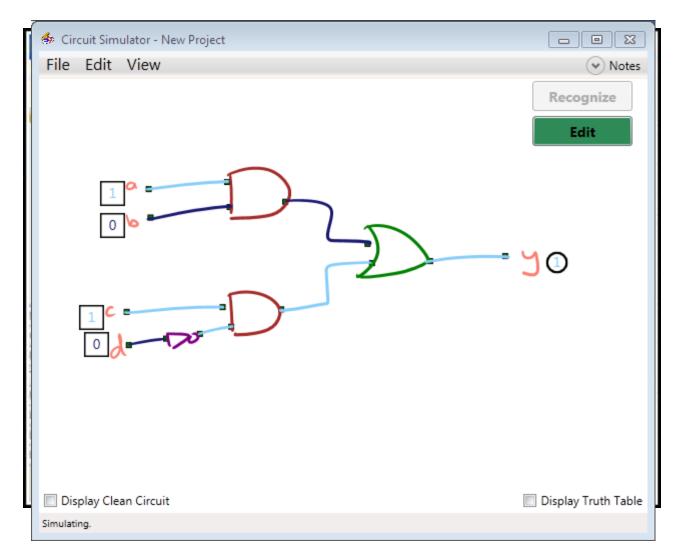
BIG PICTURE

Q: How do you make sketch recognition reliable without restricting the user's drawing style?

A: Allow the user to draw freely, with no unnatural constraints. Then design the system based on common sketching styles.



Introduction



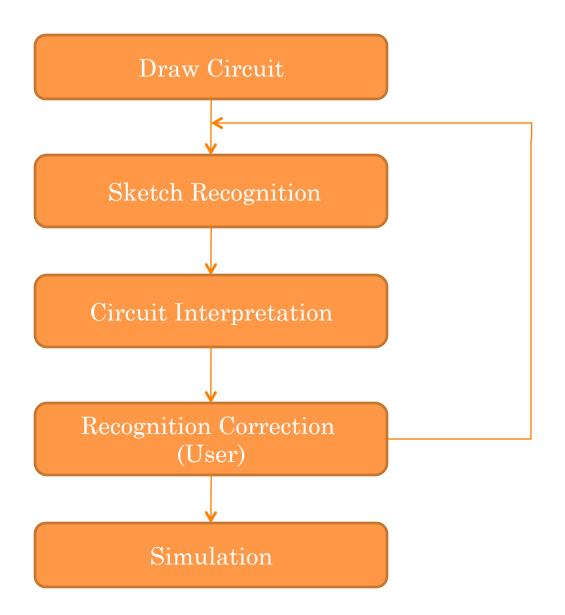


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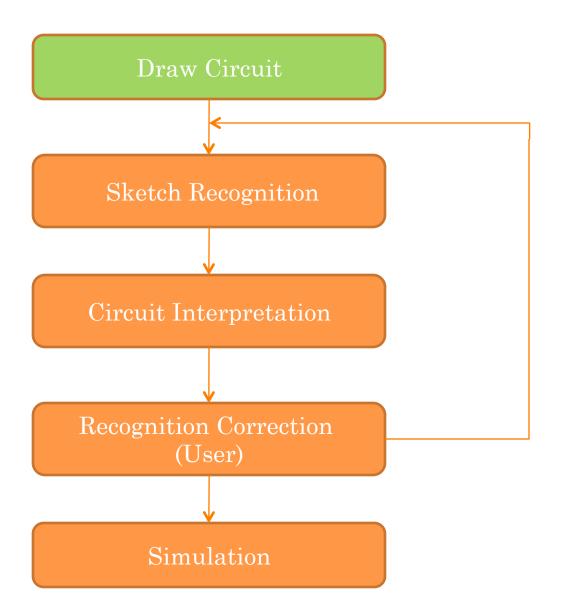


RECOGNITION CHALLENGES

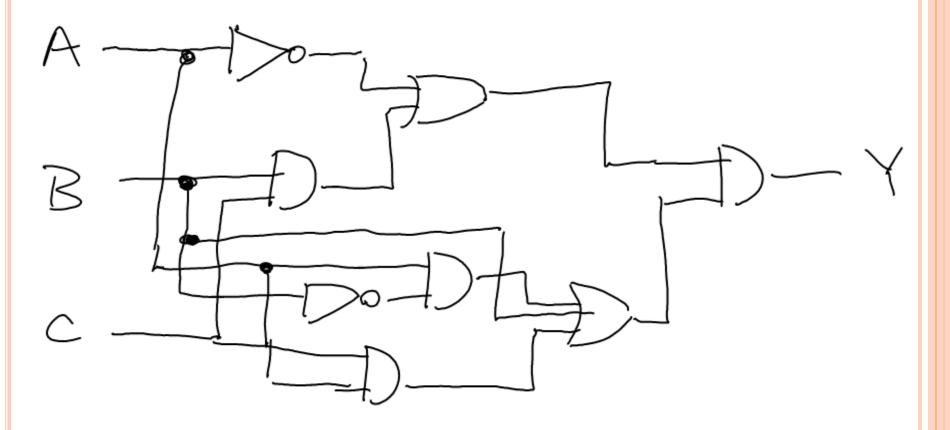




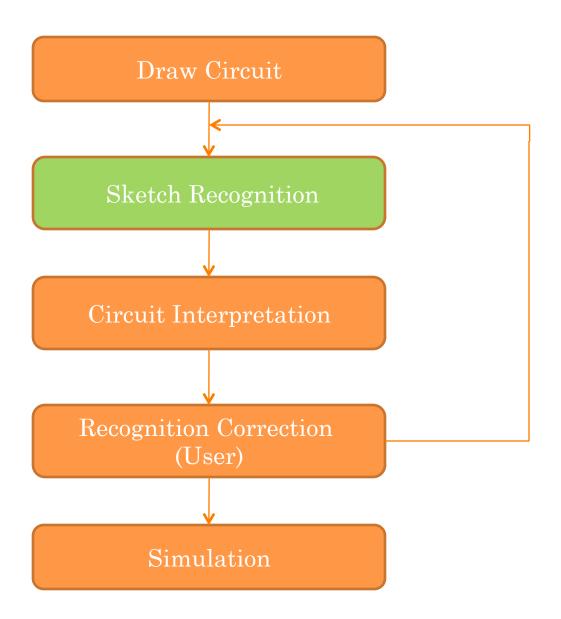






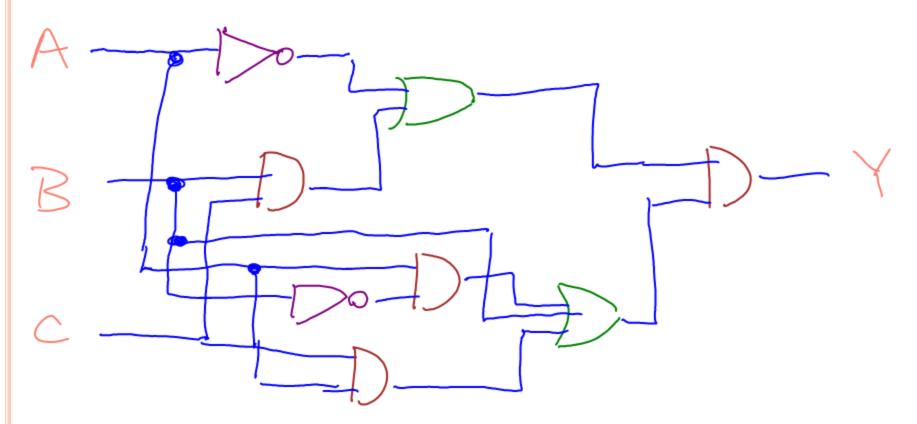






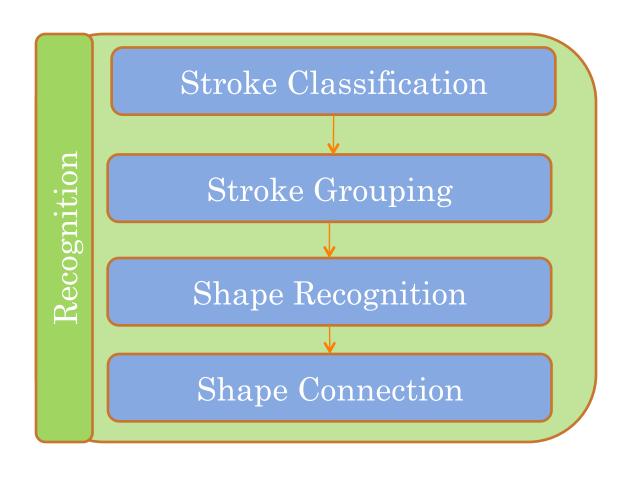


RECOGNITION OVERVIEW

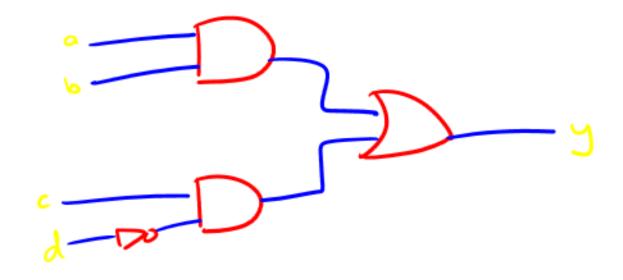


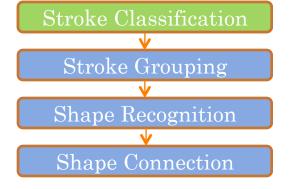


PREVIOUS RECOGNITION METHOD

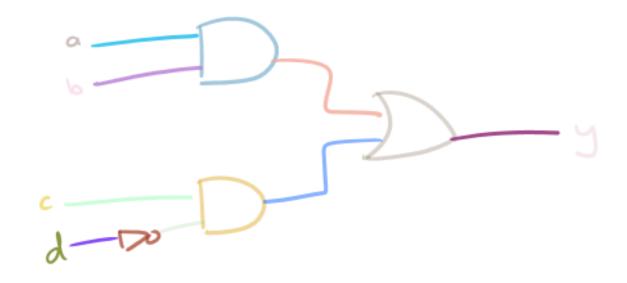


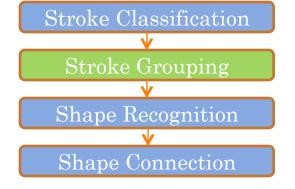




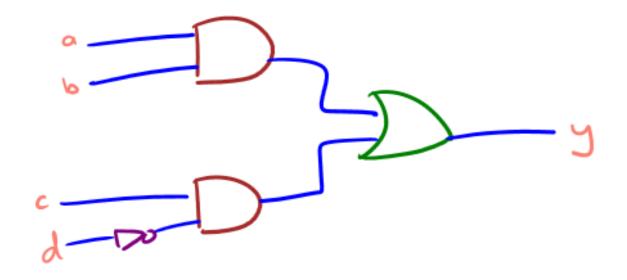


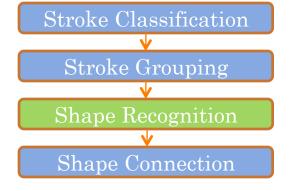




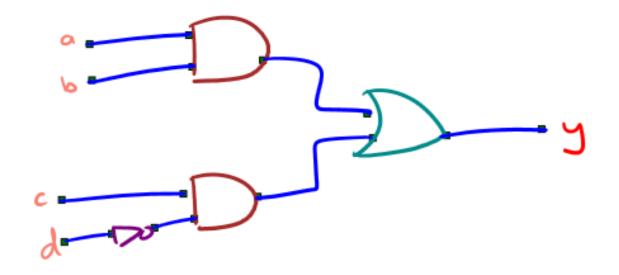


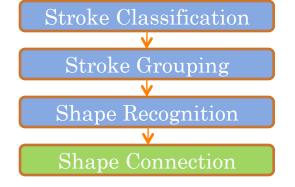






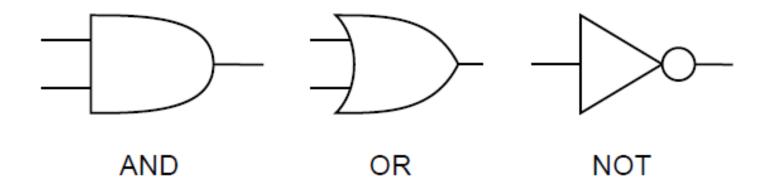






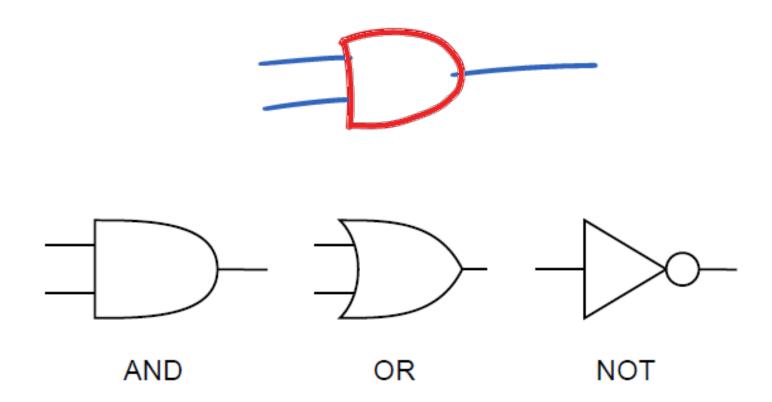


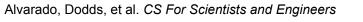
- How does a computer recognize a shape?
- How do you, as a person, recognize a shape?





RECOGNITION WITH TEMPLATES

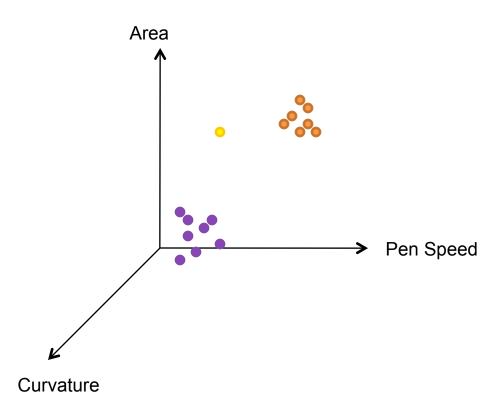






RECOGNITION WITH FEATURES

- Rather than storing a set of templates, store a set of features that describe the shape!
- Examples:
 - Area
 - Curvature
 - Pen Speed





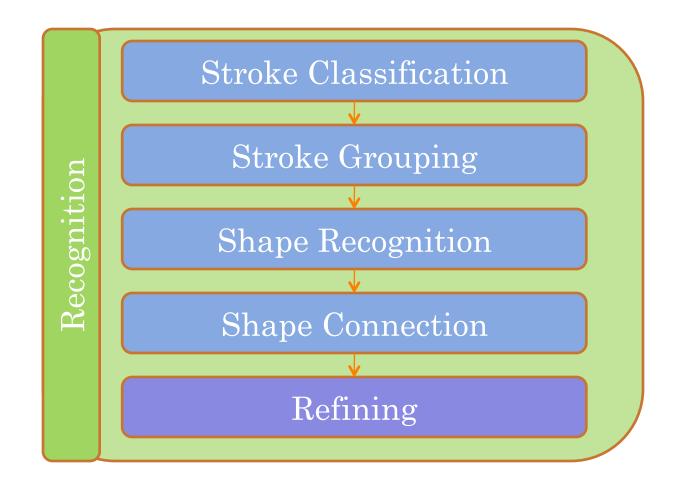
ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

• Recognition can always be improved.









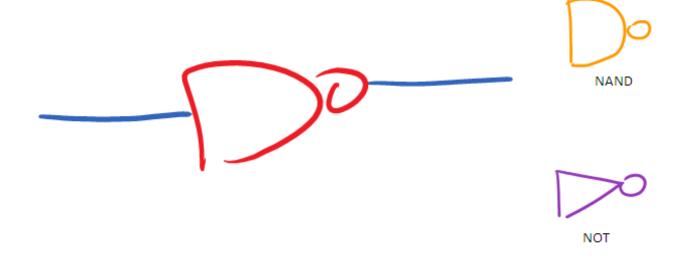


RECOGNITION REFINEMENT

- Context
- Stroke Steal
- Stroke Shed

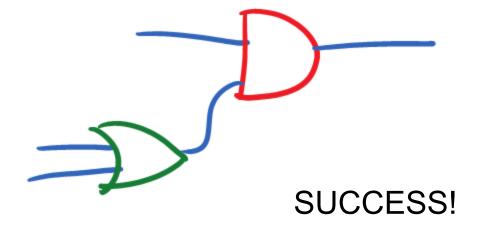


CONTEXT REFINE



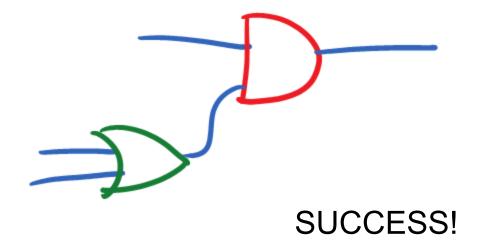


STROKE SHED REFINE





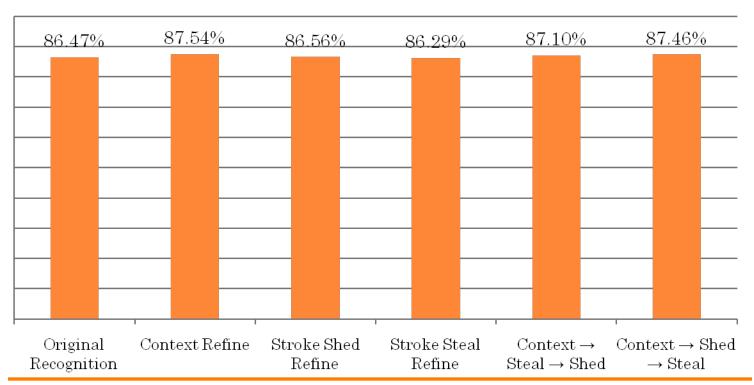
STROKE STEAL REFINE





REFINEMENT RESULTS

Recognition Accuracy



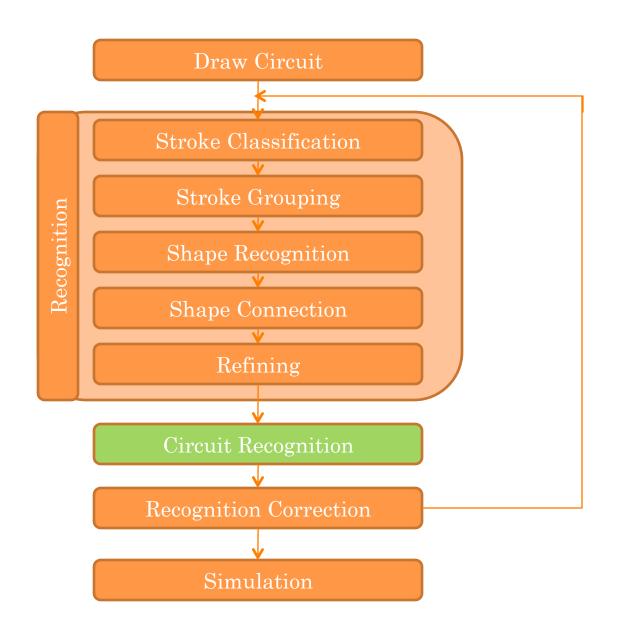


PROBLEMS

- Hard to tell...
 - When to refine
 - Which refiner to use
 - Whether it refined correctly

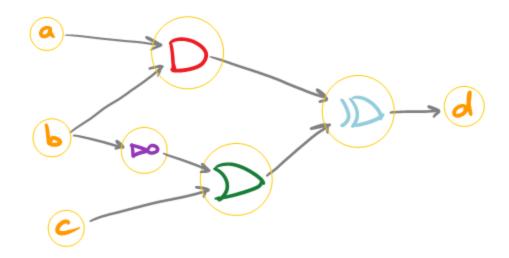




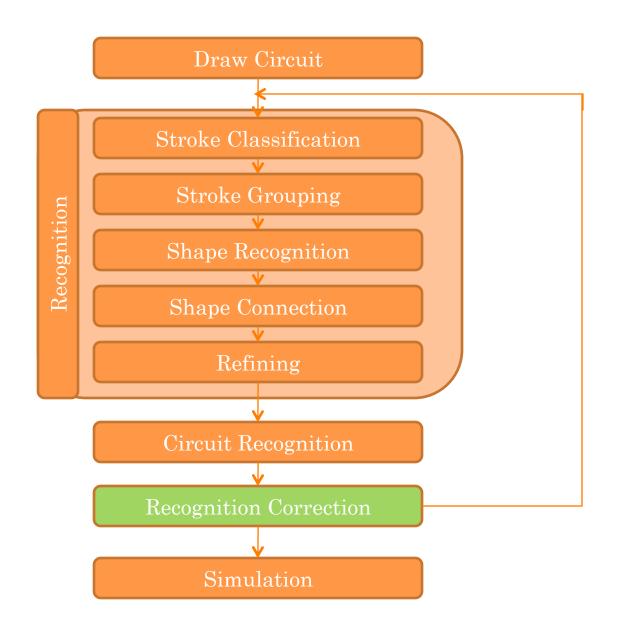




CIRCUIT RECOGNITION

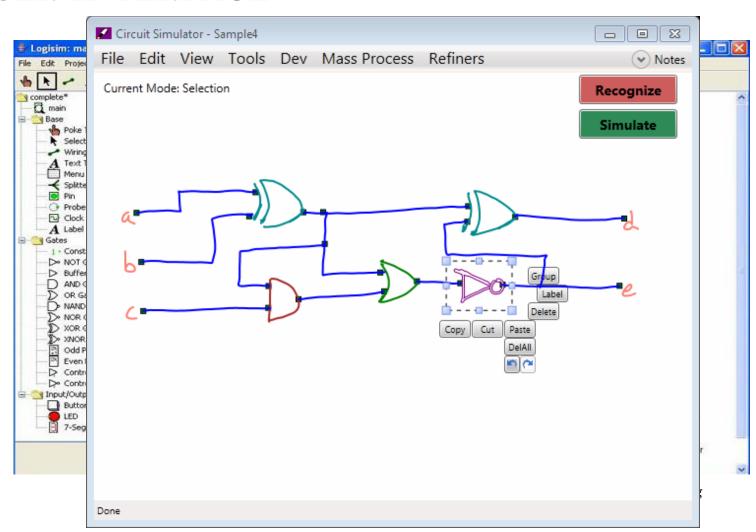






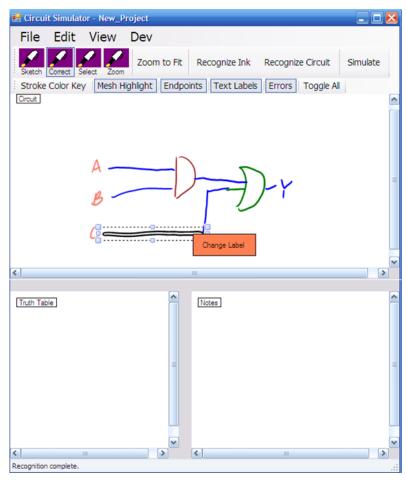


USER INTERFACE



OLD DESIGN – PROBLEMS?

- Modal Interface
- Menus
- Confusing options





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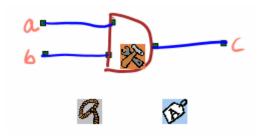
DESIGN GOALS

- "Magic Pen"
- No modes
- Avoid menus and toolbars
- Easy to find and correct errors



HOVER ICONS

- Hover space The space directly above the tablet surface
- Based loosely on Hover Widgets (T. Grossman, et.al., 2006)
- Hold pen above tablet surface, widgets pop up
- Lets stylus be used for selection, correction, editing without a menu or modes





SELECTION

- Problems
 - Often requires a separate mode
 - Many types: lasso, drag-box, tapping, others
- Our solution
 - Can begin selection through hover icon or stylus button
 - Can draw again after a selection is made
 - Users liked drag box with tapping

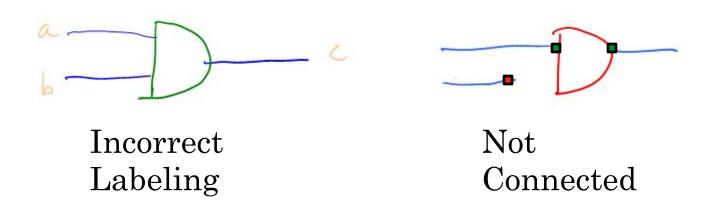


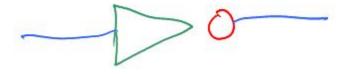
RECOGNITION FEEDBACK & CORRECTION

- What is important here?
 - Know if errors exist
 - Easy to correct errors
 - Correcting errors will not introduce more errors



Types of Recognition Errors



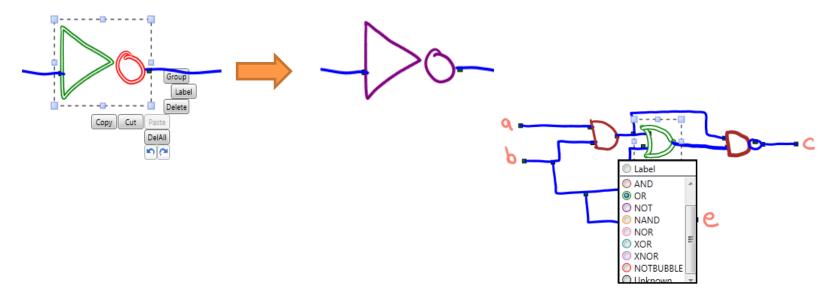


Incorrect Grouping



INCORRECT LABELING AND GROUPING

- Identified by stroke coloring and tooltips
- Fixed using relabeling and regrouping
- Shapes connected to changed shape are rerecognized

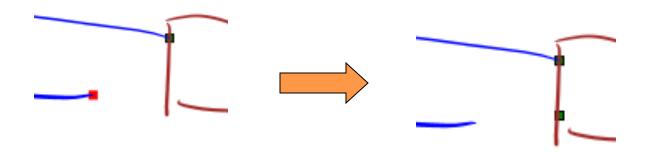




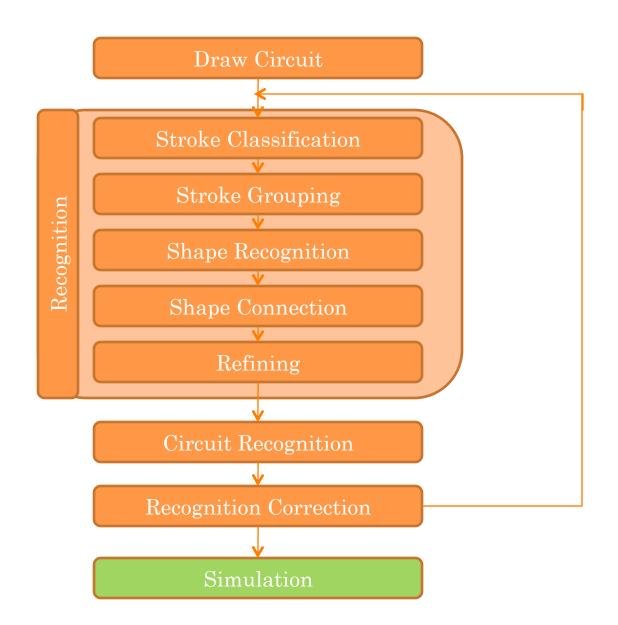
INCORRECT CONNECTIONS

 Identified by mesh highlighting and endpoint highlighting

• Fixed by dragging endpoints, drawing over connection

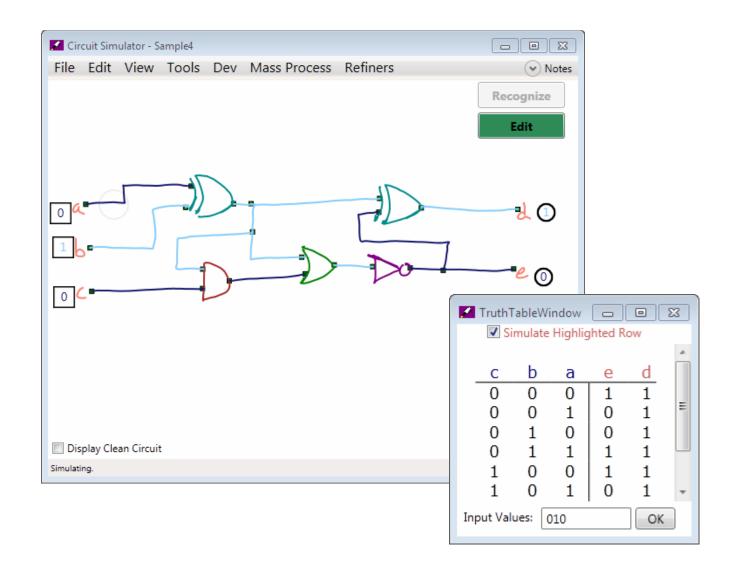








SIMULATION





DEMO!



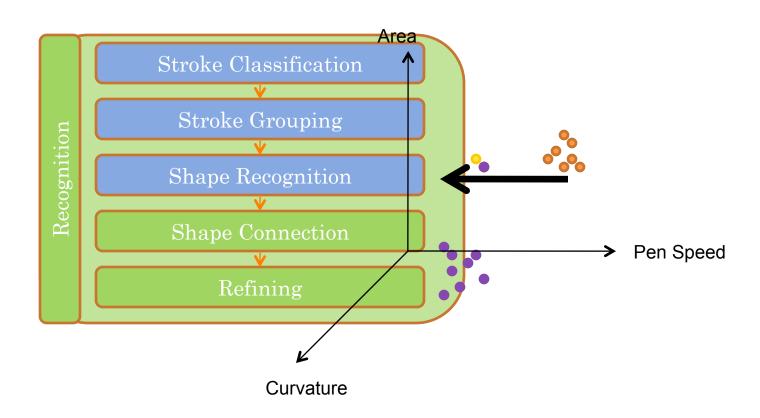
USER PREFERENCES

- Liked using hover icons over menus
- Liked seeing their sketches "come to life"
- Liked using stylus button for selection
- Tended to use re-labeling over grouping
- Would rather erase and re-draw rather than trace over existing strokes to replace them



LEARNING FROM ERROR CORRECTIONS

• How do you use users' corrections to improve recognition?





FUTURE WORK

- Learning from error corrections
- In-depth user studies
- o CS 5 or CS 42



QUESTIONS?

