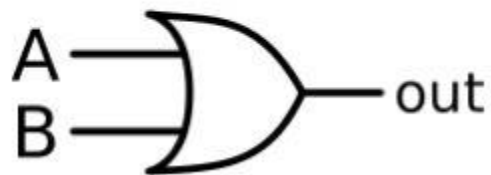


Lab Manual:

Digital Electronics

Using the Digilent Digital Electronics Board for NI ELVIS III

A	B	O
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1



Lab 2: Truth Tables and Basic Logic Gates

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Nowadays, digital hardware is encountered in almost every aspect of our everyday life, being part of personal computers, household appliances, robots, television networks, etc.

Logic circuits are the building blocks of digital hardware. The logic circuits perform operations on digital signals and are usually implemented as electronic circuits where the signal values are restricted to a few discrete values. The most common are the binary logic circuits, where the only values are 0 and 1.

The three basic logic operations are:

- Logical **AND**
- Logical **OR**
- **NOT** operation (inversion)

The logic operations are implemented with logic gates. A logic gate is an electronic circuit made up of transistors. The information related to the logic gates and logic functions can be described by a *truth table*.

Learning Objectives

In this lab, students will:

1. Explore the behavior of different configurations of logic gates.
2. Configure and build circuits and PLD designs in Multisim.

Required Tools and Technology

Platform: NI ELVIS III

- ✓ View User Manual:
<http://www.ni.com/en-us/support/model.ni-elvis-iii.html>
- ✓ View Tutorials:
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvcPluVaUMIWm8ziaSxv0gwtshBA2dh_M

Hardware: Digilent Digital Electronics Board for NI ELVIS III

- ✓ View NI Digital Electronics Board Manual:
<http://www.ni.com/pdf/manuals/376627b.pdf>

Software: NI Multisim 14.0.1 Education Version or newer

- ✓ Install Multisim:
http://www.ni.com/gate/gb/GB_ACADEMICEVALMULTISIM_US
- ✓ View Help:
<http://www.ni.com/multisim/technical-resources/>

Software: NI LabVIEW FPGA Vivado 2014.4

- ✓ Install:
<http://www.ni.com/download/labview-fpga-module-2015-sp1/5920/en/>

Note: Digilent Driver (The installer above automatically downloads the installer below onto your computer)

- ✓ Navigate to:
C:\NIFPGA\programs\Vivado2014_4\data\xicom\cable_drivers\nt64\digilent
- ✓ Install: install_digilent.exe

Expected Deliverables

In this lab, you will collect the following deliverables:

- Probe results
- Analysis of gate behavior
- Analysis of circuit behavior
- Circuit calculations
- Conclusion questions

Your instructor may expect you to complete a lab report. Refer to your instructor for specific requirements or templates.

1.1 Theory and Background

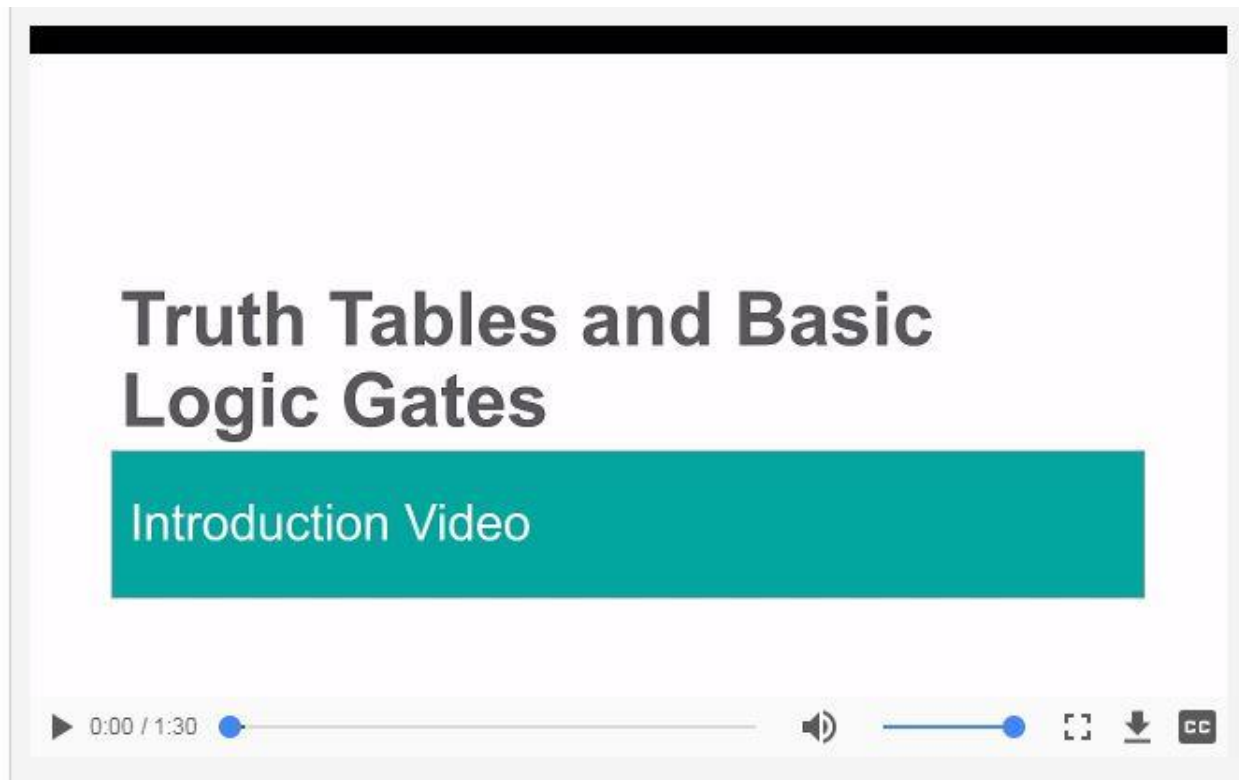


Figure 1-1 Video. View the video here: <https://youtu.be/PhIGDrqmqj8>



Video Summary

- Logic gates are the building blocks of all digital electronics
- AND and OR gates have at least two inputs and only one output
- NOT gates have one input and one output
- Inputs and outputs are expressed solely in binary (0's or 1's)

Truth Tables

One common way to express the particular function of a logic circuit is called a *truth table*. Truth tables show all permutations of the inputs with their corresponding output values in terms of logic level states. Logic level states are typically expressed as:

- 1 and 0
- HIGH and LOW
- True and False

This is an example of a truth table for two inputs:

A	B	O
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

Figure 1-2 Truth table for two inputs

A gate or logic circuit's truth table must have as many rows as there are possibilities of unique input combinations. For a single-input gate, like the inverter, there are only two input possibilities, namely 0 and 1. For a two-input gate there are four possibilities (00, 01, 10, and 11), and thus four rows for the corresponding truth table. For a three-input logic device, there are eight possibilities and so forth. The input columns are typically written in binary order as shown here:

A	B	C	O
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

Figure 1-3 Truth table for three inputs written in binary

Logic Gates

Logic gates are physical devices that implement the Boolean functions of truth tables. The two most basic logic gates are the “AND” and the “OR”.

- In the “AND” logic gate, the output is 1 if both the inputs for A and B are also 1. If one or all of the inputs for A and B are 0, then the resulting output is 0. This is summarized in the truth table below.

- Generally, the “AND” logic gate outputs the minimum value between the two input digits.
- The “AND” symbol is represented on the right. In this case, we can see two inputs (A and B) and one output.

A	B	O
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

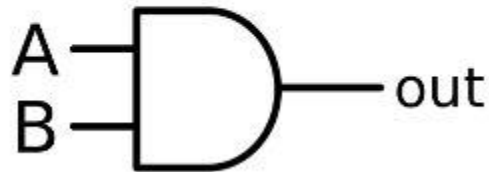


Fig 1-4 AND Truth Table

Fig 1-5 AND Logic Gate

- In the “OR” logic gate, the output is 0 if both the inputs for A and B are also 0. If one or all of the inputs for A and B are 1, then the resulting output is also 1. This is summarized in the truth table below.
- The “OR” logic gate outputs the maximum value between the two input digits.
- The “OR” symbol is represented below. As above, there are two inputs and one output.

A	B	O
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

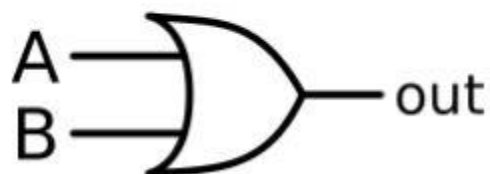


Figure 1-6 OR Truth Table

Figure 1-7 OR Logic Gate

1-1 Record the results, as indicated by the probe, in the following truth table.

A	B	C	O
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

- When you're done, stop the simulation by clicking the **Stop** button.



Figure 1-10 Stop button

1.3 Simulate: Building a Circuit with Multiple Gates

Circuit Example 2

Now build a new PLD circuit using the same gates as before, but in a different configuration:

- Place an **OR** gate and **two AND** gates from the **Misc Digital** group.
- Place the input connectors **SW0**, **SW1**, **SW2**.
- Place the output connector **LED0**.
- Wire them as shown.

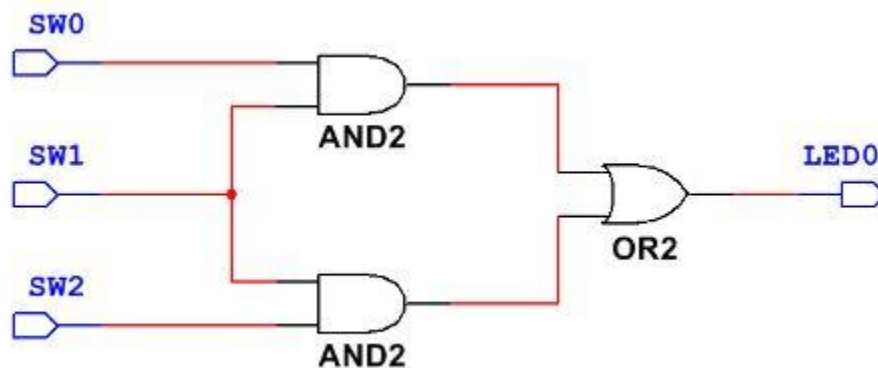


Figure 1-11 PLD circuit

- Export the circuit to the Digital Electronics Board. Using the switches on the board, vary the inputs into the circuit.

1-2 Given that the same gates are being used, predict if this circuit will demonstrate the same behavior of the previous one.

1-3 Record the results, as indicated by the probe, in the following truth table.

SW0	SW1	SW2	O
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

1-4 Explain the behaviour of this circuit. Did it match your prediction?

1.4 Exercise: Determining a Circuit from a Truth Table

Truth Tables

We have now observed how truth tables define the behavior of a given circuit. However, we often know what type of behavior we need to implement, and we need to figure out what configuration of gates would give us this behavior. This can be a lot more complex.

In this part, you'll look at a few simple truth tables and determine their circuits.

Given the following truth table, determine which configuration of gates would give you these results. You can:

- Use trial and error simulation in Multisim.
- Calculate different circuits on paper.
- Use whatever other methods you find useful.

A	B	C	O
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

Figure 1-12 Truth table

Note: Provide a screenshot, take a picture, or create a sketch of your design.

- When you've picked a circuit design that you think will result in this behavior, simulate it in Multisim.

1-5 Did your circuit design work as expected? If not, why?

1-6 Is there more than one configuration of gates that would give you this result?

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1-7 Did your circuit design work as expected? If not, why?

1-8 Is there more than one configuration of gates that would give you this result?

1.5 Conclusion

1-9 Why is it useful to represent the behavior of a gate or series of gates in a table?

1-10 What is the difference between “AND” and “OR” logic gates?

1-11 The basic logic operations are:

- A. AND
- B. OR
- C. NOT
- D. All of the above

1-12 Truth tables:

- A. Express the particular function of a logic circuit
- B. Show all possible permutations of inputs and corresponding output values
- C. Are quantified as logic level states
- D. All of the above

1-13 A truth table with 3 inputs can have how many possible outputs?

- A. 8
- B. 4
- C. 6
- D. 12

1-14 AND logic gates have:

- A. One input and two outputs
- B. Two inputs and one output
- C. A current inverter
- D. None of the above

1-15 OR logic gates output:

- A. The minimum value between the two inputs
- B. The maximum value between the two inputs
- C. The average of the two inputs
- D. The output does not have any direct relationship to the inputs