



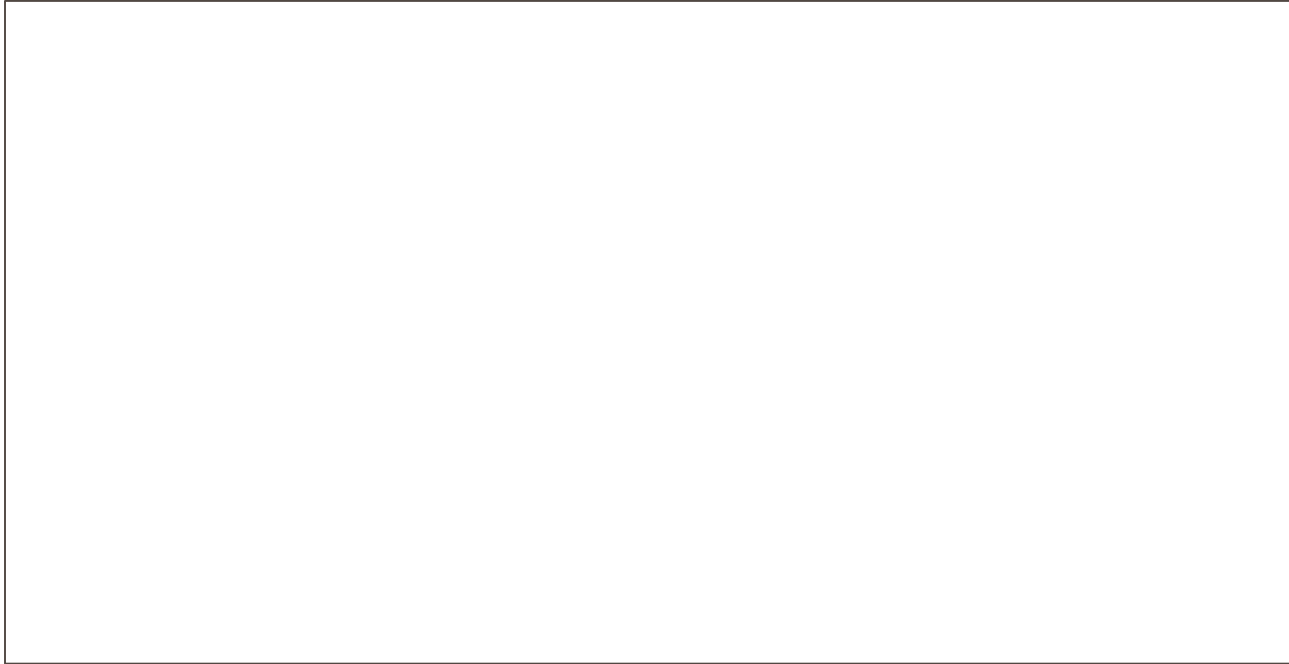
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Week-2, Lecture-3 Boolean Algebra

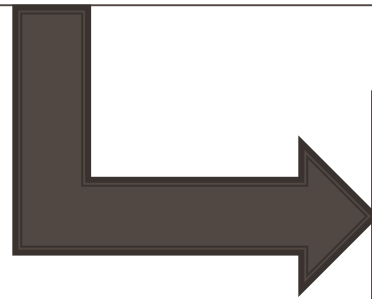
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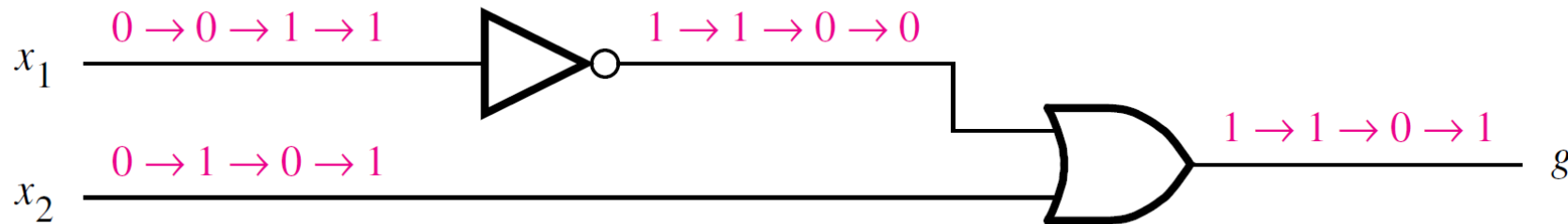


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Logic Functions and
Logic Gates

Logic Network Analysis: Function $g(x_1, x_2)$



Analysis: Find the function that is represented by the above Logic Network

Approach:

a) Write the Logic Function

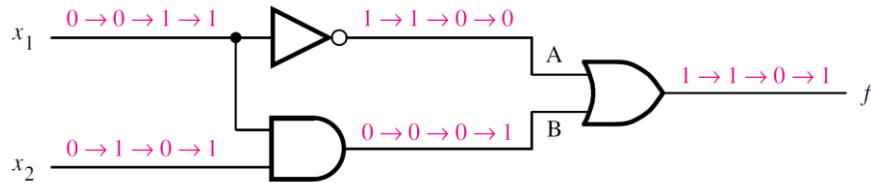
b) Write the Truth Table

Logic Function:

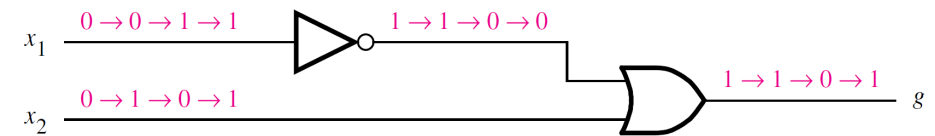
$$g(x_1, x_2) = \overline{x_1} + x_2$$

x_1	x_2	$g(x_1, x_2)$
0	0	1
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

Functionally Equivalent Networks (1)



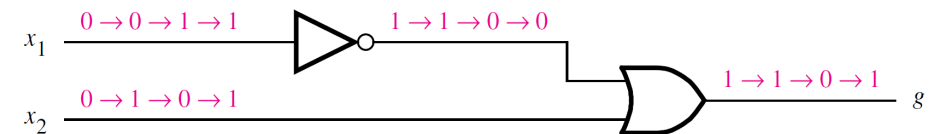
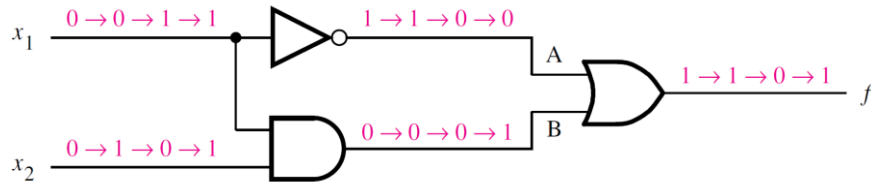
x_1	x_2	A	B	$f(x_1, x_2)$
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0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1



x_1	x_2	$g(x_1, x_2)$
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- Truth table of two logic networks are exactly same
- Therefore, the two networks implement the same function
- Such networks are called **functionally equivalent network**

Functionally Equivalent Networks (2)



Which of the two logic networks is preferable?

- The function $g(x_1, x_2)$ is preferred because it has less number of logic gates

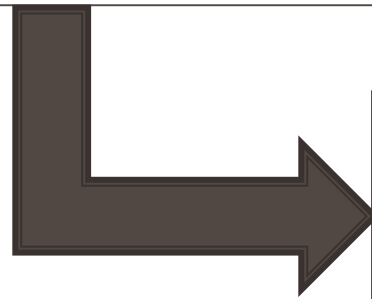
How to find whether two logic networks are functionally equivalent?

- We have established equivalence by comparing truth table
- $\overline{x_1} + x_1 \cdot x_2 \equiv \overline{x_1} + x_2$

Can we establish equivalence by algebraic techniques?

- Yes, using **Boolean Algebra**

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Boolean Algebra

Boolean Algebra: Introduction

- *George Boole: scheme for algebraic description of processes involved in **logical thought and reasoning** (1849)*
 - This scheme later got refined and became known as **Boolean Algebra**
 - In 1930s Claude Shannon showed that Boolean algebra can be used to describe circuits built with switches
 - Effective tool for **analysis and synthesis** of digital circuits
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- Boolean algebra is based on a set of rules that are derived from a small number of basic assumptions (**axioms**)

Boolean Algebra: *Axioms*

- Elements can take one of the two values: $\{0, 1\}$
- Operators “.” and “+”

S.No.	(a)	(b)
1	$0.0 = 0$	$1 + 1 = 1$
2	$1.1 = 1$	$0 + 0 = 0$
3	$0.1 = 1.0 = 0$	$1 + 0 = 0 + 1 = 1$
4	If $x = 0$, then $\bar{x} = 1$	If $x = 1$, then $\bar{x} = 0$

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Using above axioms, theorems can be proven by perfect induction.

Prove by induction: $x.0 = 0$

Solution:

If $x = 0$, then $x.0 = 0.0 = 0$ [By 1(a)]

If $x = 1$, then $x.0 = 1.0 = 0$ [By 3(a)]

Prove by induction (For your practice):

$$x + 1 = 1$$

$$x.1 = x$$

$$x + 0 = x$$

$$x.x = x$$

$$x + x = x$$

$$x.x' = 0$$

$$x + x' = 1$$

$$(x')' = x$$

Boolean Algebra: *Dual* of a logical expression

- Given a logical expression, its dual expression is obtained by:
 - Replace all “+” operator by “.” operator and vice versa
 - Replace all zeros with ones, and vice versa

Find the dual for the following expression: $x.\bar{z} + y$

Ans: $(x + \bar{z}).y$ [care should be taken to account for precedence]

Find the dual for the following expression: $(x.y + 0).z$

Ans: $((x + y).1) + z$

Boolean Algebra: *Principle of Duality*

The dual of a true statement is also true.

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Statements in column (a) and (b) are duals of each other

Boolean Algebra: *Huntington's Postulates*

- In 1904, E. V. Huntington defined Boolean algebra by providing 6 postulates that must be satisfied.

- Set of elements of a Boolean Algebra is represented by B
- Two operators are defined “.” and “+”

Postulate 1: Closure

- a) The structure is closed with respect to the operator +
- b) The structure is close with respect to the operator .

Boolean Algebra: *Huntington's Postulates*

Postulate 2: Identity Element

- a) The element 0 is the identity element with respect to +

$$x + 0 = 0 + x = x$$

- b) The element 1 is the identity element with respect to .

$$x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x$$

Postulate 3: Commutative Property

- a) The structure is commutative with respect to +

$$x + y = y + x$$

- b) The structure is commutative with respect to .

$$x \cdot y = y \cdot x$$

Boolean Algebra: *Huntington's Postulates*

Postulate 4: Distributive Property

a) The operator \cdot is distributive over $+$

$$x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$$

b) The operator $+$ is distributive over \cdot

$$x + (y \cdot z) = (x + y) \cdot (x + z)$$

Postulate 5: Existence of a complement

For every element $x \in B$, there exists $x' \in B$ such that:

a. $x + x' = 1$

b. $x \cdot x' = 0$

Boolean Algebra: *Huntington's Postulates*

Postulate 6: Distinct elements

- There exist at least two elements $x, y \in B$ such that $x \neq y$
- ***Two valued Boolean algebra***: $B = \{0, 1\}$, $0 \neq 1$
- In this course we will consider only ***Two valued Boolean algebra***

We will use Huntington's Postulate to:

- Prove Theorems in Boolean Algebra
- Prove equivalence of two circuits
- Minimize circuits [represent with less number of logic gates]

Theorems Proof Using *Huntington's Postulates*

Prove using Huntington's Postulates:
 $x + 1 = 1$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & x + 1 \\ &= 1 \cdot (x + 1) \\ &= (x + x') \cdot (x + 1) \\ &= x + x' \cdot 1 \\ &= x + x' \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$2(a) \ x + 0 = 0 + x = x$$

$$2(b) \ x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x$$

$$3(a) \ x + y = y + x$$

$$3(b) \ x \cdot y = y \cdot x$$

$$4(a) \ x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$$

$$4(b) \ x + (y \cdot z) = (x + y) \cdot (x + z)$$

$$5(a) \ x + x' = 1$$

$$5(b) \ x \cdot x' = 0$$

By Duality: $x \cdot 0 = 0$

Theorems Proof Using *Huntington's Postulates*

Prove using Huntington's Postulates:

$$x + x = x$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & x + x \\ &= (x + x) \cdot 1 \\ &= (x + x) \cdot (x + x') \\ &= x + xx' \\ &= x + 0 \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{2(a)} \quad x + 0 = 0 + x = x$$

$$2(b) \quad x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x$$

$$3(a) \quad x + y = y + x$$

$$3(b) \quad x \cdot y = y \cdot x$$

$$4(a) \quad x \cdot (y + z) = x \cdot y + x \cdot z$$

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By Duality: $x \cdot x = x$

Theorems Proof Using *Huntington's Postulates*

Prove using Huntington's Postulates:

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

Solution:

$$x.(x' + y)$$

$$=x.x' + xy$$

$$=0 + xy$$

$$=xy$$

$$\mathbf{2(a)} \quad x + 0 = 0 + x = x$$

$$2(b) \quad x.1 = 1.x = x$$

$$3(a) \quad x + y = y + x$$

$$3(b) \quad x.y = y.x$$

$$4(a) \quad x.(y + z) = x.y + x.z$$

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$$5(b) \quad x.x' = 0$$

Theorems Proof Using *Huntington's Postulates*

Prove using Huntington's Postulates:

$$x + x'.y = x + y$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & x + x'.y \\ &= (x + x').(x + y) \\ &= 1.(x + y) \\ &= x + y \end{aligned}$$

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