

# **Discrete Structures**

## **Lecture # 4**

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# Recap

- Conditional Statements
- Bi-conditional Statements
- Conversion of NLP to Argument and vice versa
- Inverse / Converse / Contrapositive of statements
- Examples / Exercise

# Argument

An **argument** is a list of statement called **premises** (or **assumptions** or **hypotheses**) followed by a statement called the **conclusion**.

# Valid and Invalid Arguments

- ❑ Propositional logic can be used as a math model to investigate the validity of arguments.
- ❑ As argument is a sequence of statements.
- ❑ All but the final statements are called premises.
- ❑ Final statement is called conclusion.
- ❑ Valid Argument: If the premises are all true then the conclusion is also true.

i.e. Premises logically implies the conclusion.

# Argument Validity

- Two Ways:

- Using truth Tables

- Reason at a higher level using generally valid rules (inference values).

# Argument

P1      Premise

P2      Premise

P3      Premise

P4      Premise

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$\therefore C$

Conclusion

# Valid Argument

An argument is **valid** if the **conclusion** is **true** when all the **premises** are **true**.

# Invalid Argument

An argument is **invalid** if the **conclusion** is **false** when all the premises are **true**.



# Example of Valid Argument

Show that the following argument form is valid:

$p \rightarrow q$	premise
$p$	premise
$\therefore q$	Conclusion

Premise			Conclusion	
<b>p</b>	<b>q</b>	<b><math>p \rightarrow q</math></b>	<b>p</b>	<b>q</b>
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	F
F	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	F	F

**The given argument is valid.**

# Example of Invalid Argument

Show that the following argument form is valid:

$p \rightarrow q$	premise
$q$	premise
$\therefore p$	Conclusion

		Premise	Conclusion	
p	q	$p \rightarrow q$	q	p
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	F	T
F	T	T	T	F
F	F	T	F	F

The given argument is Invalid.

# Example

Show that the following argument form is valid:

$p \vee q$                       premise

**Premise**

$p \rightarrow \sim q$                       premise

**Conclusion**

$p \rightarrow r$                       premise

$\therefore r$                       Conclusion

<b>p</b>	<b>q</b>	<b>r</b>	<b><math>p \vee q</math></b>	<b><math>p \rightarrow \sim q</math></b>	<b><math>p \rightarrow r</math></b>	<b>r</b>
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# Example

Premise

Conclusion

<b>p</b>	<b>q</b>	<b>r</b>	<b><math>p \vee q</math></b>	<b><math>p \rightarrow \sim q</math></b>	<b><math>p \rightarrow r</math></b>	<b>r</b>
T	T	T	T	F	T	T
T	T	F	T	F	F	F
T	F	T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T	F	F
F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	T	T	F
F	F	T	F	T	T	T
F	F	F	F	T	T	F

The given argument is invalid.

# Exercise – 1

If Tariq is not on team A, **then** Hameed is on team B

If Hameed is not on team B, **then** Tariq is on team A.

∴ If Hameed is **not** on team B, **then** Tariq is not on team A.

**Solution:**

Let  $t$  = Tariq is on team A

$h$  = Hameed is on team B

# Exercise – 1 – Cont..

**Solution:** Let

t = Tariq is on team A

h = Hameed is on team B

1. **If** Tariq is not on team A, **then** Hameed is on team B --  $(\sim t \rightarrow h)$
2. **If** Hameed is not on team B, **then** Tariq is on team A --  $(\sim h \rightarrow t)$
3.  $\therefore$  **If** Hameed is **not** on team B, **then** Tariq is **not** on team B  
B --  $\sim h \rightarrow \sim t$

# Exercise – 1 – Cont..

1.  $(\sim t \rightarrow h)$
2.  $(\sim h \rightarrow t)$
3.  $\therefore \sim h \rightarrow \sim t$

		Premise		Conclusion
t	h	$\sim t \rightarrow h$	$\sim h \rightarrow t$	$\sim h \rightarrow \sim t$
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	T	F
F	T	T	T	T
F	F	F	F	T

The given argument is invalid.

# Exercise – 2

If at least one of these two numbers is divisible by 6,  
then the product of these two numbers is divisible by 6.

Neither of these two numbers is divisible by 6.

∴ The product of these two numbers is not divisible by 6.

**Solution:** Let

$d$  = at least one of these two numbers is divisible by 6

$p$  = product of these two numbers is divisible by 6



# Exercise – 2 – Cont..

**Solution:** Let,

$d$  = at least one of these two numbers is divisible by 6

$p$  = product of these two numbers is divisible by 6.

1. **If** at least one of these two numbers is divisible by 6,  
**then** the product of these two numbers is divisible by 6  
--  $(d \rightarrow p)$
2. **Neither** of these two numbers is divisible by 6 --  $\sim d$
3.  $\therefore$  The product of these two numbers is **not** divisible by 6 --  $\sim p$

# Exercise – 2 – Cont..

## Solution:

1.  $(d \rightarrow p)$
2.  $\sim d$
3.  $\therefore \sim p$

		Premise	Conclusion		
d	p	$d \rightarrow p$	$\sim d$	$\sim p$	
T	T	T	F	F	
T	F	F	F	T	
F	T	T	T	F	
F	F	T	T	T	

The given argument is invalid.

# Exercise – 3

If I got an Eid Bonus, I'll buy a stereo.

If I sell my motorcycle, I'll buy a stereo.

∴ If I get Eid bonus or I sell my motorcycle, then I'll buy a stereo.

**Solution:** Let

e = I got an Eid Bonus

s = I'll buy a stereo

m = I sell my motorcycle

# Exercise – 3 – Cont..

**Solution:** Let,  $e$  = I got an Eid Bonus;  $s$  = I'll buy a stereo;  $m$  = I sell my motorcycle

1. **If** I got an Eid Bonus, I'll buy a stereo --  $(e \rightarrow s)$
2. **If** I sell my motorcycle, I'll but a stereo --  $(m \rightarrow s)$
3.  $\therefore$  **If** I get Eid bonus **or** I sell my motorcycle, **then** I'll buy a stereo –  $e \vee m \rightarrow s$

$e$	$s$	$m$	$e \rightarrow s$	$m \rightarrow s$	$e \vee m$	$e \vee m \rightarrow s$
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# Exercise – 3 – Cont..

**Solution:**  $(e \rightarrow s); (m \rightarrow s); \therefore e \vee m \rightarrow s$

e	s	m	$e \rightarrow s$	$m \rightarrow s$	$e \vee m$	$e \vee m \rightarrow s$
T	T	T	T	T	T	T
T	T	F	T	T	T	T
T	F	T	F	T	T	F
T	F	F	F	T	T	F
F	T	T	T	T	T	T
F	T	F	T	T	F	T
F	F	T	T	F	T	F
F	F	F	T	T	F	T

**The given argument is valid.**

# Inference Rule

- To help showing that a conclusion follows logically from a set of premises we may apply inference rules on the form,

$$p_1 \dots p_n \therefore q$$

- The validity of the rule is ensured

$\wedge_{i=1}^n p_i \vdash (p_1 \rightarrow q)$  is a Tautology

- A tautology is a statement which is always true. E.g.  $p \vee \neg p$ .

# Inference Rule

## □ Modus Ponens

$$\frac{p \quad p \rightarrow q}{\therefore q} \text{ (Based on } [p \wedge (p \rightarrow q) \rightarrow q])$$

## □ Modus Tollens

$$\frac{p \rightarrow q \quad \sim q}{\therefore \sim p} \text{ (Based on } [(p \rightarrow q) \wedge \sim q \rightarrow \sim p])$$

## □ Generalization

$$\frac{p}{\therefore p \vee q}, \frac{q}{\therefore p \vee q}$$

# Inference Rule

□ **Specialization**

$$\frac{p \wedge q}{\therefore p}, \frac{p \wedge q}{\therefore q}$$

□ **Elimination**

$$\frac{p \vee q, \sim q}{\therefore p}, \frac{p \vee q, \sim p}{\therefore q}$$

□ **Conjunction**

$$\frac{p, q}{\therefore p \wedge q}$$

□ **Transitivity**

$$\frac{p \rightarrow q, q \rightarrow r}{\therefore p \rightarrow r}$$



# Inference Rule -- Application – An Example

□ Example: You are about to leave for University in the morning and discover that you don't have your glasses. You know the following statements are true.

- A. If I was reading the newspaper in the kitchen, then my glasses are on the kitchen table.
- B. If my glasses are on the kitchen table, then I saw them at breakfast.
- C. I did not see my glasses at breakfast.
- D. I was reading the newspaper in the living room or I was reading the newspaper in the kitchen.
- E. If I was reading the newspaper in the living room then my glasses are on the coffee table.

Where are the glasses??

# Inference Rule -- Application – An Example

Assume, RK= Reading the newspaper in the kitchen.

GK= Glasses are on the kitchen table.

SB= I saw my glasses at breakfast.

RL= Reading the newspaper in the living room.

GC= Glasses are on the coffee table.

So by rules of inference,

$$1. \frac{\begin{array}{l} RK \rightarrow GK \quad (\text{by A}) \\ GK \rightarrow SB \quad (\text{by D}) \end{array}}{\therefore RK \rightarrow SB \text{ (Transitivity)}}$$

$$2. \frac{\begin{array}{l} RK \rightarrow SB \quad (\text{by 1}) \\ \sim SB \quad (\text{by C}) \end{array}}{\therefore \sim RK \text{ (by modus tollens)}}$$

$$3. \frac{\begin{array}{l} RL \rightarrow RK \quad (\text{by D}) \\ \sim RK \quad (\text{by 2}) \end{array}}{\therefore RL \text{ (by elimination)}}$$

$$4. \frac{\begin{array}{l} RL \rightarrow GC \quad (\text{by C}) \\ RL \quad (\text{by 3}) \end{array}}{\therefore GC \text{ (by modus ponens)}}$$

So the Glasses are on the Coffee table.

# Contradiction and Valid Arguments.

## □ Contradiction Rule

Suppose  $p$  is some statement whose truth  
you wish to deduce.

If you can show that the supposition that  $p$   
is false leads logically to a  
contradiction, then you can conclude  
that  $p$  is true.

# Contradiction and Valid Arguments.

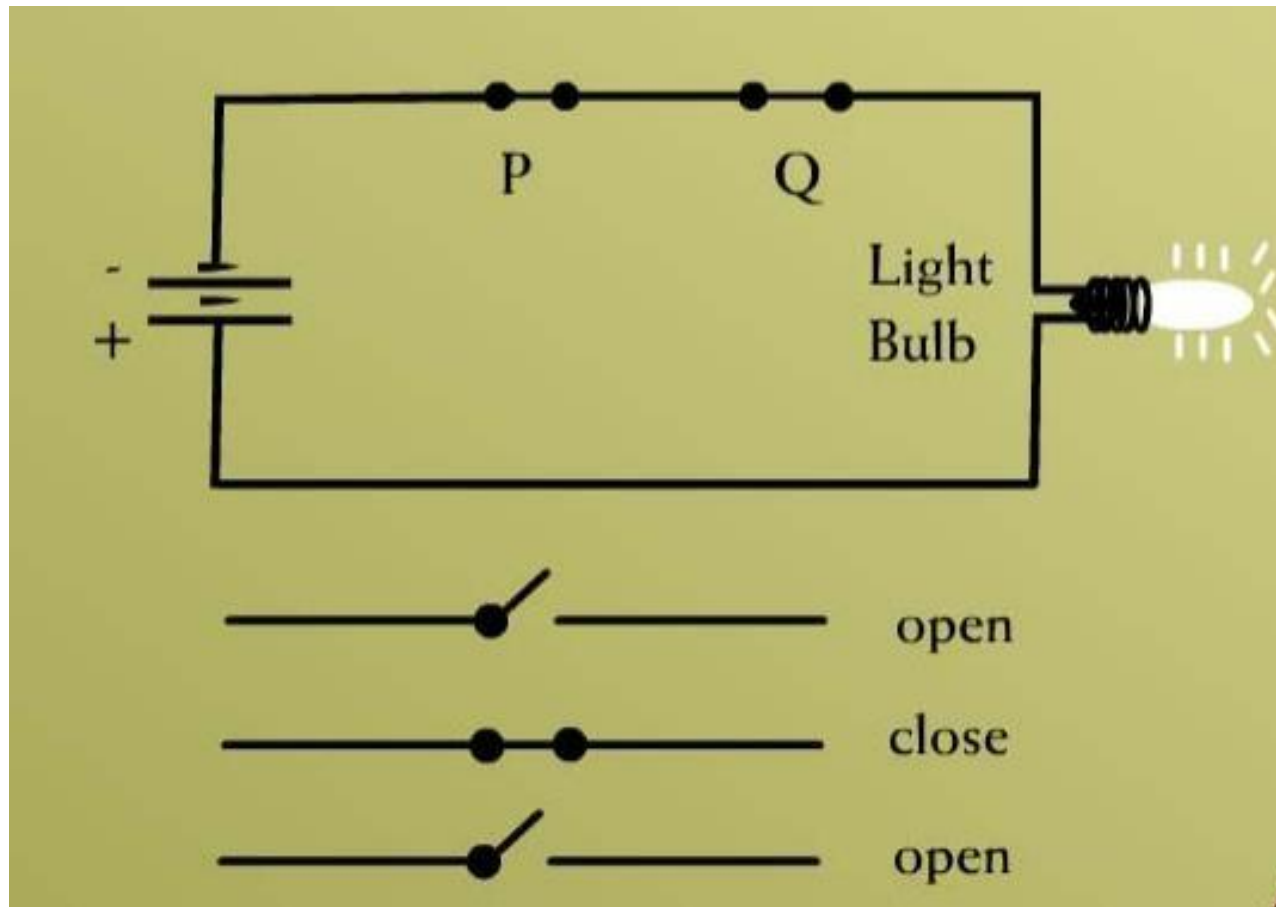
## □ Contradiction Rule

$\frac{\sim p \rightarrow c}{\therefore p}$ , where  $c$  is a contradiction

$p$	$\sim p$	$c$	$\sim p \rightarrow c$	$p$
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	F	F	F

Logical heart of the method of proof by contradiction.

# Switches in Series



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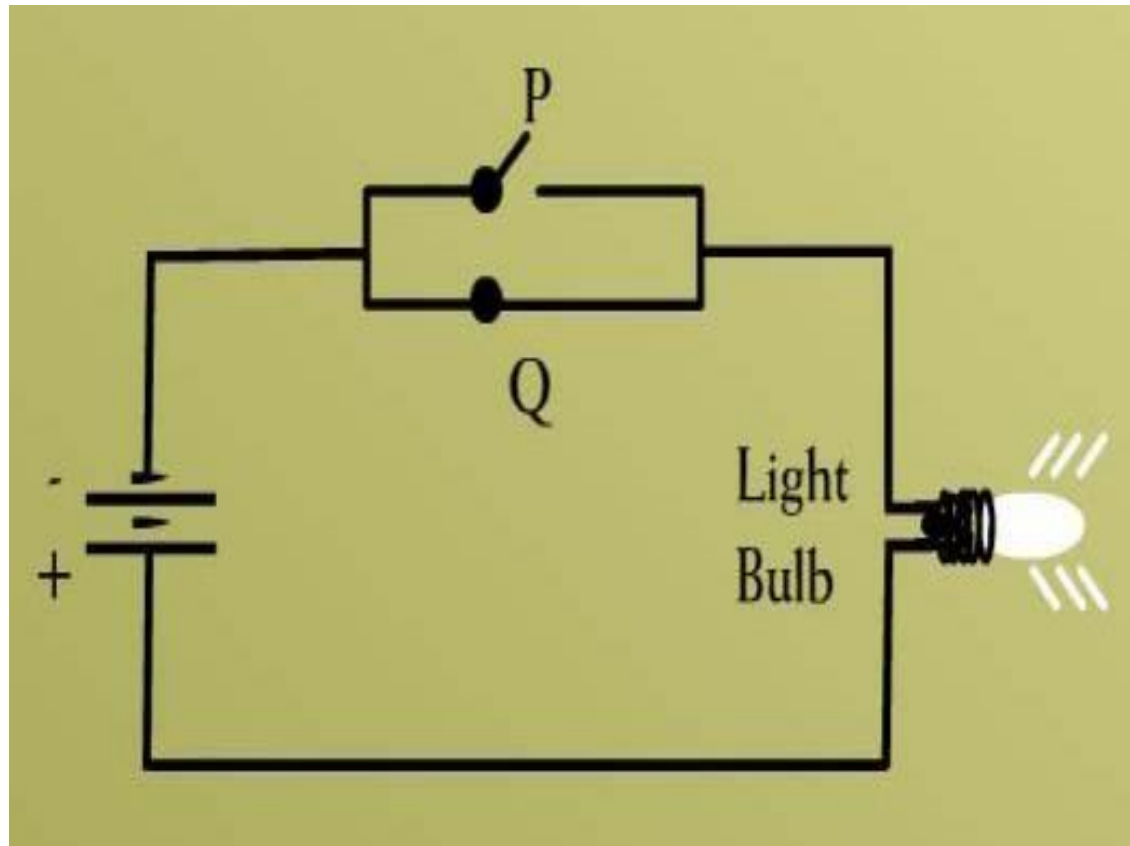
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P	Q	State
Open	Open	Off
Open	Closed	Off
Closed	Open	Off
Closed	Closed	On

# Switches in Series

Switches		Light Bulb
P	Q	State
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

P	Q	$P \wedge Q$
T	T	T
T	F	F
F	T	F
F	F	F

# Switches in Parallel





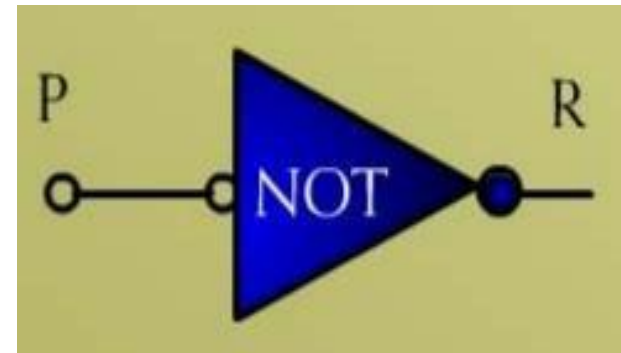
# Switches in Parallel

Switches		Light Bulb
P	Q	State
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

P	Q	$P \vee Q$
T	T	T
T	F	T
F	T	T
F	F	F

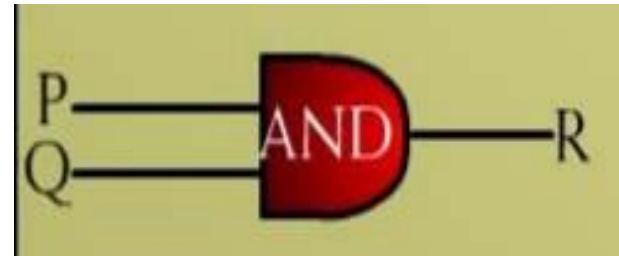
# Not Gate or Inverter

Input	Output
P	Q
1	0
0	1



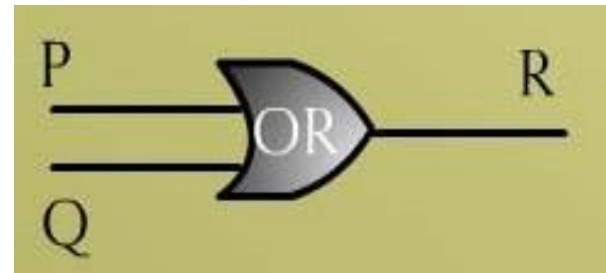
# AND Gate

Input		Output
P	Q	R
1	1	1
1	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0

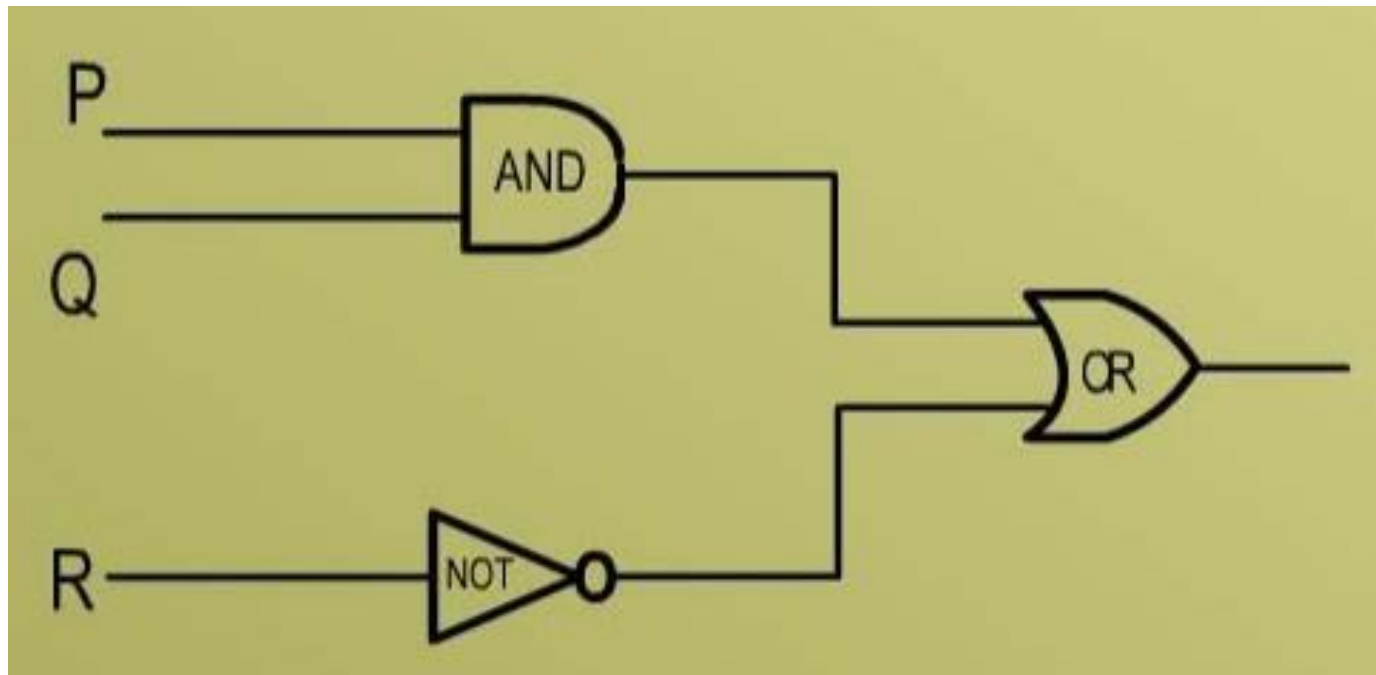


# OR Gate

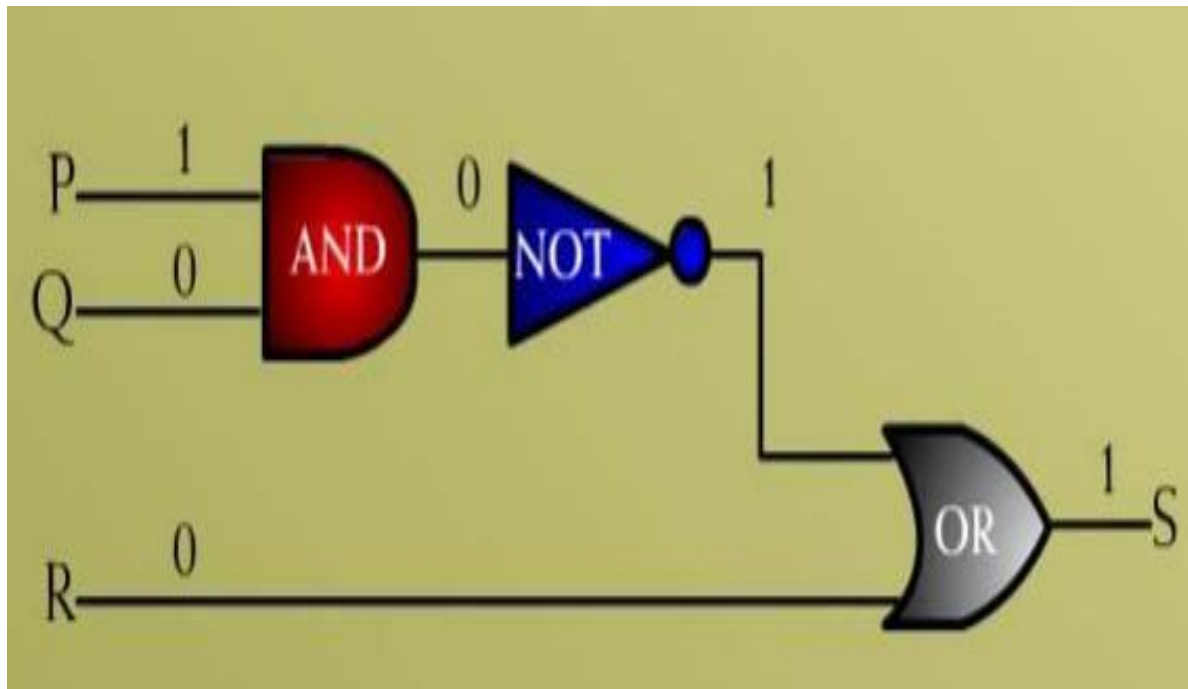
Input		Output
P	Q	R
1	1	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
0	0	0



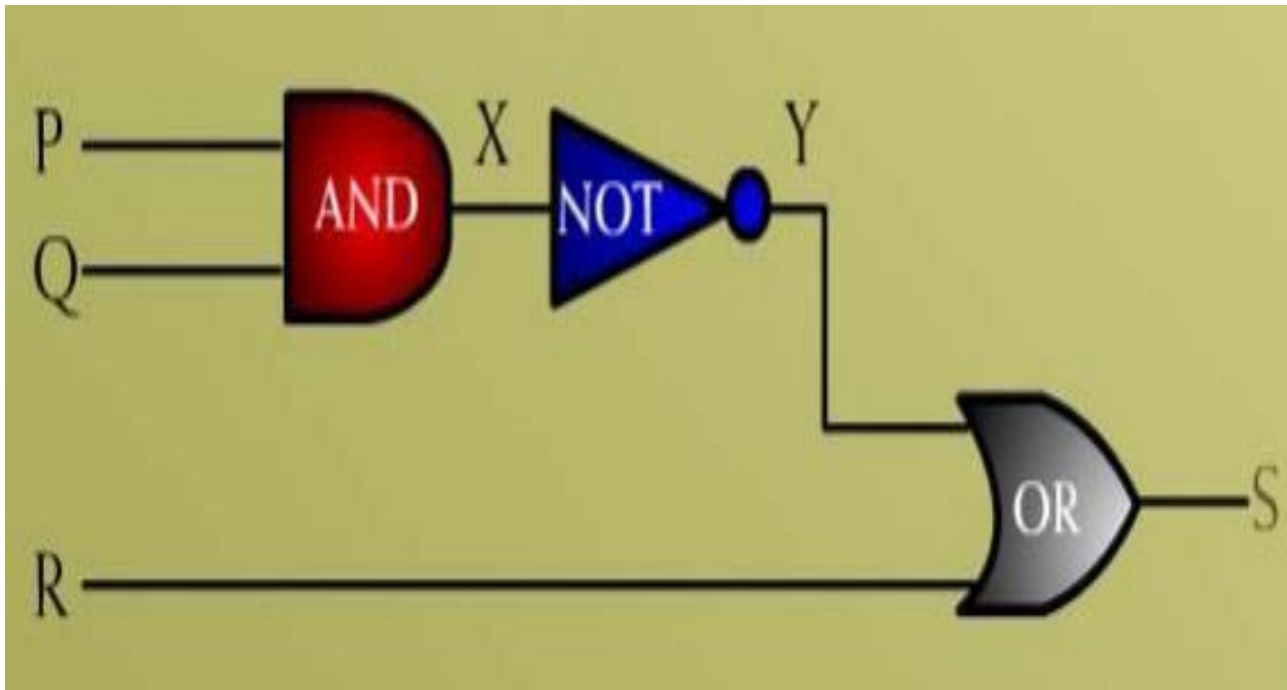
# Combinational Circuit



# Output for a given Input



# Input / Output table for a circuit



# Table for a circuit

P	Q	R	X	Y	S
1	1	1			
1	1	0			
1	0	1			
1	0	0			
0	1	1			
0	1	0			
0	0	1			
0	0	0			



# Table for a circuit – Cont.

P	Q	R	X	Y	S
1	1		1		
1	1		1		
1	0		0		
1	0		0		
0	1		0		
0	1		0		
0	0		0		
0	0		0		

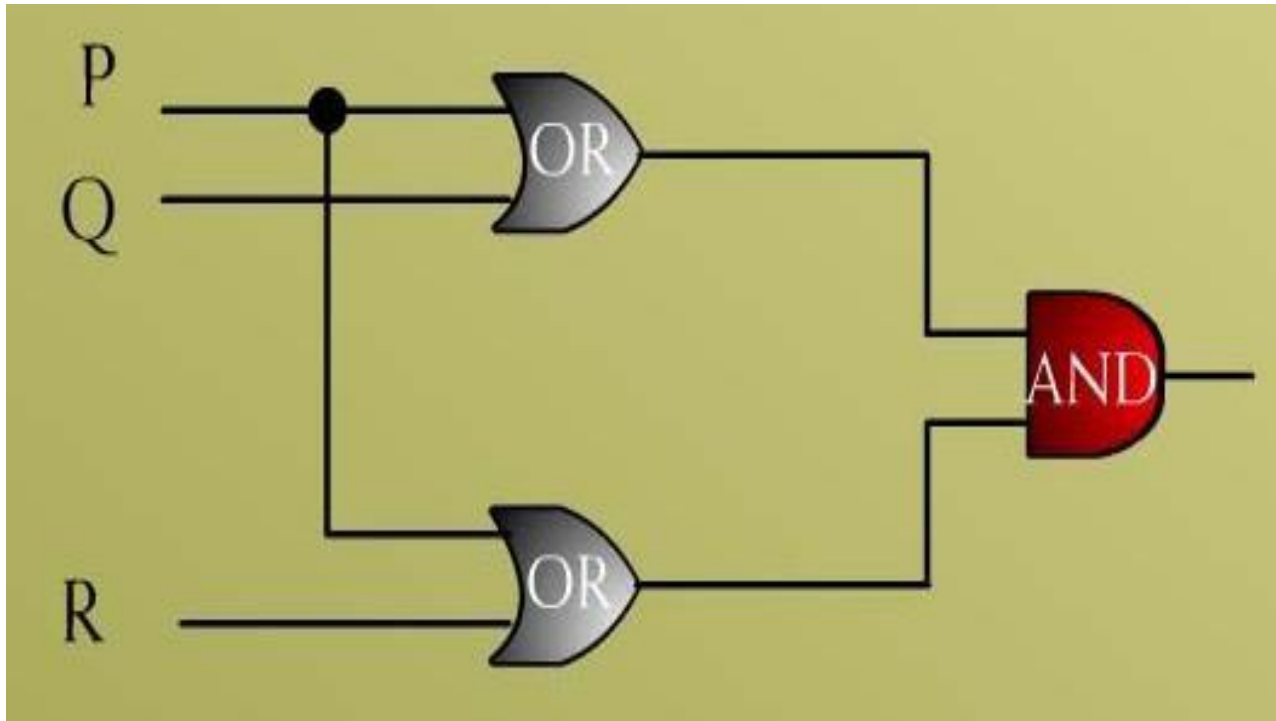
## Table for a circuit – Cont.

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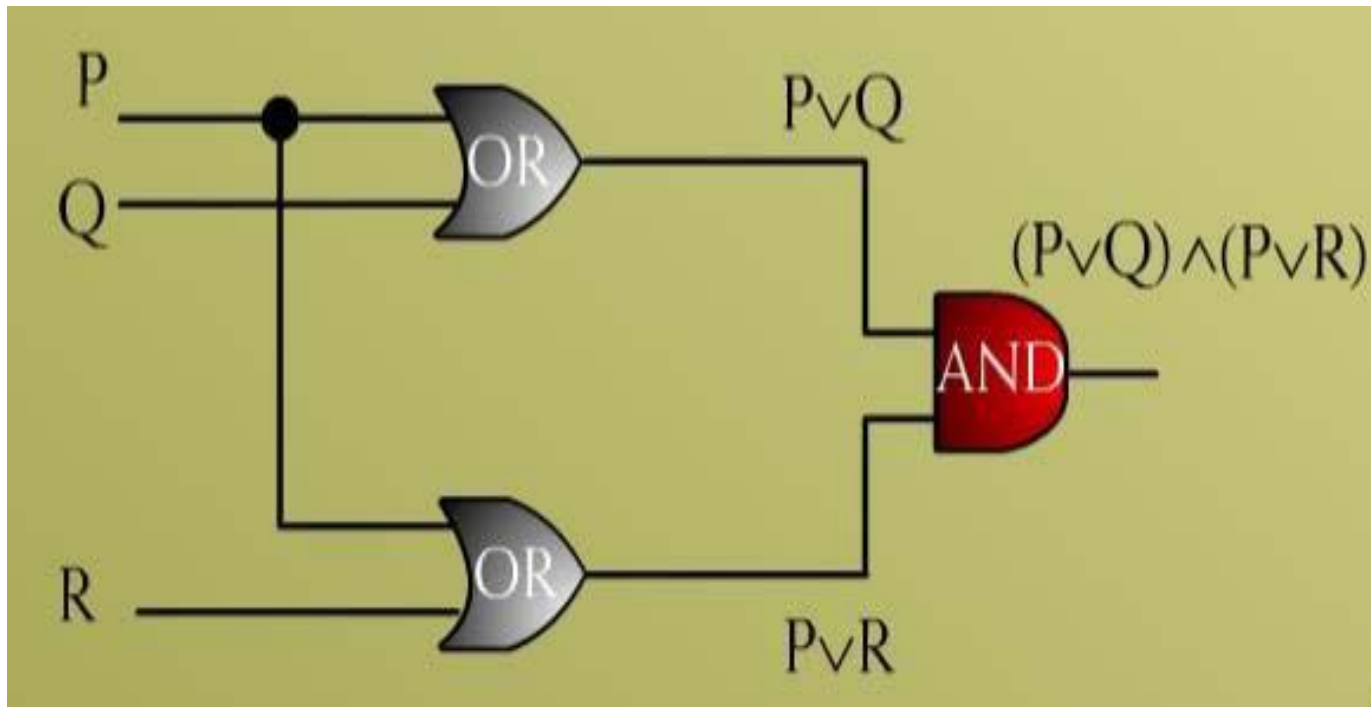
# Table for a circuit – Cont.

P	Q	R	X	Y	S
		1		0	1
		0		0	0
		1		1	1
		0		1	1
		1		1	1
		0		1	1
		1		1	1
		0		1	1

# Boolean Expression for a Circuit

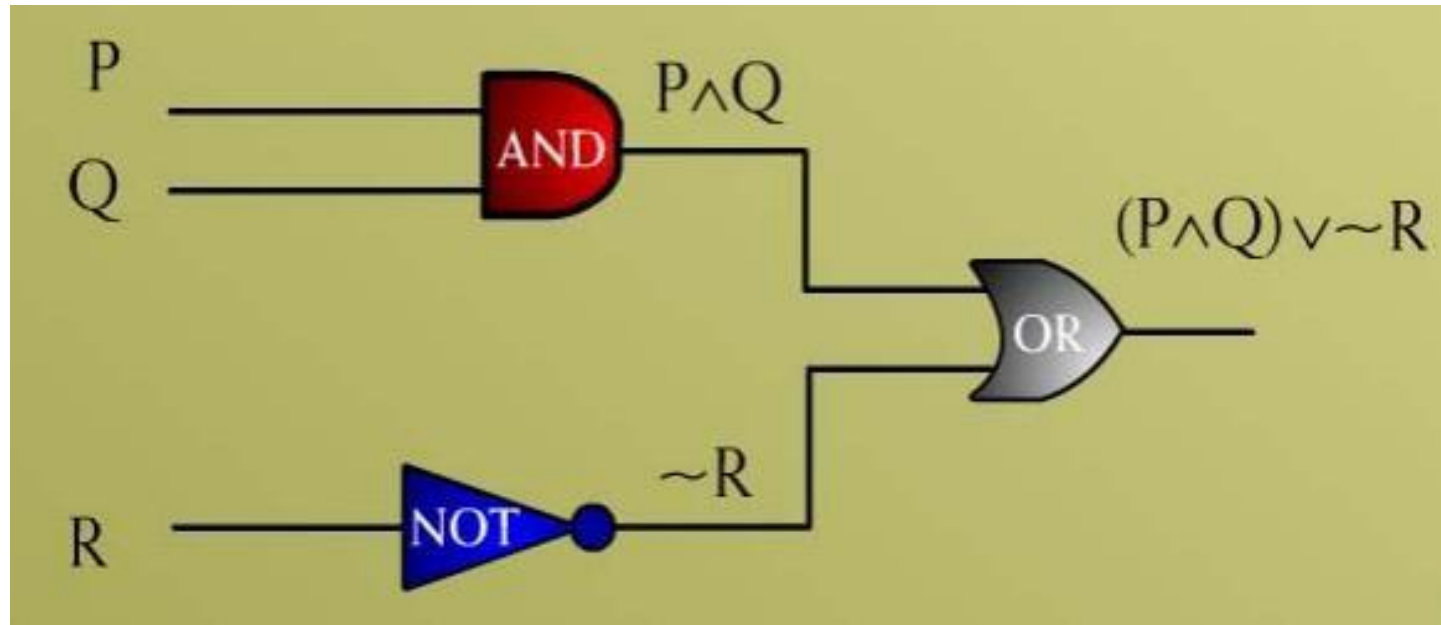


# Boolean Expression for a Circuit



# Circuit for a Boolean Expression

$$(P \wedge Q) \vee \sim R$$





# Circuit for Input / Output Table

INPUTS			OUTPUTS
P	Q	R	S
1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0

# Circuit for Input / Output Table – Sol.

INPUTS			OUTPUTS
P	Q	R	S
1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	0	0	0

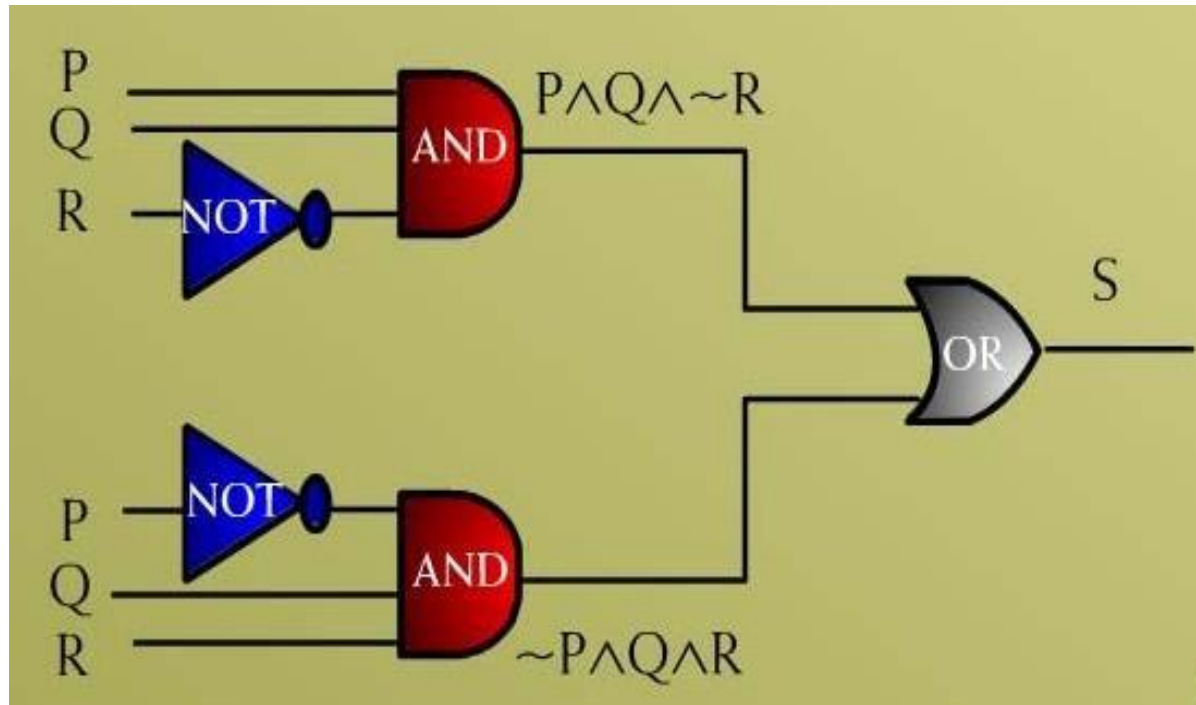
$$P \wedge Q \wedge \sim R$$


$$\sim P \wedge Q \wedge R$$




# Circuit Diagram

$$(P \wedge Q \wedge \sim R) \vee (\sim P \wedge Q \wedge R) = S$$



# Exercise – 1

Design a circuit to take **input** signals **P**, **Q**, and **R** and **output** a **1** if, and only if, **P** and **Q** have the same value and **Q** and **R** have opposite values.

# Exercise – 1: Sol.

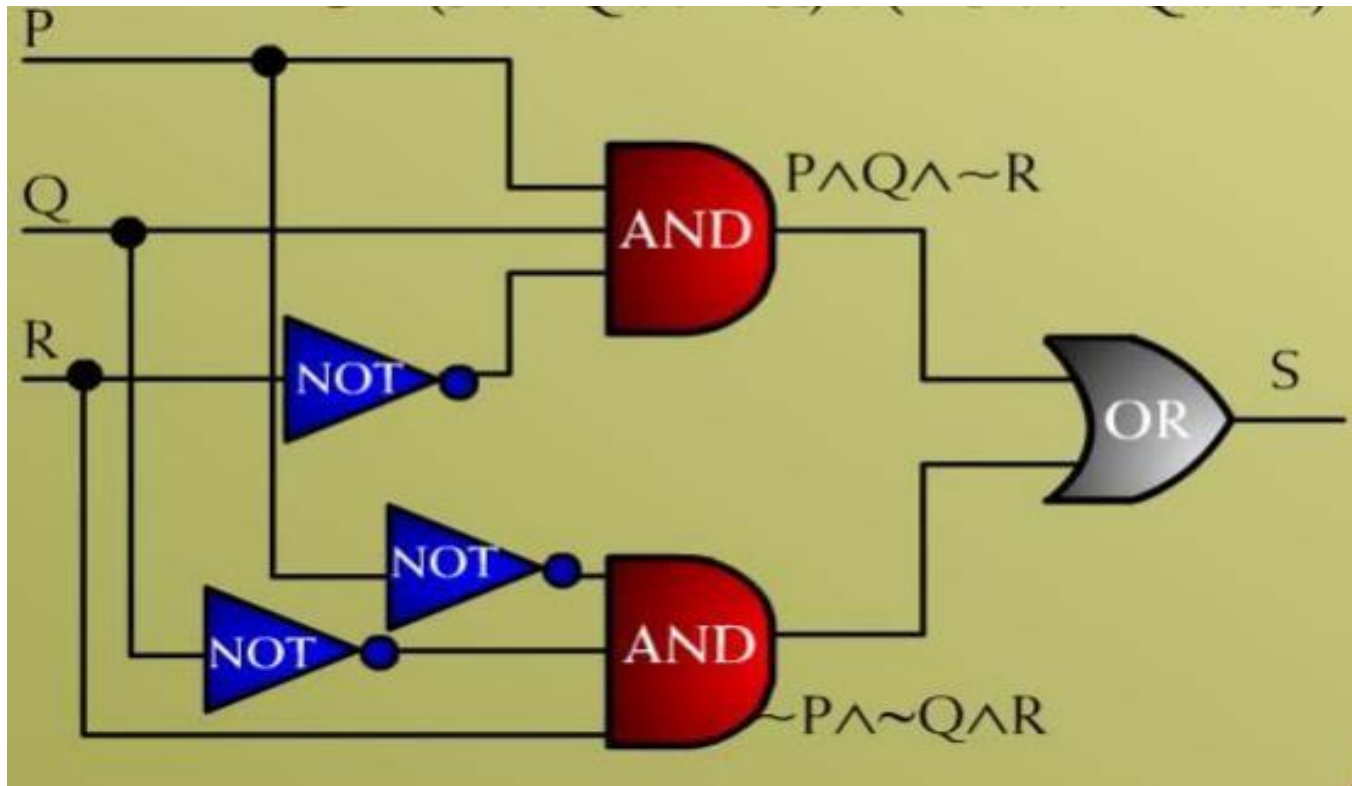
INPUTS			OUTPUTS
P	Q	R	S
1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	0	0	0

$$P \wedge Q \wedge \sim R$$

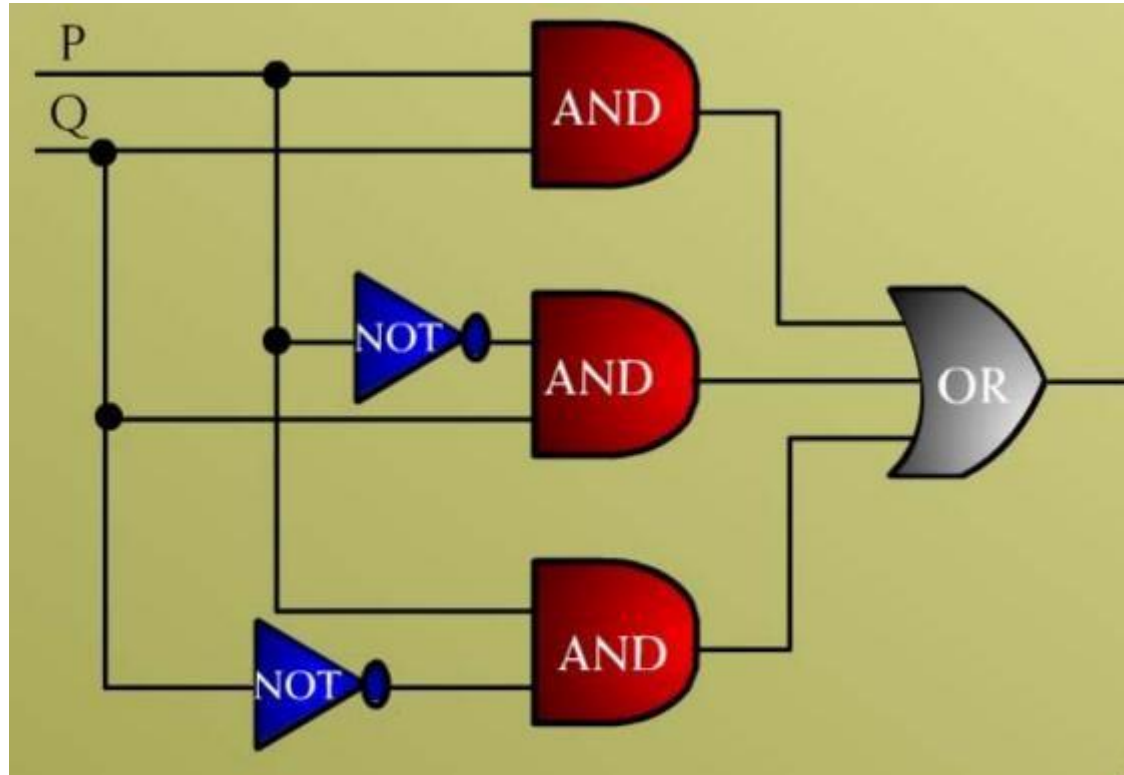
$$\sim P \wedge \sim Q \wedge R$$

# Exercise – 1: Sol.

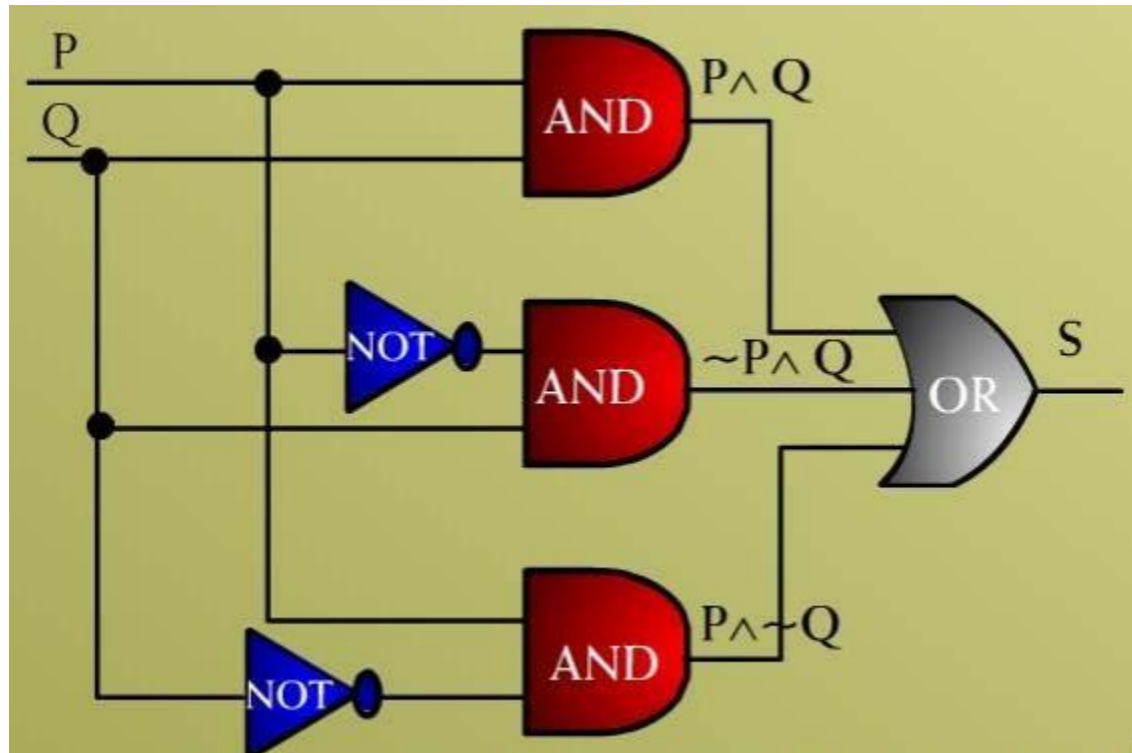
$$S = (P \wedge Q \wedge \sim R) \vee (\sim P \wedge \sim Q \wedge R)$$



# Exercise – 2



## Exercise – 2 : Sol.



OUTPUT:

$$S = (P \wedge Q) \vee (\neg P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge \neg Q)$$

## Exercise – 2 : Sol.

Statement	Reason
$(P \wedge Q) \vee (\sim P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge \sim Q)$	
$\equiv (P \wedge Q) \vee (\sim P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge \sim Q)$	
$\equiv (P \vee \sim P) \wedge Q \vee (P \wedge \sim Q)$	Distributive law
$\equiv t \wedge Q \vee (P \wedge \sim Q)$	Negation law
$\equiv Q \vee (P \wedge \sim Q)$	Identity law
$\equiv (Q \vee P) \wedge (Q \vee \sim Q)$	Distributive law

## Exercise – 2 : Sol.

Statement	Reason
$\equiv (Q \vee P) \wedge t$	Negation law
$\equiv Q \vee P$	Identity law
$\equiv Q \vee P$	Commutative law

Thus  $(P \wedge Q) \vee (\sim P \wedge Q) \vee (P \wedge \sim Q) \equiv P \vee Q$