# More Logic Functions: NAND, NOR, XOR

#### **Overview**

- More 2-input logic gates (NAND, NOR, XOR)
- Extensions to 3-input gates
- Converting between sum-of-products and NANDs
  - SOP to NANDs
  - NANDs to SOP
- Converting between sum-of-products and NORs
  - SOP to NORs
  - NORs to SOP
- Positive and negative logic
  - We use primarily positive logic in this course.

## **Logic functions of N variables**

- Each truth table represents one possible function (e.g. AND, OR)
- ° If there are N inputs, there are 22
- For example, is N is 2 then there are 16 possible truth tables.
- So far, we have defined 2 of these functions
  - 14 more are possible.
- ° Why consider new functions?
  - · Cheaper hardware, more flexibility.

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0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

#### The NAND Gate



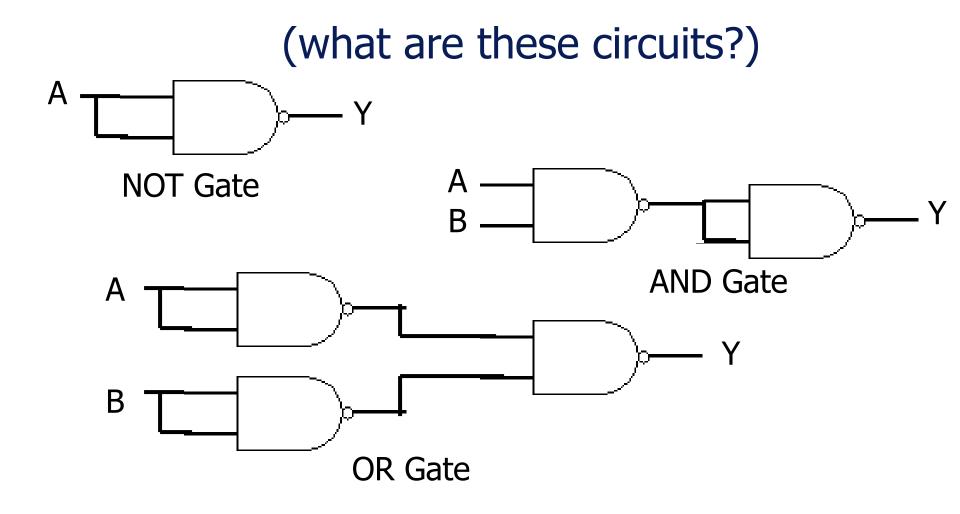
- This is a NAND gate. It is a combination of an AND gate followed by an inverter. Its truth table shows this...
- NAND gates have several interesting properties...
  - NAND(a,a)=(aa)' = a' = NOT(a)
  - NAND'(a,b)=(ab)" = ab = AND(a,b)
  - NAND(a',b')=(a'b')' = a+b = OR(a,b)

Α	В	Υ
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0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

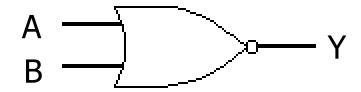
#### The NAND Gate

- These three properties show that a NAND gate with both of its inputs driven by the same signal is equivalent to a NOT gate
- A NAND gate whose output is complemented is equivalent to an AND gate, and a NAND gate with complemented inputs acts as an OR gate.
- Therefore, we can use a NAND gate to implement all three of the elementary operators (AND,OR,NOT).
- Therefore, ANY switching function can be constructed using only NAND gates. Such a gate is said to be primitive or functionally complete.

### **NAND Gates into Other Gates**



#### The NOR Gate



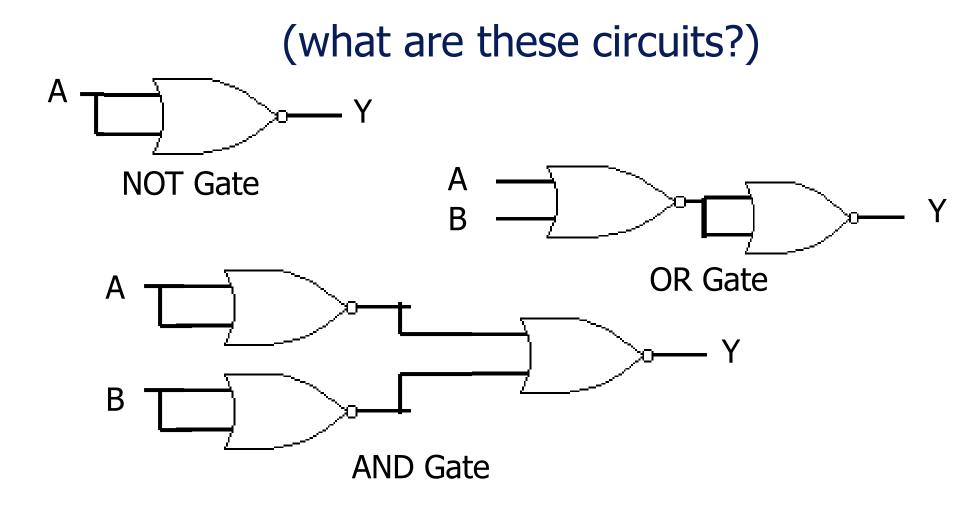
- This is a NOR gate. It is a combination of an OR gate followed by an inverter. It's truth table shows this...
- NOR gates also have several interesting properties...
  - NOR(a,a)=(a+a)' = a' = NOT(a)
  - NOR'(a,b)=(a+b)" = a+b = OR(a,b)
  - NOR(a',b')=(a'+b')' = ab = AND(a,b)

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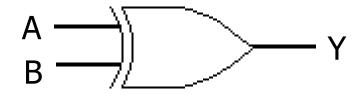
## **Functionally Complete Gates**

- Oust like the NAND gate, the NOR gate is functionally complete...any logic function can be implemented using just NOR gates.
- Both NAND and NOR gates are very valuable as any design can be realized using either one.
- It is easier to build an IC chip using all NAND or NOR gates than to combine AND,OR, and NOT gates.
- NAND/NOR gates are typically faster at switching and cheaper to produce.

### **NOR Gates into Other Gates**



# The XOR Gate (Exclusive-OR)

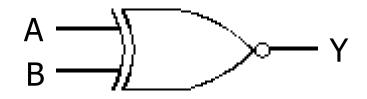


- This is a XOR gate.
- XOR gates assert their output when exactly one of the inputs is asserted, hence the name.
- ° The switching algebra symbol for this operation is ⊕, i.e.

$$1 \oplus 1 = 0$$
 and  $1 \oplus 0 = 1$ .

А	В	Υ
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

#### The XNOR Gate

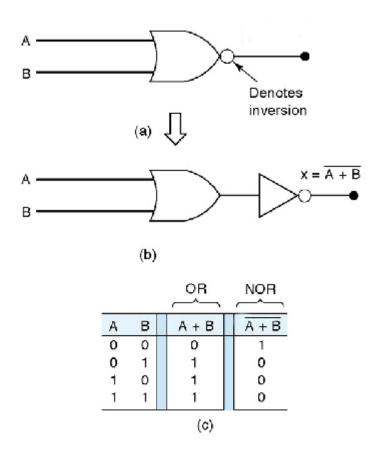


- This is a XNOR gate.
- This functions as an exclusive-NOR gate, or simply the complement of the XOR gate.
- The switching algebra symbol for this operation is ⊙, i.e.
  1 ⊙ 1 = 1 and 1 ⊙ 0 = 0.

Α	В	Υ
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

# **NOR Gate Equivalence**

# ° NOR Symbol, Equivalent Circuit, Truth Table



# **DeMorgan's Theorem**

° A key theorem in simplifying Boolean algebra expression is DeMorgan's Theorem. It states:

$$(a + b)' = a'b'$$
  $(ab)' = a' + b'$ 

Complement the expression
 a(b + z(x + a')) and simplify.

$$(a(b+z(x+a')))' = a' + (b + z(x + a'))'$$

$$= a' + b'(z(x + a'))'$$

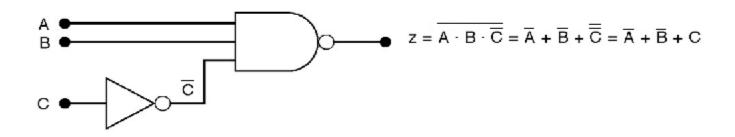
$$= a' + b'(z' + (x + a')')$$

$$= a' + b'(z' + x'a'')$$

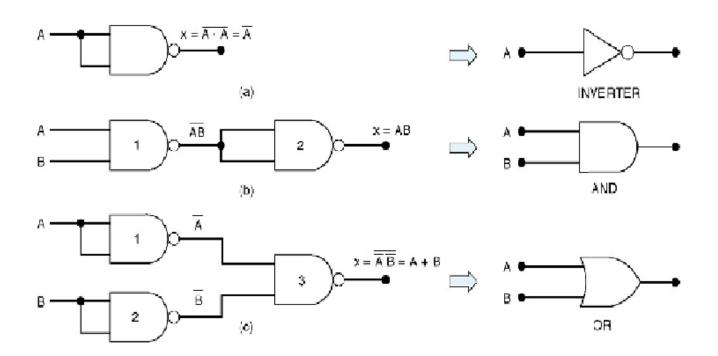
$$= a' + b'(z' + x'a)$$

## **Example**

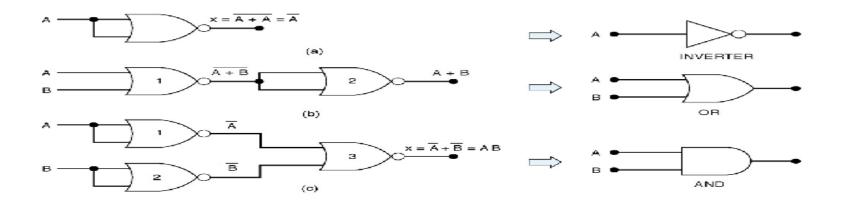
Oetermine the output expression for the below circuit and simplify it using DeMorgan's Theorem



# **Universality of NAND and NOR gates**

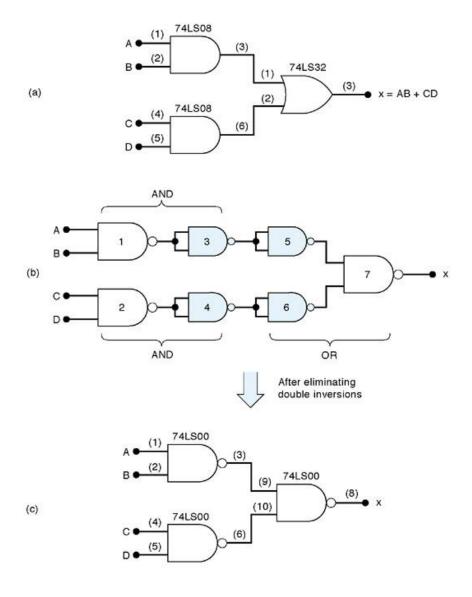


# **Universality of NOR gate**

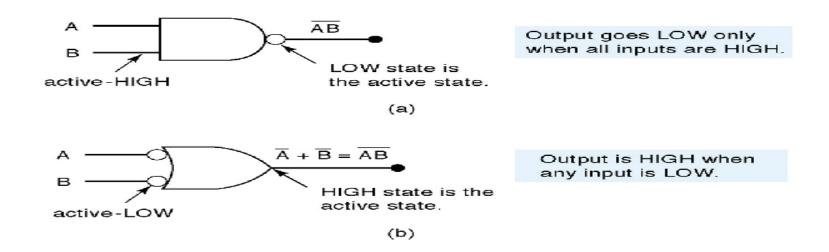


 Equivalent representations of the AND, OR, and NOT gates

# **Example**

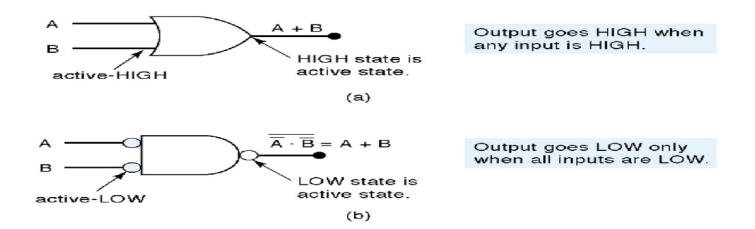


## Interpretation of the two NAND gate symbols



 Determine the output expression for circuit via DeMorgan's Theorem

## Interpretation of the two OR gate symbols



 Determine the output expression for circuit via DeMorgan's Theorem

### **Summary**

- Basic logic functions can be made from NAND, and NOR functions
- The behavior of digital circuits can be represented with waveforms, truth tables, or symbols
- Primitive gates can be combined to form larger circuits
- Boolean algebra defines how binary variables with NAND, NOR can be combined
- DeMorgan's rules are important.
  - Allow conversion to NAND/NOR representations