

BOOLEAN ALGEBRA

➤ **Introduction:**

- An algebra that deals with binary number system is called “Boolean Algebra”.
- It is very power in designing logic circuits used by the processor of computer system.
- The logic gates are the building blocks of all the circuit in a computer.
- Boolean algebra derives its name from the mathematician **George Boole** (1815-1864) who is considered the “**Father of symbolic logic**”.
- Boolean algebra deals with truth table TRUE and FALSE.
- It is also called as “**Switching Algebra**”.

➤ **Binary Valued Quantities – Variable and Constants:**

- A variable used in Boolean algebra or Boolean equation can have only one of two variables. The two values are FALSE (0) and TRUE (1)
- A Sentence which can be determined to be TRUE or FALSE are called **logical statements** or **truth functions** and the results TRUE or FALSE is called **Truth values**.
- The variables which can store the truth values are called **logical variables or binary valued variables**. These can store one of the two values 1 or 0.
- The decision which results into either YES (TRUE or 1) or NO (FALSE or 0) is called **Binary decision**.

➤ **Truth Table:**

- A truth table is a mathematical table used in logic to computer functional values of logical expressions.
- A truth table is a table whose columns are statements and whose rows are possible scenarios.
- Example: Consider the logical expression

Logical Statement: Meals = “Ram prefer rice and roti for the meal”

$Y = A \text{ AND } B$ (Logical Variables: Y, A, B, Logical Operator AND)

Ram Prefer Rice	Ram Prefer Roti	Meals
FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
TRUE	FALSE	FALSE
TRUE	TRUE	TRUE

A	B	Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

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- If result of any logical statement or expression is always TRUE or 1, it is called **Tautology** and if the result is always FALSE or 0, it is called **Fallacy**.

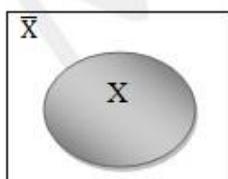
➤ Logical Operators:

- There are three logical operator, NOT, OR and AND.
- These operators are now used in computer construction known as switching circuits.

➤ NOT Operator:

- The Not operator is a unary operator. This operator operates on single variable.
- The operation performed by Not operator is called **complementation**.
- The symbol we use for it is bar.
- \bar{X} means complementation of X
- If $X=1, \bar{X}=0$ If $X=0, \bar{X}=1$
- The Truth table and the Venn diagram for the NOT operator is:

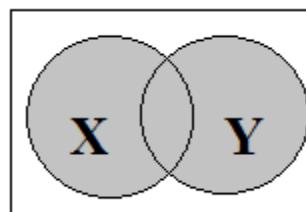
X	\bar{X}
1	0
0	1



➤ OR Operator:

- The OR operator is a binary operator. This operator operates on two variables.
- The operation performed by OR operator is called **logical addition**.
- The symbol we use for it is ‘+’.
- Example: $X + Y$ can be read as **X OR Y**
- The Truth table and the Venn diagram for the NOT operator is:

X	Y	$X + Y$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1



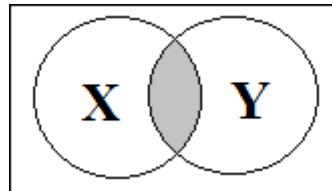
➤ AND Operator:

- The AND operator is a binary operator. This operator operates on two variables.
- The operation performed by AND operator is called **logical multiplication**.
- The symbol we use for it is ‘.’.
- Example: $X . Y$ can be read as **X AND Y**

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- The Truth table and the Venn diagram for the NOT operator is:

X	Y	X . Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



➤ Evaluation of Boolean Expression using Truth Table:

- To create a truth table, follow the steps given below.*
- Step 1: Determine the number of variables, for n variables create a table with 2^n rows.
 - For two variables i.e. X, Y then truth table will need 2^2 or 4 rows.
 - For three variables i.e. X, Y, Z, then truth table will need 2^3 or 8 rows.
- Step 2: List the variables and every combination of 1 (TRUE) and 0 (FALSE) for the given variables
- Step 3: Create a new column for each term of the statement or argument.
- Step 4: If two statements have the same truth values, then they are equivalent.

➤ Example: Consider the following Boolean Expression $F=X+\bar{Y}$

- Step 1: This expression has two variables X and Y, then 2^2 or 4 rows.
- Step 2: List the variables and every combination of X and Y.
- Step 3: Create a new column \bar{Y} of the statement, and then fill the truth values of Y in that column.
- Step 4: The final column contain the values of $X+\bar{Y}$

X	Y	\bar{Y}	$X+\bar{Y}$
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1

➤ Exercise Problems:

- Prepare a table of combination for the following Boolean algebra expressions.
 - $\bar{X}\bar{Y}+\bar{X}Y$
 - $XY\bar{Z}+\bar{X}\bar{Y}Z$
- Verify using truth table for the following Boolean algebra.
 - $X + XY = X$
 - $\bar{X} + \bar{Y} = \bar{X} + \bar{Y}$

➤ **Boolean Postulates:**

- The fundamental laws of Boolean algebra are called as the postulates of Boolean algebra.
- These postulates for Boolean algebra originate from the three basic logic functions AND, OR and NOT.
- **Properties of 0 and 1:**
 - I. If $X \neq 0$ then $X = 1$, and If $X \neq 1$ then $X = 0$
 - II. OR relation (Logical Addition)

a. $0 + 0 = 0$	c. $1 + 0 = 1$
b. $0 + 1 = 1$	d. $1 + 1 = 1$
 - III. AND relation (Logical Multiplication)

a. $0 \cdot 0 = 0$	c. $1 \cdot 0 = 0$
b. $0 \cdot 1 = 0$	d. $1 \cdot 1 = 1$
 - IV. Complement Rules

a. $\bar{0} = 1$	b. $\bar{1} = 0$
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➤ **Principle of Duality Theorem:**

- This is very important principle used in Boolean algebra.
- Principle of Duality states that;
 - Changing each OR sign (+) to an AND sign (.)
 - Changing each AND sign (.) to an OR sign (+)
 - Replacing each 0 by 1 and each 1 by 0.
- The derived relation using duality principle is called dual of original expression.
- Example: Take postulate II, related to logical addition:

$$1) 0 + 0 = 0 \quad 2) 0 + 1 = 1 \quad 3) 1 + 0 = 1 \quad 4) 1 + 1 = 1$$

2. Now working according to above relations, + is changed to . and 0's replaced by 1's

$$a) 1 \cdot 1 = 1 \quad b) 1 \cdot 0 = 0 \quad c) 0 \cdot 1 = 0 \quad d) 0 \cdot 0 = 0$$

- which are nothing but same as that of postulate III related to logical multiplication.
- So 1, 2, 3, 4, are the duals of a, b, c, d.
- Example: Find the duals for the following Boolean Expression

Sl No	Boolean Expression	Duals
1	$X + 0 = X$	$X \cdot 1 = X$
2	$X + 1 = 1$	$X \cdot 0 = 0$
3	$X \cdot \bar{X} = 0$	$X + \bar{X} = 1$
4	$X \cdot (Y + Z)$	$X + (Y \cdot Z)$
5	$X + X \cdot Y = X + Y$	$X \cdot (X + Y) = X \cdot Y$

➤ Boolean Theorems:

- Boolean Theorem can be proved by substituting all possible values of the variable that are 0 and 1.
- This technique of proving theorem is called **Proof by perfect induction.**

Sl No	Theorem	Sl No	Theorem	
Properties of 0 and 1		Associative Law		
1	$0 + X = X$	12	$X \cdot (Y \cdot Z) = (X \cdot Y) \cdot Z$	
2	$1 + X = 1$	13	$(X + Y) \cdot Z = X + (Y \cdot Z)$	
3	$0 \cdot X = 0$	Distributive Law		
4	$1 \cdot X = X$	14	$X \cdot (Y + Z) = X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z$	
Indempotence Law		15	$X + Y \cdot Z = (X + Y) \cdot (X + Z)$	
5	$X + X = X$	Absorption Law		
6	$X \cdot X = X$	16	$X + X \cdot Y = X$	
Complementary Law		17	$X(X + Y) = X$	
7	$X + \bar{X} = 1$	18	$XY + X\bar{Y} = X$	
8	$X \cdot \bar{X} = 0$	19	$(X + Y)(X + \bar{Y}) = X$	
Involution Law		20	$X\bar{X}Y = X + Y$	
9	$\bar{\bar{X}} = X$	21	$X\bar{(X + Y)} = XY$	
Commutative Law				
10	$X + Y = Y + X$			
11	$X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$			

➤ Theorem 1: $0 + X = X$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= 0 + X$ $= 0 + 0$ $= 0$ $= RHS$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= 0 + X$ $= 0 + 1$ $= 1$ $= RHS$	Using Truth Table									
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➤ Theorem 2: $1 + X = 1$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= 1 + X$ $= 1 + 0$ $= 1$ $= RHS$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= 1 + X$ $= 1 + 1$ $= 1$ $= RHS$	Using Truth Table									
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➤ **Theorem 3:** $0 \cdot X = 0$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= 0 \cdot X$ $= 0 \cdot 0$ $= 0$ $= RHS$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= 0 \cdot X$ $= 0 \cdot 1$ $= 0$ $= RHS$	Using Truth Table									
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➤ **Theorem 4:** $1 \cdot X = X$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= 1 \cdot X$ $= 1 \cdot 0$ $= 0$ $= RHS$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= 1 \cdot X$ $= 1 \cdot 1$ $= 1$ $= RHS$	Using Truth Table									
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➤ **Indempotence Law:** “This law states that when a variable is combined with itself using OR or AND operator, the output is the same variable”.

➤ **Theorem 5:** $X + X = X$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= X + X$ $= 0 + 0$ $= 0$ $= RHS$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= X + X$ $= 1 + 1$ $= 1$ $= RHS$	Using Truth Table									
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➤ **Theorem 6:** $X \cdot X = X$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= X \cdot X$ $= 0 \cdot 0$ $= 0$ $= RHS$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= X \cdot X$ $= 1 \cdot 1$ $= 1$ $= RHS$	Using Truth Table									
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0	0	0									
1	1	1									

➤ **Complementary Law:** “This law states that when a variable is ANDed with its complement is equal to 0 and a variable is ORed with its complement is equal to 1”.

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➤ **Theorem 7:** $X + \bar{X} = 1$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= X + \bar{X}$ $= 0 + 1$ $= 1$ $= \text{RHS}$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= X + \bar{X}$ $= 1 + 0$ $= 1$ $= \text{RHS}$	Using Truth Table									
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➤ **Theorem 8:** $X \cdot \bar{X} = 0$

Proof: If $X = 0$ then LHS $= X \cdot \bar{X}$ $= 0 \cdot 1$ $= 0$ $= \text{RHS}$	Proof: If $X = 1$ then LHS $= X \cdot \bar{X}$ $= 1 \cdot 0$ $= 0$ $= \text{RHS}$	Using Truth Table									
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➤ **Involution Law:** “This law states that when a variable is inverted twice is equal to the original variable”.

➤ **Theorem 9:** $\bar{\bar{X}} = X$

Proof: If $X = 0$, then $\bar{X} = 1$ Take complement again, then $\bar{\bar{X}} = 0$ i.e. X If $X = 1$, then $\bar{X} = 0$ Take complement again, then $\bar{\bar{X}} = 1$ i.e. X	Using Truth Table									
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➤ **Commutative Law:** “This law states that the order in which two variable are Or ed or AND ed make no difference”.

➤ **Theorem 10:** $X + Y = Y + X$

Proof: If $Y = 0$ then LHS $= X + Y$ $= X + 0$ $= X$ RHS $= Y + X$ $= 0 + X$ $= X$ Therefore $LHS = RHS$	Proof: If $Y = 1$ then LHS $= X + Y$ $= X + 1$ $= 1$ RHS $= Y + X$ $= 1 + X$ $= 1$ Therefore $LHS = RHS$	Using Truth Table																				
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➤ **Theorem 11:** $X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$

Proof: If $Y = 0$		Proof: If $Y = 1$		Using Truth Table			
				X	Y	X.Y	Y.X
then LHS	$= X \cdot Y$	then LHS	$= X \cdot Y$	0	0	0	0
	$= X \cdot 0$		$= X \cdot 1$	0	1	0	0
	$= 0$		$= X$	1	0	0	0
RHS	$= Y \cdot X$	RHS	$= Y \cdot X$	1	1	1	1
	$= 0 \cdot X$		$= 1 \cdot X$				
	$= 0$		$= X$				
Therefore	$LHS = RHS$	Therefore	$LHS = RHS$				

➤ **Associative Law:** “This law allows the removal of brackets from an expression and regrouping of the variables”.

➤ **Theorem 12:** $X.(Y.Z) = (X.Y).Z$

Proof: If $Y = 0$		Proof: If $Y = 1$		Using Truth Table						
				X	Y	Z	XY	YZ	X.(Y.Z)	(X.Y).Z
LHS = $X.(Y.Z)$	$= X.(0.Z)$	LHS = $X.(Y.Z)$	$= X.(1.Z)$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	$= X.0$		$= X.Z$	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	$= 0$		$= XZ$	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
RHS = $(X.Y).Z$	$= (X.0).Z$	RHS = $(X.Y).Z$	$= (X.1).Z$	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
	$= 0.Z$		$= X.Z$	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	$= 0$		$= XZ$	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Therefore	$LHS = RHS$	Therefore	$LHS = RHS$	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
				1	1	1	1	1	1	1

➤ **Theorem 13:** $X+(Y+Z) = (X+Y)+Z$

Proof: If $Y = 0$		Proof: If $Y = 1$		Using Truth Table						
				X	Y	Z	X+Y	Y+Z	X+(Y+Z)	(X+Y)+Z
LHS = $X+(Y+Z)$	$= X+(0+Z)$	LHS = $X+(Y+Z)$	$= X+(1+Z)$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	$= X+Z$		$= X+1$	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
			$= 1$	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
RHS = $(X+Y)+Z$	$= (X+0)+Z$	RHS = $(X+Y)+Z$	$= (X+1).Z$	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
	$= X+Z$		$= 1+Z$	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
			$= 1$	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Therefore	$LHS = RHS$	Therefore	$LHS = RHS$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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- **Distributive Law:** “This law allows the multiplying or factoring out an expression”.
- **Theorem 14:** $X.(Y+Z) = XY + XZ$

Proof: If $X = 0$ $LHS = X.(Y+Z)$ $= 0.(Y+Z)$ $= 0$ $RHS = XY + XZ$ $= 0.Y+0.Z$ $= 0$ Therefore $LHS = RHS$	Proof: If $X = 1$ $LHS = X.(Y+Z)$ $= 1.(Y+Z)$ $= Y+Z$ $RHS = XY + XZ$ $= 1.Y+1.Z$ $= Y+Z$ Therefore $LHS = RHS$
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- **Theorem 15:** $(X + Y)(X + Z) = X + YZ$

$$\begin{aligned}
 LHS: (X + Y)(X + Z) &= XX + XZ + XY + YZ \\
 &= X + XZ + XY + YZ \\
 &= X(1 + Z) + XY + YZ \\
 &= X + XY + YZ \\
 &= X(1 + Y) + YZ \\
 &= X + YZ \\
 &= RHS
 \end{aligned}$$

- **Absorption Law:** “This law enables a reduction of complicated expression to a simpler one by absorbing common terms”.

16) $X+XY = X$ $LHS = X + XY$ $= X(1 + Y)$ $= X$ $= RHS$	17) $X(X+Y) = X$ $LHS = X(X+Y)$ $= XX + XY$ $= X + XY$ $= X(1+Y)$ $= X$	18) $XY + X\bar{Y} = X$ $LHS = XY + X\bar{Y}$ $= X(Y + \bar{Y})$ $= X.1$ $= X$ $= RHS$
19) $(X+Y)(X+\bar{Y}) = X$ $LHS = (X+Y)(X+\bar{Y})$ $= XX + X\bar{Y} + XY + Y\bar{Y}$ $= X + X\bar{Y} + XY + 0$ $= X(1 + \bar{Y} + Y)$ $= X. 1$ $= X$	20) $X + \bar{X}Y = X+Y$ $LHS = X + \bar{X}Y$ $= (X + \bar{X})(X+Y)$ $= 1. (X+Y)$ $= X+Y$ $= RHS$	21) $X(\bar{X}+Y) = XY$ $LHS = X(\bar{X}+Y)$ $= X.\bar{X} + X.Y$ $= 0 + XY$ $= XY$ $= RHS$

➤ DeMorgan's Theorem:

- DeMorgan's First Theorem:

- Statement: “When the OR sum of two variables is inverted, this is same as inverting each variable individually and then AND ing these inverted variables”
- This can be written as $\overline{X + Y} = \overline{X} \cdot \overline{Y}$
- We can prove the DeMorgan's First theorem by using Truth Table is

X	Y	\overline{X}	\overline{Y}	$X+Y$	\overline{XY}	$\overline{\overline{XY}}$
0	0	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	0

- Compare the column $\overline{X + Y}$ and $\overline{X} \cdot \overline{Y}$. Both of these are identical. Hence the DeMorgan's first theorem is proved.

- DeMorgan's Second Theorem:

- Statement: “When the AND product of two variables is inverted, this is same as inverting each variable individually and then OR ing these inverted variables”
- This can be written as $\overline{XY} = \overline{X} + \overline{Y}$
- We can prove the DeMorgan's Second theorem by using Truth Table is:

X	Y	\overline{X}	\overline{Y}	XY	\overline{XY}	$\overline{\overline{XY}}$
0	0	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	0	0

- Compare the column \overline{XY} and $\overline{X} + \overline{Y}$. Both of these are identical. Hence the DeMorgan's Second theorem is proved.

- Application of DeMorgan's Theorem:

- It is used in simplification of Boolean expression.
- DeMorgan's law commonly apply to text searching using Boolean operators AND, OR and NOT.
- It is useful in the implementation of the basic gates operations with alternative gates.

