

Boolean Algebra and Logic Gates

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Basic Definitions

- The most common postulates used to formulate various **algebraic structures**
 1. **Closure** : A set S is closed with respect to a binary operator if, for every pair of elements of S , the binary operator specifies a rule for obtaining a unique elements of S .
 2. **Associative law** : $(x*y)*z=x*(y*z)$ for all $x,y,z \in S$
 3. **Commutative law** : $x*y=y*x$ for all $x,y \in S$
 4. **Identity elements**: for all $x \in S$, $e*x=x*e=x$
ex) set of integers $I=\{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$,
 $x+0=0+x=x$
 5. **Inverse** : A set S having the identity element e for all $x \in S$, exists $y \in S$, such that $x*y=e$
 6. **Distributive law** : $x*(y \circ z)=(x*y) \circ (x*z)$
 $*$ is distributive over \circ

Axiomatic Definition of Boolean Algebra

- Closure with respect to the operator $+$
 - Closure with respect to the operator $*$
- An identity element with respect to $+$, designed by 0 : $x+0=0+x=x$
 - An identity element with respect to $*$, designed by 1 : $x*1=1*x=x$
- Commutative with respect to $+$: $x+y=y+x$
 - Commutative with respect to $*$: $x*y=y*x$
- $*$ is distributive over $+$: $x*(y+z)=(x*y)+(x*z)$
 - $+$ is distributive over $*$: $x+(y*z)=(x+y)*(x+z)$
- For every element $x \in B$, there exists an element $x' \in B$ (called the complement of x) such that (a) $x+x'=1$ and (b) $x*x'=0$.
- There exists at least two elements $x, y \in B$ such that $x \neq y$.

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Two-valued Boolean Algebra

x	y	$x \cdot y$	x	y	$x + y$	x	x'
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	1		
1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1		

- Show 6 postulates
- Show *distributive* law $x \cdot (y + z) = (x \cdot y) + (x \cdot z)$

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Basic Theorems and Properties of Boolean Algebra

Table 2-1
Postulates and Theorems of Boolean Algebra

Postulate 2	(a) $x + 0 = x$	(b) $x \cdot 1 = x$
Postulate 5	(a) $x + x' = 1$	(b) $x \cdot x' = 0$
Theorem 1	(a) $x + x = x$	(b) $x \cdot x = x$
Theorem 2	(a) $x + 1 = 1$	(b) $x \cdot 0 = 0$
Theorem 3, involution	$(x')' = x$	
Postulate 3, commutative	(a) $x + y = y + x$	(b) $xy = yx$
Theorem 4, associative	(a) $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$	(b) $x(yz) = (xy)z$
Postulate 4, distributive	(a) $x(y + z) = xy + xz$	(b) $x + yz = (x + y)(x + z)$
Theorem 5, DeMorgan	(a) $(x + y)' = x'y'$	(b) $(xy)' = x' + y'$
Theorem 6, absorption	(a) $x + xy = x$	(b) $x(x + y) = x$

- Duality
- Postulates need no proof

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Prove Theorems

Theorem 1(a)

$$x + x = x$$

$$x + x = (x + x) \cdot 1$$

$$= (x + x) \cdot (x + x')$$

$$= x + xx'$$

$$= x + 0$$

$$= x$$

Theorem 1(b)

$$x \cdot x = x$$

$$x \cdot x = x \cdot x + 0$$

$$= x \cdot x + x \cdot x'$$

$$= x \cdot (x + x')$$

$$= x \cdot 1$$

$$= x$$

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DeMorgan's Theorem

$$(x + y)' = x'y'$$

$$(xy)' = x' + y'$$

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Operator Procedure

1. Parentheses
2. NOT
3. AND
4. OR

Examples

$$(x + y)'$$

$$x'y'$$

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Boolean Functions

- **Boolean algebra** is an algebra that deals with binary variables and logic operations.
- **Boolean functions** consists of binary variables, the constants 0 and 1, and the logic operation symbols.
- A Boolean function can be represented in **a truth table**.
- A Boolean function expresses the logical relationship between binary variables.
- **A Boolean functions** can be transformed from an algebraic expression into a circuit diagram composed of logic gates.

$$F_1 = x + y'z$$

- The function F_1 is equal to 1 if x is equal to 1 or if both y' and z are equal to 1.
- Otherwise, F_1 is equal to 0.

Boolean Functions

Table 2-2
Truth Tables for F_1 and F_2

x	y	z	F_1	F_2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0

- $F_1 = x + y'z$
- $F_2 = x'y'z + x'yz + xy'$
 $= x'z(y' + y) + xy'$
 $= x'z + xy'$
- Variety of algebraic form, but one truth table

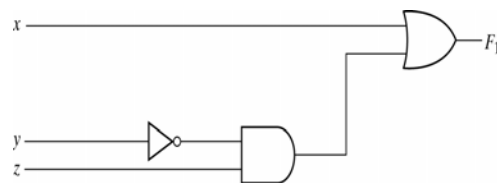
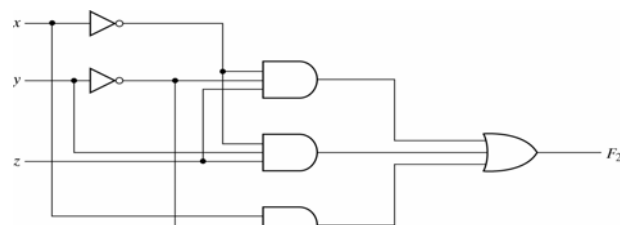


Fig. 2-1 Gate implementation of $F_1 = x + y'z$



(a) $F_2 = x'y'z + x'yz + xy'$



(b) $F_2 = xy' + x'z$

Fig. 2-2 Implementation of Boolean function F_2 with gates

Boolean Functions – Algebraic Manipulation

- Ex 2-1) Simplify the following Boolean functions to a minimum number of literals.
 - $x(x'+y) = xx' + xy = 0 + xy = xy.$
 - $x + x'y = (x+x')(x+y) = 1(x+y) = x + y.$
 - $(x+y)(x+y') = x + xy + xy' + yy' = x(1+y+y') = x.$
 - $xy + x'z + yz = xy + x'z + yz(x+x')$
 $= xy + x'z + xyz + x'yz$
 $= xy(1+z) + x'z(1+y)$
 $= xy + x'z$
 - $(x+y)(x'+z)(y+z) = (x+y)(x'+z) : \text{ by duality from function 4.}$

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Boolean Functions – Complement of a Function

- $(A + B + C)' = (A+x)'$ let $B+C=x$
 $= A'x'$ by theorem 5(a)(DeMorgan)
 $= A'(B+C)'$ substitute $B+C=x$
 $= A'(B'C')$ by theorem 5(a) (DeMorgan)
 $= A'B'C'$ by theorem 4(b)(associative)
 $\Rightarrow (A+B+C+D+\dots+F)' = A'B'C'D'\dots F'$
 $(ABCD\dots F)' = A' + B' + C' + D' + \dots + F'$
 \rightarrow Generalized form of Demorgan's theorem

Interchanging AND and OR, and complementing each literal

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Examples – Complement of a Function

- Ex 2-2) Find the complement of the functions
 $F_1 = x'yz' + x'y'z$, $F_2 = x(y'z' + yz)$.
 $F_1' = (x'yz' + x'y'z)' = (x'yz')'(x'y'z)' = (x+y'+z)(x+y+z')$
 $F_2' = [x(y'z' + yz)]' = x' + (y'z' + yz)' = x' + (y'z')'(yz)' = x' + (y+z)(y'+z')$
- Ex 2-3) Find the complement of the functions F_1 And F_2 Ex 2-2 by taking their duals and complementing each literal.
 - $F_1 = x'yz' + x'y'z$.
The dual of F_1 is $(x'+y+z')(x'+y'+z)$
Complement each literal : $(x+y'+z)(x+y+z') = F_1'$
 - $F_2 = x(y'z' + yz)$.
The dual of F_2 is $x+(y'+z')(y+z)$ 이다.
Complement each literal : $x' + (y+z)(y'+z') = F_2'$

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Examples

- Simplify the following Boolean expressions to a minimum number of literals
 - $xy + xy'$
 - $(x+y)(x+y')$
 - $xyz + x'y + xyz'$
 - $(A+B)'(A'+B)'$
- Reduce the following Boolean expressions to the indicated number of literals:
 - $A'C' + ABC + AC'$ to 3 literals
 - $(x'y'+z)'+z+xy+wz$ to 3 literals

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Canonical Forms

- ◆ A binary variable x , may appear (x) or (x')
- ◆ Consider two binary variables x and y
- ◆ Combined with an AND operation
- ◆ Four possible combinations: $x'y'$, $x'y$, xy' , and xy
 - is called a **minterm**, or a **standard product**
- ◆ n variables can be combined to form 2^n minterms
- ◆ In a similar fashion, n variables forming an OR term provide 2^n possible combinations, called **maxterms**, or **standard sums**.
- ◆ A **Boolean function** can be **expressed** algebraically from a given truth table by forming a **minterm** and then **taking the OR** of all those terms.

Canonical Forms

- Minterms and Maxterms

Table 2-3
Minterms and Maxterms for Three Binary Variables

x	y	z	Minterms		Maxterms	
			Term	Designation	Term	Designation
0	0	0	$x'y'z'$	m_0	$x + y + z$	M_0
0	0	1	$x'y'z$	m_1	$x + y + z'$	M_1
0	1	0	$x'yz'$	m_2	$x + y' + z$	M_2
0	1	1	$x'yz$	m_3	$x + y' + z'$	M_3
1	0	0	$xy'z'$	m_4	$x' + y + z$	M_4
1	0	1	$xy'z$	m_5	$x' + y + z'$	M_5
1	1	0	xyz'	m_6	$x' + y' + z$	M_6
1	1	1	xyz	m_7	$x' + y' + z'$	M_7

Complement

Canonical Forms

- Any Boolean function can be expressed as a sum of minterms (with “sum” meaning the ORing of terms).

Table 2-4
Functions of Three Variables

x	y	z	Function f_1	Function f_2
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

$$f_1 = x'y'z + xy'z' + xyz = m1 + m4 + m7$$

$$f_2 = x'yz + xy'z + xyz' + xyz = m3 + m5 + m6 + m7$$

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Canonical Forms

- Any Boolean function can be expressed as a product of maxterms (with “product” meaning the ANDing of terms).

$$f'_1 = x'y'z' + x'yz' + x'yz + xy'z + xyz'$$

$$f_1 = (x+y+z)(x+y'+z)(x+y'+z')(x'+y+z')(x'+y'+z) = M_0M_2M_3M_5M_6$$

$$f_2 = (x+y+z)(x+y+z')(x+y'+z)(x'+y+z) = M_0M_1M_2M_4$$

- Boolean functions expressed as a sum of minterms or product of maxterms are said to be in **canonical form**.

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Canonical Forms

- Ex 2-4) Express the Boolean function $F=A+B'C$ in a sum of minterms.

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= A(B+B') = AB + AB' \\
 &= AB(C+C') + AB'(C+C') \\
 &= ABC + ABC' + AB'C + AB'C' \\
 B'C &= B'C(A+A') = AB'C + A'B'C \\
 F &= A + B'C \\
 &= A'B'C + AB'C' + AB'C + ABC' + ABC \\
 &= m_1 + m_4 + m_5 + m_6 + m_7 \\
 &= \sum(1, 4, 5, 6, 7)
 \end{aligned}$$

Table 2-5
Truth Table for $F = A + B'C$

A	B	C	F
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

Canonical Forms

- Product of maxterms
- Ex 2-5) Express the Boolean function $F = xy + x'z$ in a product of maxterm form.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= xy + x'z = (xy+x')(xy+z) \\
 &= (x+x')(y+x')(x+z)(y+z) \\
 &= (x'+y)(x+z)(y+z) \\
 x' + y &= x' + y + zz' = (x'+y+z)(x'+y+z') \\
 x + z &= x + z + yy' = (x+y+z)(x+y'+z) \\
 y + z &= y + z + xx' = (x+y+z)(x'+y+z) \\
 F &= (x+y+z)(x+y'+z)(x'+y+z)(x'+y+z') \\
 &= M_0 M_2 M_4 M_5 \\
 F(x, y, z) &= \prod(0, 2, 4, 5)
 \end{aligned}$$

Canonical Forms

- Conversion between Canonical Forms

$$F(A, B, C) = \sum(1, 4, 5, 6, 7)$$

$$F'(A, B, C) = \sum(0, 2, 3) = m_0 + m_2 + m_3$$

$$F = (m_0 + m_2 + m_3)' = m_0' m_2' m_3' = M_0 M_2 M_3 = \prod(0, 2, 3), m_j' = M_j$$

Ex) $F = xy + x'z$

$$F(x, y, z) = \sum(1, 3, 6, 7)$$

$$F(x, y, z) = \prod(0, 2, 4, 5)$$

Table 2-6
Truth Table for $F = xy + x'z$

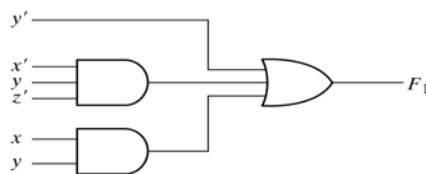
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Standard Forms

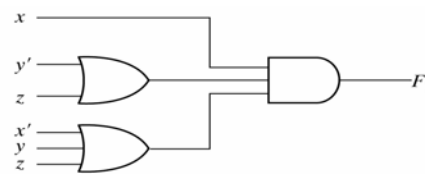
- Standard Forms: don't need to contain all the variables

- Sum of product : $F_1 = y' + xy + x'yz'$

- Product of sum : $F_2 = x(y'+z)(x'+y+z'+w)$



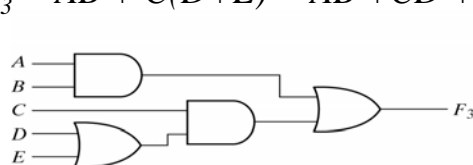
(a) Sum of Products



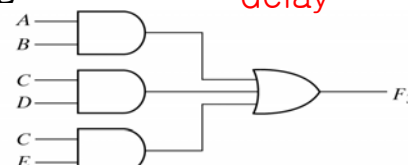
(b) Product of Sums

Fig. 2-3 Two-level implementation

- Ex) $F_3 = AB + C(D+E) = AB + CD + CE$



(a) $AB + C(D + E)$



(b) $AB + CD + CE$

Preferred why ?
delay

Fig. 2-4 Three- and Two-Level implementation

Examples

1. Obtain the truth table of the following functions and express each function in sum of minterms and product of maxterms:

(a) $(xy + z)(y + xz)$ (b) $(A' + B)(B' + C)$

(c) $y'z + wxy' + wxz' + w'x'z$

2. Convert the following to the other canonical form:

(a) $F(x, y, z) = \sum(1,3,7)$

(b) $F(A, B, C, D) = \prod(0,1,2,3,4,6,12)$

Other Logic Operations

Truth Tables for the 16 Functions of Two Binary Variables

x	y	F ₀	F ₁	F ₂	F ₃	F ₄	F ₅	F ₆	F ₇	F ₈	F ₉	F ₁₀	F ₁₁	F ₁₂	F ₁₃	F ₁₄	F ₁₅
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
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Number of possible Boolean function for n binary variables is 2^{2^n}



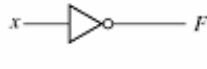
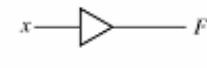
Other Logic Operations

Boolean Expressions for the 16 Functions of Two Variables

Boolean functions	Operator symbol	Name	Comments
$F_0 = 0$		Null	Binary constant 0
$F_1 = xy$	$x \cdot y$	AND	x and y
$F_2 = xy'$	x/y	Inhibition	x , but not y
$F_3 = x$		Transfer	x'
$F_4 = x'y$	y/x	Inhibition	y , but not x
$F_5 = y$		Transfer	y
$F_6 = xy' + x'y$	$x \oplus y$	Exclusive-OR	x or y , but not both
$F_7 = x + y$	$x + y$	OR	x or y
$F_8 = (x + y)'$	$x \downarrow y$	NOR	Not-OR
$F_9 = xy + x'y'$	$(x \oplus y)'$	Equivalence	x equals y
$F_{10} = y'$	y'	Complement	Not y
$F_{11} = x + y'$	$x \subset y$	Implication	If y , then x
$F_{12} = x'$	x'	Complement	Not x
$F_{13} = x' + y$	$x \supset y$	Implication	If x , then y
$F_{14} = (xy)'$	$x \uparrow y$	NAND	Not-AND
$F_{15} = 1$		Identity	Binary constant 1

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Digital Logic Gates

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From 16 functions only eight are used as standard gates

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NAND and NOR are more popular than AND and OR since those can be easily constructed with TR

Fig. 2-5 Digital logic gates

Digital Logic Gate—Extension to Multiple Inputs

- AND and OR are commutative and associative → gate can be extended to multiple inputs
- But, NAND and NOR operators are not associative.

$$(x \downarrow y) \downarrow z \neq x \downarrow (y \downarrow z)$$

$$(x \downarrow y) \downarrow z = [(x+y)' + z]'$$

$$= (x+y)z' = xz' + yz'$$

$$x \downarrow (y \downarrow z) = [x + (y+z)']'$$

$$= x'(y+z) = x'y + x'z$$

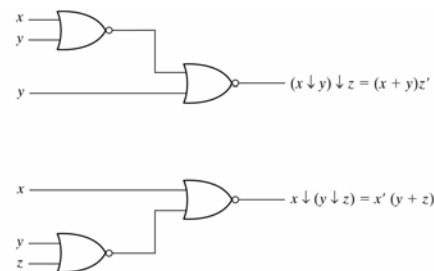


Fig. 2-6 Demonstrating the nonassociativity of the NOR operator; $(x \downarrow y) \downarrow z \neq x \downarrow (y \downarrow z)$

- To overcome, redefine
- $$x \downarrow y \downarrow z = (x+y+z)'$$
- $$x \uparrow y \uparrow z = (xyz)'$$

$$F = [(ABC)'(DE)']' = ABC + DE$$

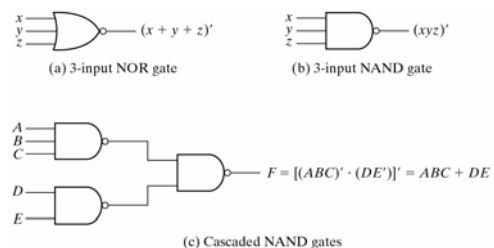
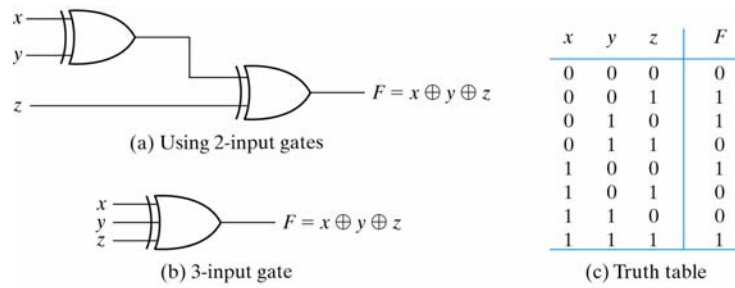


Fig. 2-7 Multiple-input and cascaded NOR and NAND gates

Digital Logic Gate

- exclusive-OR



Commutative,
associative
Odd function

Fig. 2-8 3-input exclusive-OR gate

- Positive and Negative Logic

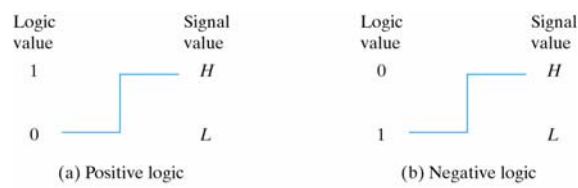


Fig. 2-9 signal assignment and logic polarity