

EE121  
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Lecture #3

Boolean algebra  
Combinational-circuit analysis

Boolean algebra

- a.k.a. “switching algebra”
  - deals with boolean values -- 0, 1
- Positive-logic convention
  - analog voltages LOW, HIGH --> 0, 1
- Negative logic -- seldom used
- Signal values denoted by variables  
(X, Y, FRED, etc.)

## Boolean operators

- Complement:  $X'$  (opposite of  $X$ )
  - AND:  $X \cdot Y$
  - OR:  $X + Y$
- binary operators, described functionally by truth table.

X	Y	X AND Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

X	Y	X OR Y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

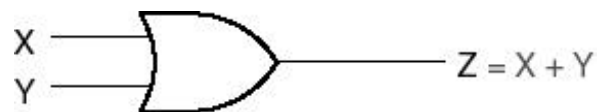
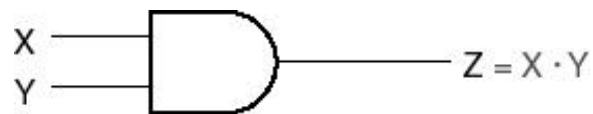
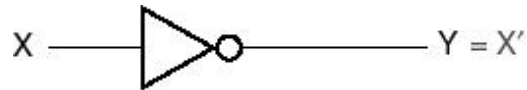
X	NOT X
0	1
1	0

- Axiomatic definition: A1-A5, A1'-A5'

## More definitions

- Literal: a variable or its complement
  - $X, X', \text{FRED}', \text{CS\_L}$
- Expression: literals combined by AND, OR, parentheses, complementation
  - $X+Y$
  - $P \cdot Q \cdot R$
  - $A + B \cdot C$
  - $((\text{FRED} \cdot Z') + \text{CS\_L} \cdot A \cdot B' \cdot C + Q5) \cdot \text{RESET}'$
- Equation: Variable = expression
  - $P = ((\text{FRED} \cdot Z') + \text{CS\_L} \cdot A \cdot B' \cdot C + Q5) \cdot \text{RESET}'$

## Logic symbols



## Theorems

(T1)	$X + 0 = X$	(T1')	$X \cdot 1 = X$	(Identities)
(T2)	$X + 1 = 1$	(T2')	$X \cdot 0 = 0$	(Null elements)
(T3)	$X + X = X$	(T3')	$X \cdot X = X$	(Idempotency)
(T4)	$(X')' = X$			(Involution)
(T5)	$X + X' = 1$	(T5')	$X \cdot X' = 0$	(Complements)

- Proofs by perfect induction

## More Theorems

(T6)	$X + Y = Y + X$	(T6')	$X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$	(Commutativity)
(T7)	$(X + Y) + Z = X + (Y + Z)$	(T7')	$(X \cdot Y) \cdot Z = X \cdot (Y \cdot Z)$	(Associativity)
(T8)	$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z = X \cdot (Y + Z)$	(T8')	$(X + Y) \cdot (X + Z) = X + Y \cdot Z$	(Distributivity)
(T9)	$X + X \cdot Y = X$	(T9')	$X \cdot (X + Y) = X$	(Covering)
(T10)	$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X$	(T10')	$(X + Y) \cdot (X + Y') = X$	(Combining)
(T11)	$X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z + Y \cdot Z = X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z$			(Consensus)
(T11')	$(X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z) \cdot (Y + Z) = (X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z)$			

- N.B. T8', T10, T11

## Duality

- Swap 0 & 1, AND & OR
  - Result: Theorems still true
- Why?
  - Each axiom (A1-A5) has a dual (A1'-A5')
- Counterexample:
 

$X + X \cdot Y = X$ (T9)	$X + (X \cdot Y) = X$ (T9)
$X \cdot X + Y = X$ (dual)	$X \cdot (X + Y) = X$ (dual)
$X + Y = X$ (T3')	$(X \cdot X) + (X \cdot Y) = X$ (T8)
????????????	$X + (X \cdot Y) = X$ (T3')

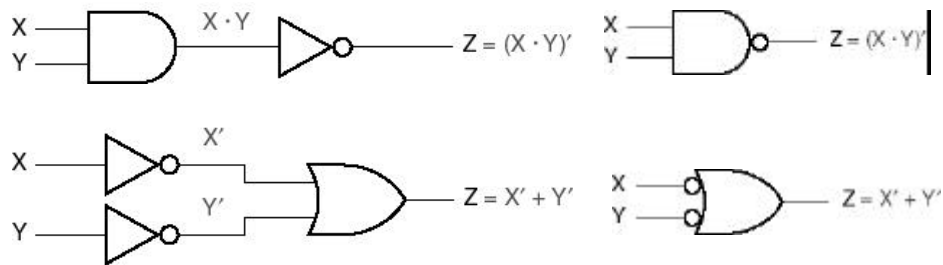
parentheses,  
operator precedence!

## N-variable Theorems

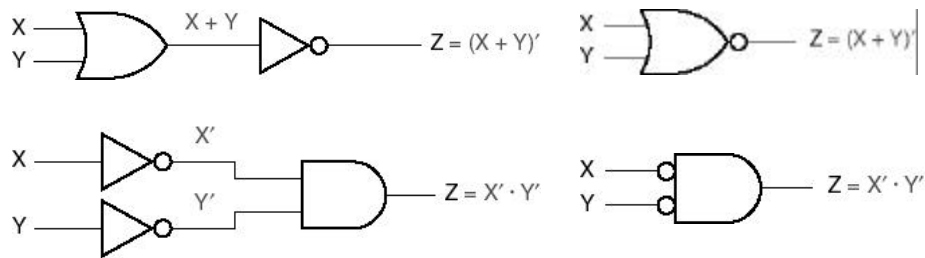
(T12)	$X + X + \dots + X = X$	(Generalized idempotency)
(T12')	$X \cdot X \cdot \dots \cdot X = X$	
(T13)	$(X_1 \cdot X_2 \cdot \dots \cdot X_n)' = X_1' + X_2' + \dots + X_n'$	(DeMorgan's theorems)
(T13')	$(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)' = X_1' \cdot X_2' \cdot \dots \cdot X_n'$	
(T14)	$[F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, +, \cdot)]' = F(X_1', X_2', \dots, X_n', \cdot, +)$	(Generalized DeMorgan's theorem)
(T15)	$F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = X_1 \cdot F(1, X_2, \dots, X_n) + X_1' \cdot F(0, X_2, \dots, X_n)$	(Shannon's expansion theorems)
(T15')	$F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = [X_1 + F(0, X_2, \dots, X_n)] \cdot [X_1' + F(1, X_2, \dots, X_n)]$	

- Prove using finite induction
- Most important: DeMorgan theorems

## DeMorgan Symbol Equivalence

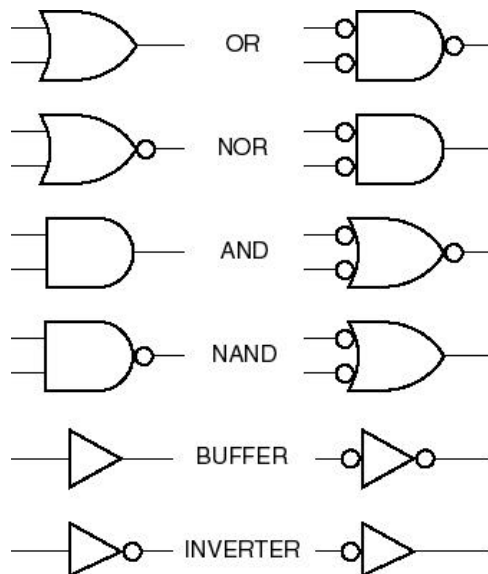


## Likewise for OR



- (be sure to check errata!)

## DeMorgan Symbols



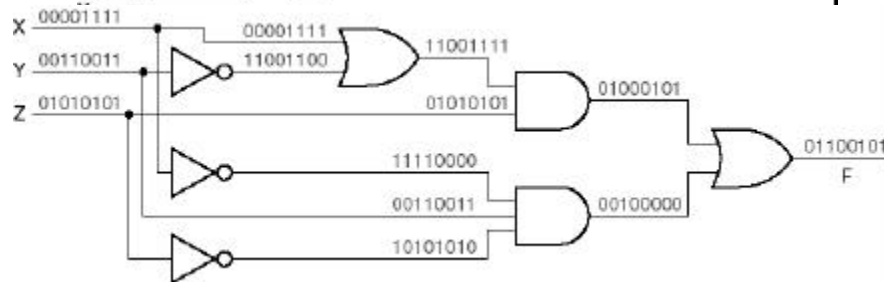
## Even more definitions (Sec. 4.1.6)

- Product term
- Sum-of-products expression
- Sum term
- Product-of-sums expression
- Normal term
- Minterm (n variables)
- Maxterm (n variables)

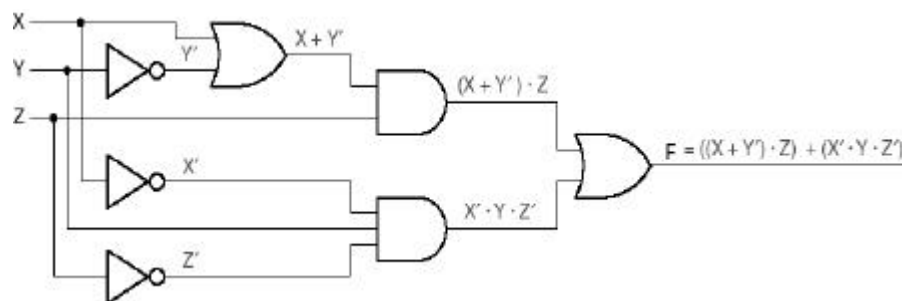
## Truth table vs. minterms & maxterms

<i>Row</i>	X	Y	Z	F	<i>Minterm</i>	<i>Maxterm</i>
0	0	0	0	F(0,0,0)	$X' \cdot Y' \cdot Z'$	$X + Y + Z$
1	0	0	1	F(0,0,1)	$X' \cdot Y' \cdot Z$	$X + Y + Z'$
2	0	1	0	F(0,1,0)	$X' \cdot Y \cdot Z'$	$X + Y' + Z$
3	0	1	1	F(0,1,1)	$X' \cdot Y \cdot Z$	$X + Y' + Z'$
4	1	0	0	F(1,0,0)	$X \cdot Y' \cdot Z'$	$X' + Y + Z$
5	1	0	1	F(1,0,1)	$X \cdot Y' \cdot Z$	$X' + Y + Z'$
6	1	1	0	F(1,1,0)	$X \cdot Y \cdot Z'$	$X' + Y' + Z$
7	1	1	1	F(1,1,1)	$X \cdot Y \cdot Z$	$X' + Y' + Z'$

## Combinational analysis



## Signal expressions



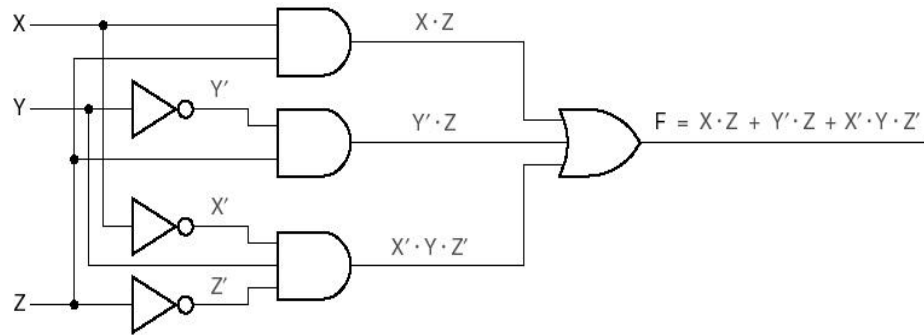
- Multiply out:

$$F = ((X + Y') \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Y \cdot Z')$$

$$= (X \cdot Z) + (Y' \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Y \cdot Z')$$



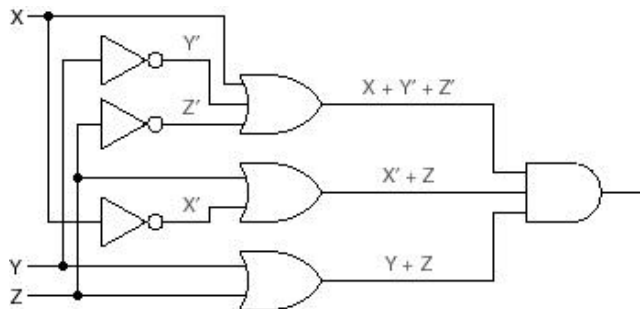
### New circuit, same function



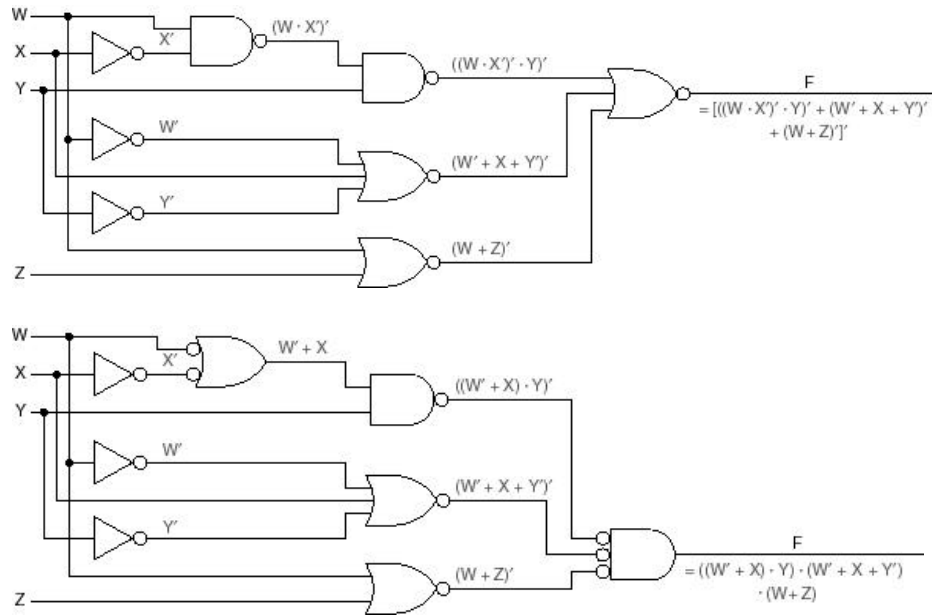
### “Add out” logic function

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= ((X + Y') \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Y \cdot Z') \\
 &= (X + Y' + X') \cdot (X + Y' + Y) \cdot (X + Y' + Z) \cdot (Z + X') \cdot (Z + Y) \cdot (Z + Z') \\
 &= 1 \cdot 1 \cdot (X + Y' + Z) \cdot (X' + Z) \cdot (Y + Z) \cdot 1 \\
 &= (X + Y' + Z) \cdot (X' + Z) \cdot (Y + Z)
 \end{aligned}$$

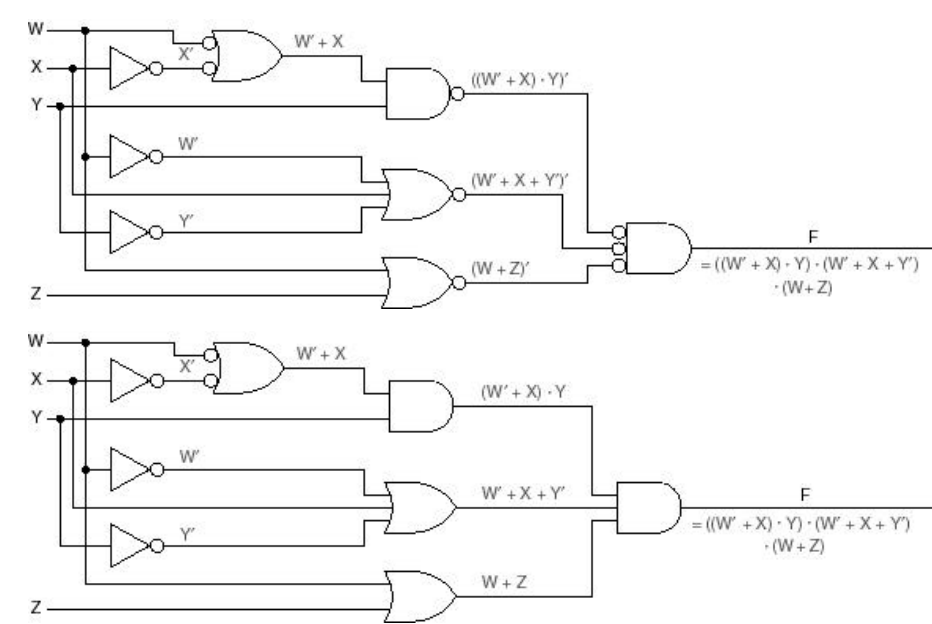
- Circuit:



## Shortcut: Symbol substitution



## Different circuit, same function



## Another example

$$G(W, X, Y, Z) = W \cdot X \cdot Y + Y \cdot Z$$

