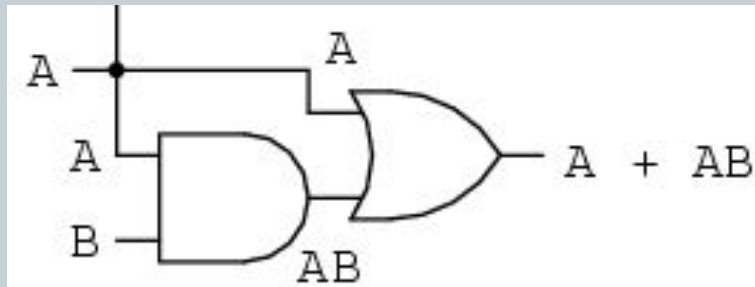


# CIRCUIT SIMPLIFICATION



**BY BOOLEAN ALGEBRA**

# Example 1



$$A + AB$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$A(1 + B)$$

Factoring **A** out of both terms

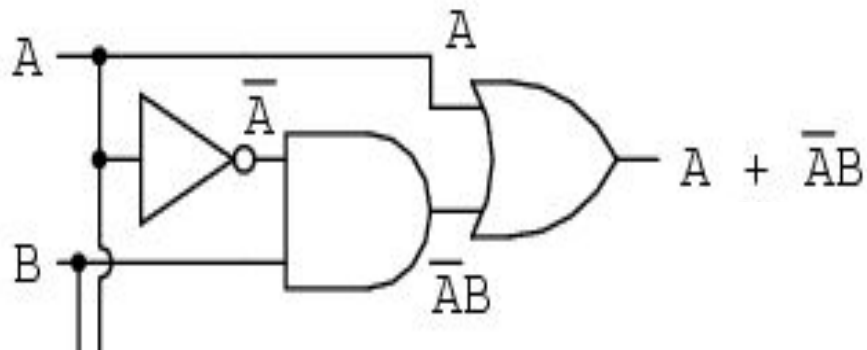
$$\downarrow$$
$$A(1)$$

Applying identity  **$A + 1 = 1$**

$$\downarrow$$
$$A$$

Applying identity  **$1A = A$**

## Example 2



$$A + \bar{A}B$$



Applying the previous rule to expand **A** term

$$\mathbf{A + AB = A}$$

$$A + AB + \bar{A}B$$



Factoring **B** out of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> terms

$$A + B(A + \bar{A})$$



Applying identity  $\mathbf{A + \bar{A} = 1}$

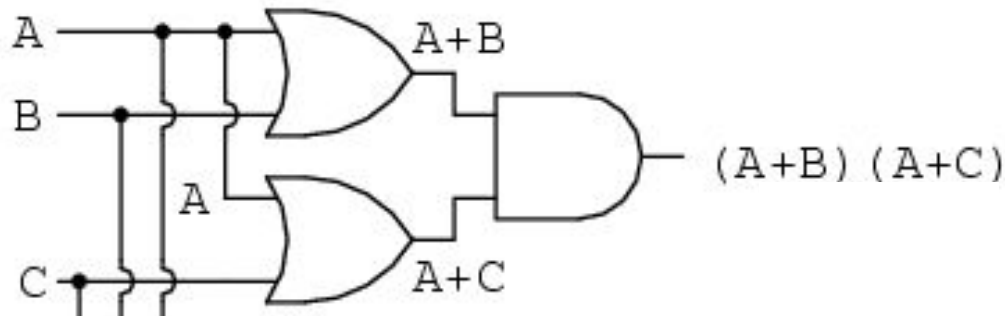
$$A + B(1)$$



Applying identity  $\mathbf{1A = A}$

$$A + B$$

# Example 3



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

Distributing terms

$$AA + AC + AB + BC$$

Applying identity  $AA = A$

$$A + AC + AB + BC$$

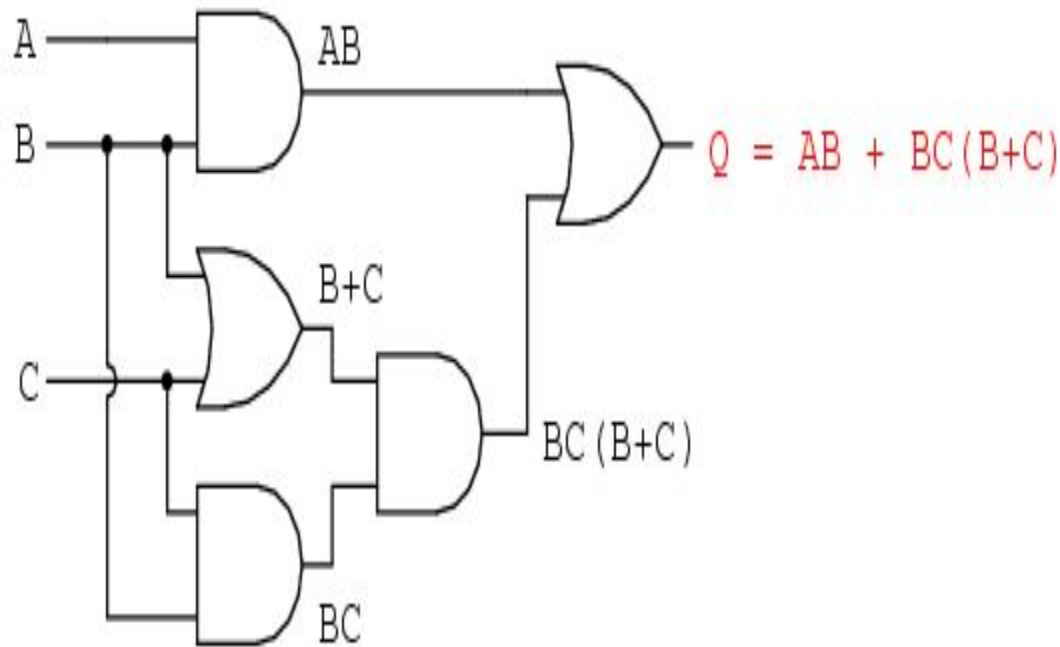
Applying rule  $A + AB = A$   
to the  $A + AC$  term

$$A + AB + BC$$

Applying rule  $A + AB = A$   
to the  $A + AB$  term

$$A + BC$$

# Example 4



$$AB + BC(B + C)$$

Distributing terms

$$AB + BBC + BCC$$

Applying identity  $AA = A$   
to 2nd and 3rd terms

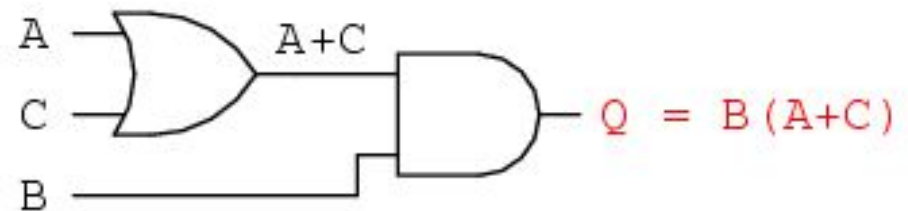
$$AB + BC + BC$$

Applying identity  $A + A = A$   
to 2nd and 3rd terms

$$AB + BC$$

Factoring B out of terms

$$B(A + C)$$



# Variation in Boolean Expressions



**Boolean expression (textbook style):**

$$\overline{A} \ \overline{B} = Y$$

**Boolean expression (keyboard style):**

$$A' \ B' = Y$$

# DeMorgan's Theorems



**First  
theorem:**

$$\overline{A + B} = \overline{A} \ \overline{B}$$

Both used  
to eliminate  
long overbars

**Second  
theorem:**

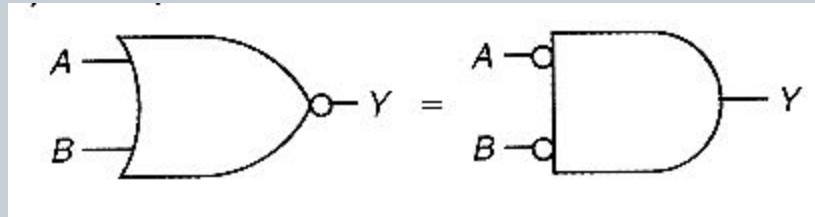
$$\overline{A \ B} = \overline{A} + \overline{B}$$

# DeMorgan's Theorems



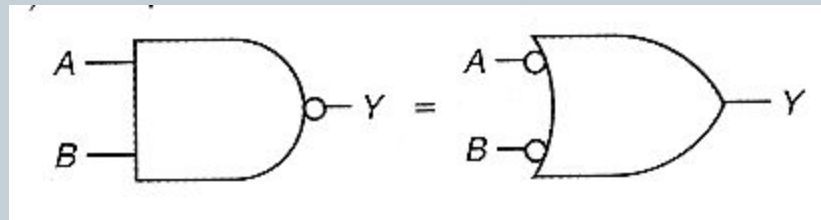
**First  
theorem:**

$$\overline{A + B} = \bar{A} \bar{B}$$



**Second  
theorem:**

$$\overline{\bar{A} \bar{B}} = \bar{\bar{A}} + \bar{\bar{B}}$$





# Basic Identities



1. $X + 0 = X$	2. $X \cdot 1 = X$
3. $X + 1 = 1$	4. $X \cdot 0 = 0$
5. $X + X = X$	6. $X \cdot X = X$
7. $X + \underline{\underline{X}} = 1$	8. $X \cdot \underline{\underline{X}} = 0$
9. $\underline{\underline{X}} = X$ *two dashes means NOT, NOT	
10. $X + Y = Y + X$	11. $XY = YX$
12. $X + (Y + Z) = (X + Y) + Z$	13. $X(YZ) = (XY)Z$
14. $\underline{X}(Y + Z) = XY + XZ$	15. $X + YZ = (X + Y)(X + Z)$
16. $\underline{\underline{X}} + \underline{\underline{Y}} = \underline{\underline{X}} \cdot \underline{\underline{Y}}$	17. $\underline{\underline{X}} \cdot \underline{\underline{Y}} = \underline{\underline{X + Y}}$