



# Chapter 3

## Boolean Algebra, Logic Functions and Logic Gates (Part 1)

# Binary Logic

- consists of binary variables and logical operations
- resembles binary arithmetic
- use and application of binary logic are demonstrated by switching circuits
- Equivalent to Boolean Algebra

# Boolean Algebra

- a set of elements, a set of operators, and a number of unproven axioms or postulates
- developed by an English mathematician named George Boole

# Boolean Operations

- AND
  - represented by a **dot** or the **absence of an operator**.
  - 0 dominates

| x | y | xy |
|---|---|----|
| 0 | 0 | 0  |
| 0 | 1 | 0  |
| 1 | 0 | 0  |
| 1 | 1 | 1  |

# Boolean Operations

- OR
  - represented by a **plus sign**.
  - 1 dominates

| x | y | $x+y$ |
|---|---|-------|
| 0 | 0 | 0     |
| 0 | 1 | 1     |
| 1 | 0 | 1     |
| 1 | 1 | 1     |

# Boolean Operations

- NOT
  - represented by a prime
  - Inversion or complementation

| x | x' |
|---|----|
| 0 | 1  |
| 1 | 0  |



# Boolean Theorems

- Boolean operations on constants
- Boolean operations on one variable
- Boolean operations on two or more variables

# Boolean Operations on constants

| AND             | OR          | NOT      |
|-----------------|-------------|----------|
| $0 \cdot 0 = 0$ | $0 + 0 = 0$ | $0' = 1$ |
| $0 \cdot 1 = 0$ | $0 + 1 = 1$ | $1' = 0$ |
| $1 \cdot 0 = 0$ | $1 + 0 = 1$ |          |
| $1 \cdot 1 = 1$ | $1 + 1 = 1$ |          |



# Boolean Operations on one variable

| AND              | OR           | NOT       |
|------------------|--------------|-----------|
| $A \cdot 0 = 0$  | $A + 0 = A$  | $A'' = A$ |
| $A \cdot 1 = A$  | $A + 1 = 1$  |           |
| $A \cdot A = A$  | $A + A = A$  |           |
| $A \cdot A' = 0$ | $A + A' = 1$ |           |

# Boolean Operations On Two or More Variables

- Commutative laws

$$A + B = B + A$$

$$AB = BA$$

- Associative laws

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$$

$$A(BC) = (AB)C$$

- Distributive laws

$$A(B + C) = AB + AC$$

$$A + (BC) = (A + B)(A + C)$$

- De Morgan's laws

$$(A + B)' = A'B'$$

$$(AB)' = A' + B'$$

# Boolean Operations On Two or More Variables

- Laws of Absorption

$$A + AB = A$$

$$A(A+B) = A$$

# Boolean Functions

- Boolean functions are expressions formed with binary variables and boolean operators
- Representations of boolean functions:
  - Algebraic expression
  - Truth table

# Algebraic Expression Examples

- $F_1 = xyz'$
- $F_2 = x + y'z$
- $F_3 = x'z + xy'$
- $F_4 = x'$
- $F_5 = 1$

# Truth table examples

| x | y | z | F <sub>1</sub> | F <sub>2</sub> | F <sub>3</sub> | F <sub>4</sub> | F <sub>5</sub> |
|---|---|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0              | 0              | 0              | 1              | 1              |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0              | 1              | 1              | 1              | 1              |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0              | 0              | 0              | 1              | 1              |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0              | 0              | 1              | 1              | 1              |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0              | 1              | 1              | 0              | 1              |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0              | 1              | 1              | 0              | 1              |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1              | 1              | 0              | 0              | 1              |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0              | 1              | 0              | 0              | 1              |



# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $F_1 = x + x' y$

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- $$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= x + x' y \\ &= (x + x') (x + y) \end{aligned}$$

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- $F_2 = x(x' + y)$

# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $$\begin{aligned} F_2 &= x(x' + y) \\ &= xx' + xy \end{aligned}$$



# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $$\begin{aligned} F_2 &= x(x' + y) \\ &= xx' + xy \\ &= 0 + xy \end{aligned}$$

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- $$\begin{aligned} F_2 &= x(x' + y) \\ &= xx' + xy \\ &= 0 + xy \\ &= xy \end{aligned}$$

# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $F_3 = xy + xy'$

# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $$\begin{aligned} F_3 &= xy + xy' \\ &= x(y + y') \end{aligned}$$

# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $$\begin{aligned} F_3 &= xy + xy' \\ &= x(y + y') \\ &= x \end{aligned}$$

# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $F_4 = x' y' z + x' y z + x y'$



# Simplification of Boolean functions

- $$\begin{aligned} F_4 &= x' y' z + x' y z + x y' \\ &= x' z (y' + y) + x y' \end{aligned}$$

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# Binary Variables

- Forms of variables
  - normal ( $x$ )
  - complement ( $x'$ )
- Forms of terms (variables  $x$  and  $y$ )
  - Minterms  $m_i$  (or standard product)  
$$x'y', x'y, xy', xy$$
  - Maxterms  $M_i$  (or standard sum)  
$$x+y, x+y', x'+y, x'+y'$$

# Minterms and Maxterms for 3 variables

|   |   |   | MINTERM  |             | MAXTERM    |             |
|---|---|---|----------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| x | y | z | Term     | Designation | Term       | Designation |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | $x'y'z'$ | m0          | $x+y+z$    | M0          |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | $x'y'z$  | m1          | $x+y+z'$   | M1          |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | $x'yz'$  | m2          | $x+y'+z$   | M2          |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | $x'yz$   | m3          | $x+y'+z'$  | M3          |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | $xy'z'$  | m4          | $x'+y+z$   | M4          |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | $xy'z$   | m5          | $x'+y+z'$  | M5          |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | $xyz'$   | m6          | $x'+y'+z$  | M6          |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | $xyz$    | m7          | $x'+y'+z'$ | M7          |

# Forms of Boolean Functions

- Canonical Form
  - Sum of minterms

$$F(x,y,z) = xyz' + x'yz$$

- Product of maxterms

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

# Forms of Boolean Functions

- Standard Form
  - Sum of products

$$F(x,y,z) = xz' + y$$

- Product of sums

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