

CpE111

Introduction to Computer Engineering

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CH 2. Boolean Algebra & Logic Gates



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Date representation & processing

- In the binary # system, information (data) is represented entirely by using the binary digits (bits) 0 and 1.
- Map 0 and 1 to F (false) and T (true) -> logical operations can be done.
- Ex) Logic cell w/ three input ports & one output port.

One way to define a binary function \Rightarrow Truth tables. (Function)

must be 8, since $2^3 = 8$.

Input			Output
A	B	C	F
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

In general, bit patterns listed in ascending order from all zeros to all ones.

binary function of A, B & C.



called a binary function.

Determined by cell's functionality.

Basic logic operations

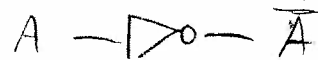
- 1. NOT - changes the value of a variable from 0 to 1 or vice versa.

Ex) truth table

A	\bar{A}
0	1
1	0

→ Simplified notation called the complement of A.

Another way to represent logic functions. ⇒ logic diagrams (≈ pictorial descriptions).



Graphical symbol of NOT function called an inverter. (operation itself is called inversion)

⇒ buffer. Buffer symbol (input = output)

Continued,

- OR gate

OR gate symbol



A
B
C
D



A+B+C+D

⇒ OR4 gate

OR operation.

(A OR B = A+B = A ∨ B)

If one of two inputs is 1, then output is 1.

(4-input OR gate)

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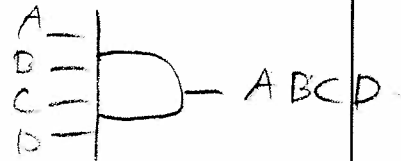
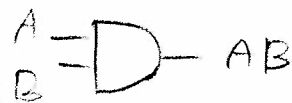
■ AND gate

AND operation ($= 1 \text{ AND } 1 = 1 \text{ AND } 0 = 0 \text{ AND } 1 = 0 \text{ AND } 0 = 0$)

A	B	A · B
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

→ If both A and B are 1, then 1.

AND gate symbol



Basic identities

- Boolean algebra describes the behavior of binary variables that are subjected to the multiple NOT, OR and AND operations. -> Some identities can be used to simplify complex logic expressions.

■ NOT identity

$$\overline{(\overline{A})} = A$$

$$\approx \text{NOT}[\text{NOT}(A)] = A$$

) \Rightarrow involution theorem.

Continued,

- OR identities

$$A + 1 = 1$$

$$A + 0 = A$$

$$A + A = A$$

→ idempotent theorem

$$A + \bar{A} = 1 \rightarrow \text{complementary property}$$

- AND identities

$$A \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$A \cdot 1 = A$$

$$A \cdot A = A$$

→ idempotent theorem

$$A \cdot \bar{A} = 0 \rightarrow \text{complementary property}$$

Algebraic laws

- Commutative laws: allows us to arrange variables in any order without changing the result.

$$A + B = B + A$$

$$A \cdot B = B \cdot A$$

Continued,

- Associative laws

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

$$A \cdot B \cdot C = (A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C)$$

⇒ Order of evaluation does not matter.

- Ex) Combination of AND and OR?

$$A \cdot (B + C) \neq A \cdot B + C = (A \cdot B) + C$$

Since AND operation has higher priority.
So, parentheses are necessary.

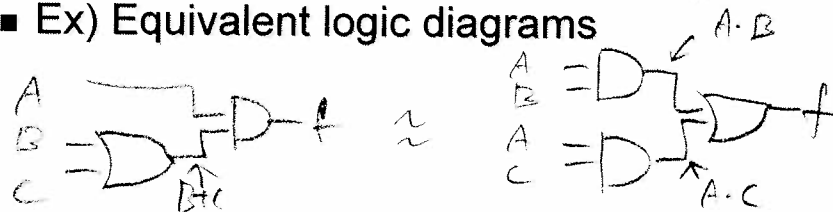
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- Distributive laws (both AND and OR)

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

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

- Ex) Equivalent logic diagrams



output of OR gate
→ input of AND gate

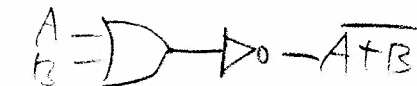
⇒ this kind of wiring scheme is "logic cascade".

NOR and NAND gates

- NOR = NOT-OR, NAND = NOT-AND

$\overline{A+B}$

AB	$\overline{A+B}$
00	1
01	0
10	0
11	0



NOT-OR cascade

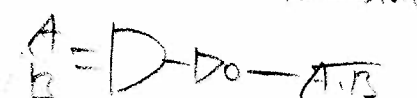


NOR gate symbol

inversion bubble.

$\overline{A \cdot B}$

AB	$\overline{A \cdot B}$
00	1
01	1
10	1
11	0



AB	$\overline{A+B}$	$\overline{A \cdot B}$
00	1	1
01	0	0
10	0	0
11	0	0

Same!

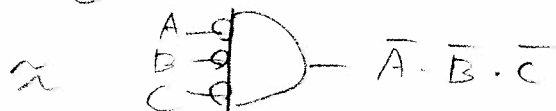
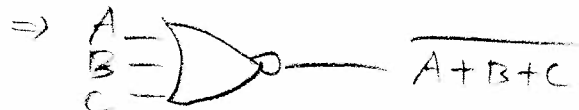
DeMorgan's Theorems

- Provides alternative expressions that relate the NOR and NAND operations to each other.
- Ex) NOR2 gate with input A & B

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

⇒ NOR is equivalent to AND of the complements of the inputs

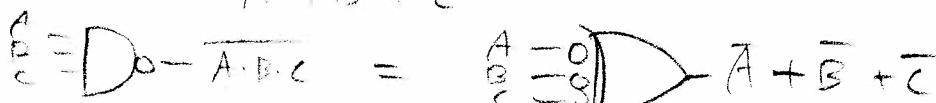
$$\text{NOR3: } \overline{A+B+C} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C}$$



NAND2

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

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



AB	$\overline{A \cdot B}$	$\overline{A+B}$
00	1	1
01	1	1
10	1	1
11	0	0

Useful Boolean Identities

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

proof) using distributive law.

$$\begin{aligned} A + AB &= A \cdot 1 + A \cdot B \\ &= A(1 + B) \\ &= A \cdot 1 \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proof) } A + \bar{A}B &= \overline{A + \bar{A}} + \bar{A}B \\ &= A + (A + \bar{A})B \\ &= A + 1 \cdot B \end{aligned}$$

$$= A + B.$$

Algebraic Reductions

- Reduction of a logic expression to the "simplest" form to implement the function using the smallest # of gates.
- The basic reduction rules are summarized in Table 3.1 (page 70).

$$\text{■ Ex1) } f = A \cdot B + A \cdot \bar{B} \quad \downarrow \text{ distributive law}$$

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

$$= A \cdot 1$$

$$= A$$

\downarrow complementary property.
 \downarrow AND identity.

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■ Ex2)

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= A \cdot B \cdot C + B \cdot C \quad \Rightarrow B \cdot C \text{ term is common} \\
 &= A \cdot (B \cdot C) + (B \cdot C) \\
 &= (A + 1) \cdot (B \cdot C) \quad \downarrow \text{distributive law} \\
 &= 1 \cdot (B \cdot C) \quad \downarrow \text{OR identity} \\
 &= B \cdot C \quad \downarrow \text{AND identity}
 \end{aligned}$$

■ Ex3)

$$\begin{aligned}
 J &= \overline{(a + \bar{b} + c) + (b + \bar{c})} \quad \downarrow \text{DeMorgan's theorem} \\
 &= \overline{(a + \bar{b} + c)} \cdot \overline{(b + \bar{c})} \quad \downarrow \text{once more} \\
 &= (\bar{a} \cdot b \cdot \bar{c}) \cdot (\bar{b} \cdot c) \\
 &= \bar{a} \cdot b \cdot \bar{c} \cdot \bar{b} \cdot c \\
 &= \bar{a} \cdot (b \cdot \bar{b}) \cdot (c \cdot \bar{c}) \\
 &= \bar{a} \cdot 0 \cdot 0 \\
 &= 0. \quad \Rightarrow J \text{ is constant } 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Continued,

■ Ex4)

$$\begin{aligned}
 h &= (A + B + C) \cdot (A + B) \quad \begin{matrix} \nearrow \text{OR3} \quad \nearrow \text{AND2} \end{matrix} \\
 &= (A + B + C) \cdot A + (A + B + C) \cdot B \quad \downarrow \text{distributive law} \\
 &= A \cdot A + A \cdot B + A \cdot C + A \cdot B + B \cdot B + B \cdot C \\
 &= A + A \cdot B + B + A \cdot C + B \cdot C \\
 &= A \cdot (1 + B) + B + (A + B) \cdot C \\
 &= (A + B) + (A + B) \cdot C \\
 &= (A + B) + (1 \cdot C) \\
 &= A + B + C \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \hookrightarrow \text{one OR3 gate.}
 \end{aligned}$$

⊗ other logic sets that are equivalent to {NOT, AND, OR} are also complete.

Complete Logic Sets

- A complete logic set of logic operation is one that allows us to create every possible logic functions using only those in the set.

- {NOT, AND, OR} → Any logic function can be implemented by these ops.
- {NOT, OR} → AND can be implemented by DeMorgan's law.

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

Continued,

- {NOT, AND} ex) $\overline{A \cdot B} = A+B$.
- Note that {AND, OR} is not a complete logic set, since NOT cannot be produced by them.
- {NAND}
- {NOR}) are also complete sets.

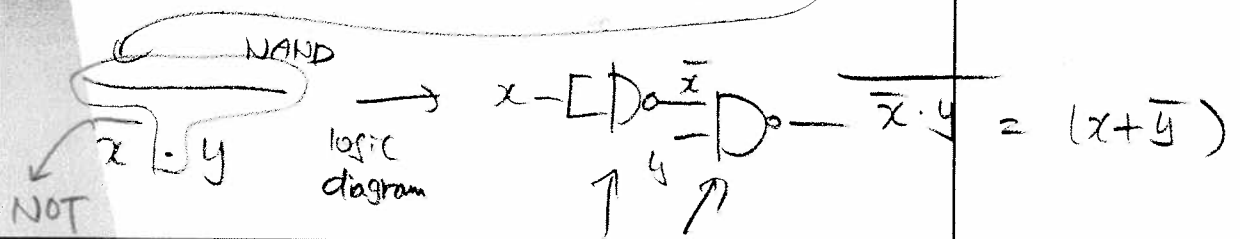
NAND-based logic

■ Ex) $\overline{A \cdot A} = \bar{A} \rightarrow \text{NOT}$

$\overline{A \cdot B} = A + B \rightarrow \text{OR}$

ex) $f = x + \bar{y} = \overline{\overline{x + \bar{y}}} = \overline{\bar{x} \cdot y}$

DeMorgan's theorem.



NAND gates only.

NOR-based logic

$\overline{A + A} = \bar{A} \text{ (NOT)}$

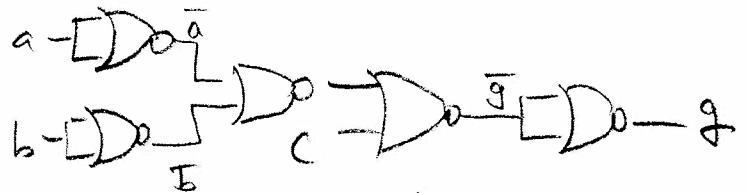
$\overline{A + B} = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \text{ (AND)}$

■ Ex) $f = a \cdot b + c$

$$= \overline{\overline{a \cdot b + c}} = \overline{(\bar{a} \cdot \bar{b}) \cdot \bar{c}} = \overline{(\bar{a} + \bar{b}) \cdot \bar{c}}$$

$$= \overline{(\bar{a} + \bar{b})} + c = \overline{(\bar{a} + \bar{b})} + c$$

DeMorgan's
theorem



NOR only.

⊗ Shape-specific symbols have been introduced
so far

IEEE Logic Gate Symbols

- Very common in practice (alternative way).
- IEEE is an acronym that stands for the Institute of Electrical & Electronics Engineers, a professional organization for electrical engineers.

$A - \boxed{1} - A$
Buffer

$A = \boxed{\geq 1} - A + B$
OR

$A = \boxed{\&} - A \cdot B$
AND

$A - \boxed{1} - \bar{A}$
NOT

$A = \boxed{\geq 1} - \overline{A + B}$
NOR

$A = \boxed{\&} - \overline{A \cdot B}$
NAND

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