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Introduction/Number Systems/Combinational Circuits

ELEC2141: Digital Circuit Design



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Course format

Formal face-to-face lectures (twice a week) Lecture videos

Tutorials (begin Week 2)

Fortnight online quizzes

Pre-lab quizzes (need to be completed prior to lab)

Laboratory sessions (begin Week 3)

Midterm exam (Week 5)

Design Assignments (due Week 6 and 9)



Assessment

Fortnight online quizzes	5%
Laboratory practical experiments	15%
Lab examination	5%
Assignments (I & II)	20%
Midterm exam (1 hour)	15%
Final Exam (2 hours)	40%



Course introduction

Will cover the analysis & design of digital circuits

Digital circuits manipulate discrete or digital voltage instead of continuous or analog voltages

They are used in personal computers, mobile phone, embedded control system



Overview

Information Representation

Introduction to digital circuits

Number systems

Binary numbers

Number conversion between bases

Binary codes

Logical gates

Boolean functions

Reading: Mano - Chapter 1, Chapter 2, 2.1-2.2

Information representation

Information represents physical parameters or man-made parameters

Known as signals

Most physical parameters are continuous- can take all possible values over a defined range

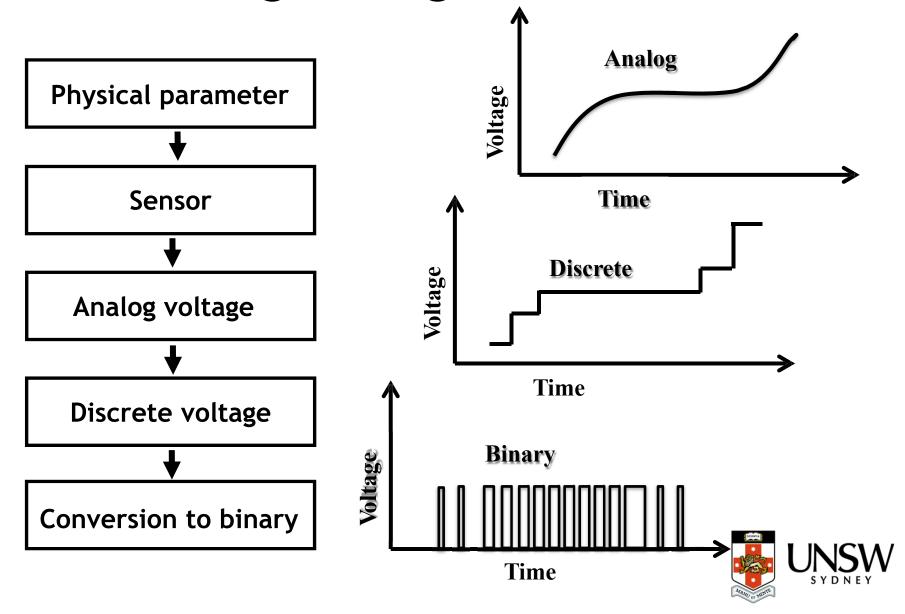
Example - temperature, humidity

Man-made parameters are discrete - can take only finite values over a defined range

Example - currency



Signal digitisation



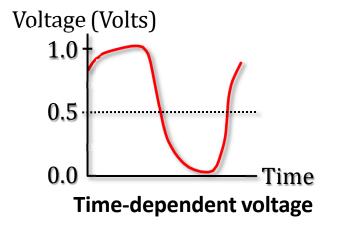
Digital circuits

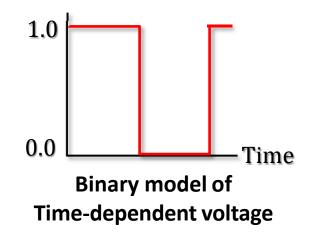
Digital Circuits can understand (manipulate and store) signals as only binary

Signals in digital circuits are in fact analog, but interpreted as binary

Binary signals can have amplitudes in only two ranges

The information associated with these ranges is represented by the voltage values of HIGH/LOW

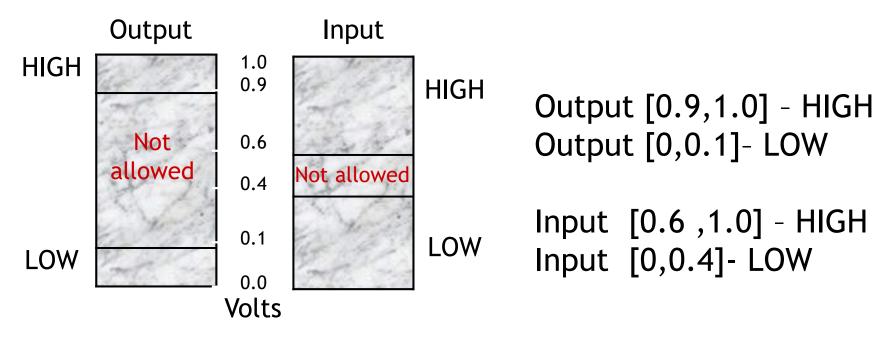






Binary signals

Binary signals are identified as HIGH/1/TRUE/On or LOW/0/FALSE/Off based on their range of values



Example voltage ranges

Noise margin - difference in range of values for input and output



Positive vs negative logic

Usually, the higher amplitude represents 1 and the lower amplitude represents 0 (called positive logic)

In negative logic, the lower amplitude represents 1 and the higher amplitude represents 0

The logic value 1 is also called high, true, or on The logic value 0 is also called low, false, or off



Digital voltage values

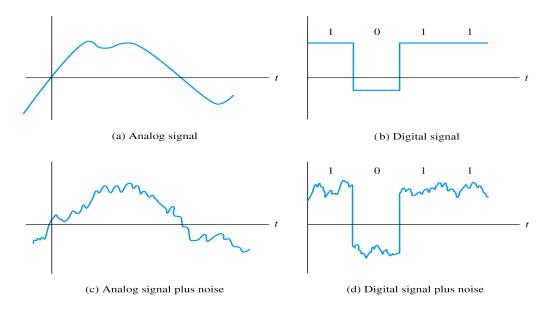
	TTL		3.3 V CMOS		5V CMOS	
	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH
INPUT	0 - 0.8	2 - 5	0 - 0.8	2 - 3.3	0 - 1.5	2.7 - 5
OUTPUT	0 - 0.5	2.7 - 5	0 - 0.4	2.4 -3.3	0 - 0.5	3.5 - 5
Noise Margin	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.4	1.0	0.8



Advantages of digital signals

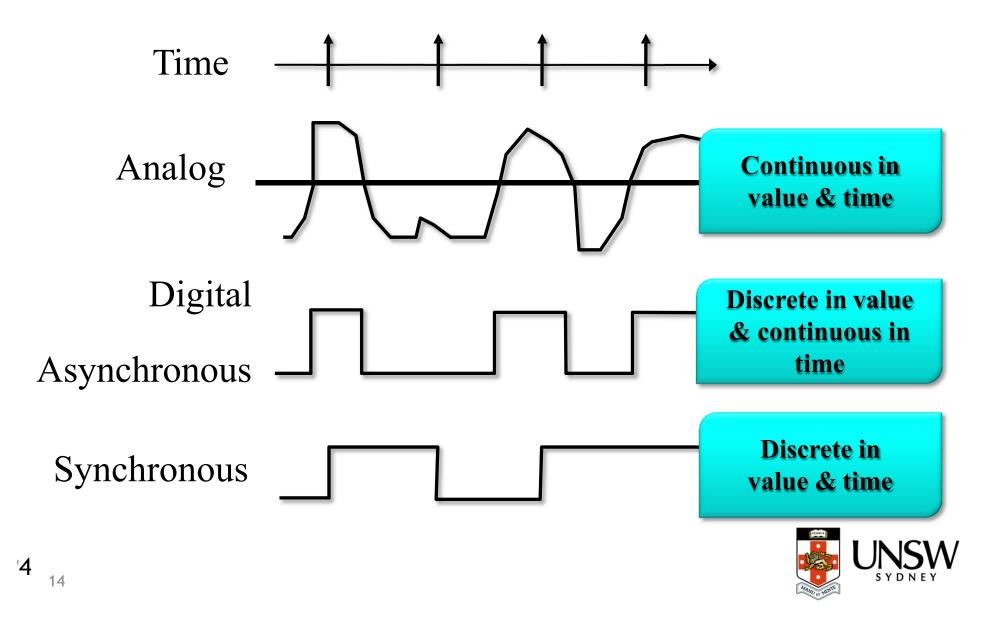
Even when noise in signal is large, logic values can still be determined in presence of noise unlike analog signals

Also significantly more economical



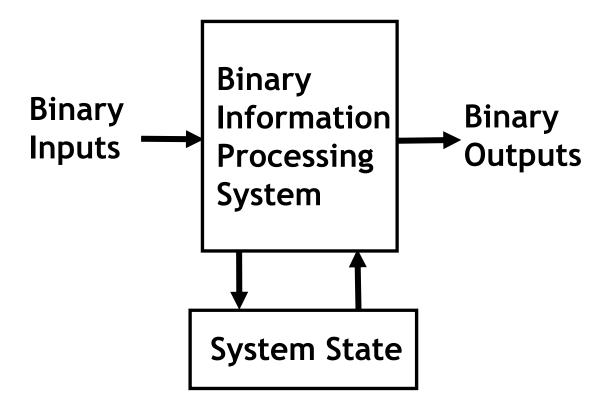


Signal over time example



Digital circuits

Digital circuits have binary inputs, process binary signals, store binary signals (states), and generate binary outputs.





Types of digital circuits

Combinational logic circuits

No state present

Sequential logic circuits

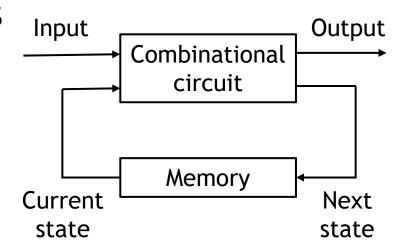
State present

State updated at discrete times

=> Synchronous Sequential circuits

State updated at any time

=> Asynchronous Sequential circuits





Digital system example

Digital Counter



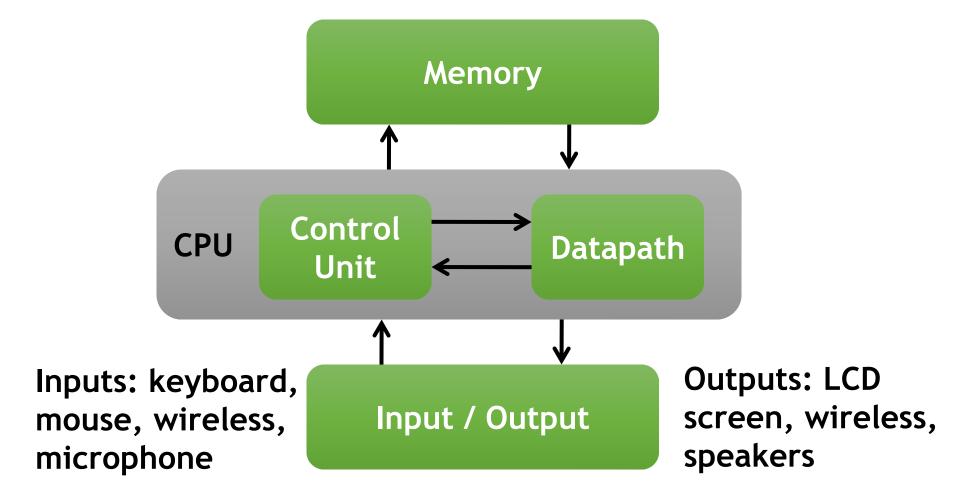
Inputs: Count Up, Reset

Outputs: Visual Display

State: "Value" of stored digits



Digital computer



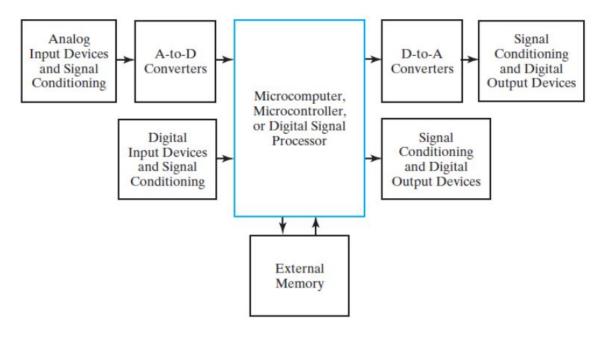


And beyond - embedded systems

Computers as integral parts of other products

Examples of embedded computers

Microcomputers, microcontrollers, digital signal processors





Binary physical quantities

Examples of some physical representations for binary 0 and 1 include

CPU: Voltage

Disk: Magnetic Field Direction

CD: Surface Pits

Dynamic RAM: *Electrical Charge*



Hierarchy in a digital system

Digital system



Digital modules:

Adders, Memories, Registers, state machines



Logic gates:

AND, OR, NAND, NOR, NOT



Transistors:

BJT (TTL) and CMOS, ...

IC Technology (VLSI technology):

Bipolar, CMOS, ...



Semiconductor foundry:

Intel, GF, TSMC, IBM, ...



Number systems

A decimal number 724.5_{10} can be represented as

$$724.5_{10} = 7x10^2 + 2x10^1 + 4x10^0 + 5x10^{-1}$$

A decimal number with n digits to the left of the decimal point and m digits to the right is represented as

$$A_{n-1}A_{n-2}...A_1A_0.A_{-1}A_{-2}...A_{-m+1}A_{-m}$$

$$A_i = 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 \text{ or } 9$$

A number in base or radix r with n-digits to the left of the radix point and m-digits to the right is represented by a string of coefficients and expressed as a power series in r

$$(number)_r = \left(\sum_{i=0}^{i=n-1} A_i \cdot r^i\right) + \left(\sum_{i=-m}^{j=-1} A_j \cdot r^j\right)$$



Binary numbers

Binary (base 2) numbers are widely used in digital systems

Base 2 system only has two possible digits: 0 and 1

Digits in binary numbers are called bits (Binary Digits)

The rightmost bit in a binary number is referred to as the Least Significant Bit (LSB)

Similarly, the leftmost bit is referred to as the *Most Significant Bit* (MSB)



Binary to decimal example

Example:

$$11010_2 =$$

In practice, when calculating binary values, omit all 0-bits and add values for 1-bits

Example (with fractions):



Problem

Determine the decimal values of 0111011110₂ =

100101.101₂ =



Positive powers of 2

Useful for base conversion

Value

16

32

64

128

256

512

1,024

10

Exponent

Exponent	Value
11	2,048
12	4,096
13	8,192
14	16,384
15	32,768
16	65,536
17	131,072
18	262,144
19	524,288
20	1,048,576
21	2,097,152

Memorize if you can (and have too much time on your hands)



Special powers of 2

2¹⁰ (1,024) is Kilo, denoted "K"

2²⁰ (1,048,576) is Mega, denoted "M"

2³⁰ (1,073,741,824) is Giga, denoted "G"

2⁴⁰ (1,099,511,627,776) is Tera, denoted "T"



Decimal to binary integer

Repeatedly divide integers by 2 to obtain quotient and remainder

Read remainders in reverse order

Example - convert 41₁₀ to binary:



Another conversion example

Can convert decimal to any other base

Example - Convert 388₁₀ to base 7:



Problems

Determine the binary value of 455₁₀

Determine the octal (8) value of 641₁₀



Decimal fractions to binary

Repeatedly multiply fractions by 2 to obtain integer product and fraction

Read integer products in order

Example - convert 0.6875₁₀ to binary:



Additional issue in fractional part

Note that in this conversion, the fractional part can become 0 as a result of the repeated multiplications

In general, it may take many bits to get this to happen or it may never happen

Example: Convert 0.65₁₀ to binary

0.65 = 0.1010011001001...

The fractional part begins repeating every 4 steps, yielding repeating 1001 forever!

Solution: Specify number of bits to right of radix point and round/truncate to this number UNSW

Problem

Convert 341.23₁₀ to binary with 6 bits in fractional part

$$0.23 \times 2 = 0.46$$

$$0.46x2 = 0.92$$
 0

$$0.92x2 = 1.84$$
 1

$$0.84 \times 2 = 1.68$$
 1

$$0.68x2 = 1.36$$
 1

$$0.36 \times 2 = 0.72$$



Conversion between bases

In general, to convert between bases, you need to convert to decimal first, and then from decimal to the target base (exceptions follow)

So, to convert from one base to another:

- 1) Convert the integer part
- 2) Convert the fraction part
- 3) Join the two results with a radix point



Commonly occurring bases

Name	Radix	Digits
Binary	2	0, 1
Octal	8	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
Decimal	10	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
Hexadecimal	16	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, A, B, C, D, E, F

The six letters A, B, C, D, E, and F in hexadecimal represent the digits for values 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 respectively

Usually, the prefix 0x is added to indicate a hexadecimal number - e.g. 0xA5



Numbers in different bases

Decimal (Base 10)	Binary (Base 2)	Octal (Base 8)	Hexadecimal (Base 16)
00	0000	00	0
01	0001	01	1
02	0010	02	2
03	0011	03	3
04	0100	04	4
05	0101	05	5
06	0110	06	6
07	0111	07	7
08	1000	10	8
09	1001	11	9
10	1010	12	Α
11	1011	13	В
12	1100	14	С
13	1101	15	D
14	1110	16	E
15	1111	17	F



Hexadecimal to binary and back

Hexadecimal (or Octal) to Binary:

Restate each hexadecimal (octal) digit as the corresponding four (three) bits starting at the radix point and going both ways

Binary to Hexadecimal (or Octal):

Group the binary digits into four (three) bit groups starting at the radix point and going both ways, padding with zeros as needed in the fractional part Convert each group of four (three) bits to a hexadecimal (octal) digit

010 111 011 001 2731 - octal 0101 1101 1001 5D9 - HEXA



Octal to hexadecimal via binary

Example: Convert the octal number 26153.7406₈ to binary and therefore to hexadecimal



Problem

Convert 2B.5₁₆ to binary and octal



Binary coding

Flexibility of representation

Within the constraints below, can assign any binary combination (called a code word) to any data as long as data is uniquely encoded

Information Types

Numeric Non-numeric



Non-numeric binary codes

Given *n* bits, a binary code is a mapping from a set of represented elements to a subset of the 2ⁿ binary numbers

Example:

A binary code for the seven colors of the rainbow Code 100 is not used

Color	Binary Code
Red	000
Orange	001
Yellow	010
Green	011
Blue	101
Indigo	110
Violet	111



Number of bits required

Given M elements to be represented by a binary code, the n minimum number of bits needed satisfies the following relationship:

$$2^{(n-1)} < M \le 2^n$$
 or $n \ge \lceil \log_2 M \rceil$

Where this is the *ceiling function* - the integer greater than or equal to the argument

Example: How many bits are required to represent decimal digits with a binary code?



Number of elements represented

Given n digits in radix r, there are r^n distinct elements that can be represented

But can represent less elements, m, such that: $m < r^n$

Examples:

You can represent 4 elements in radix r = 2 with n = 2 digits:

You can represent 4 elements in radix r = 2 with n = 4 digits:



Decimal codes - BCD and gray code

Two useful ways to code decimal digits into binary are *Binary Coded Decimal* (BCD) and *Gray Code*

Decimal	BCD	Gray Code
0	0000	0000
1	0001	0100
2	0010	0101
3	0011	0111
4	0100	0110
5	0101	0010
6	0110	0011
7	0111	0001
8	1000	1001
9	1001	1000



Binary coded decimal (BCD)

BCD is the simplest, most intuitive binary code for decimal digits and uses the same powers of 2 as a binary number, but only encodes the first ten values from 0 to 9

Every digit in a decimal number is encoded separately and then combined together

Example (BCD coding):

$$185_{10} = 0001 \ 1000 \ 0101$$

Compare with (binary conversion):

$$185_{10} = 10111001$$



Gray code

Gray code is a binary code where two successive values differ in only one bit change

Example - using the gray code assignments given earlier for decimal digits, only one bit changes on the transition from 3_{10} to 4_{10} :

$$0111_{GC} \rightarrow 0110_{GC}$$

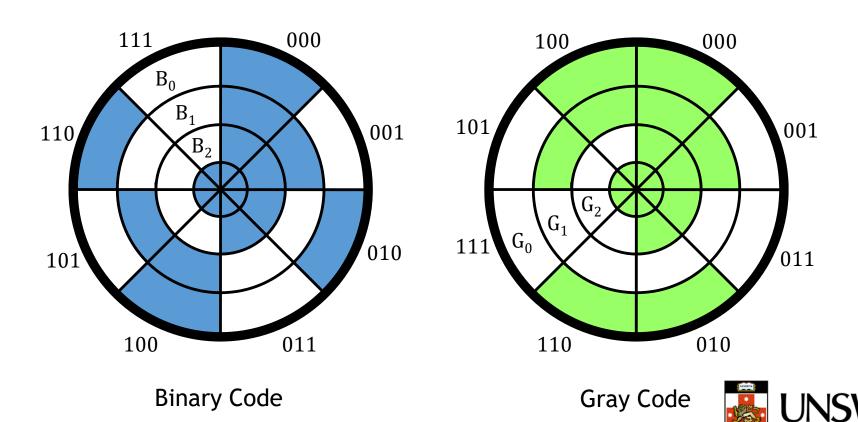
Compare with regular binary code, three bits change on the same transition:



Optical shaft encoder using gray code

What is it good for?

An example: Optical Shaft Encoder



Alphanumeric codes

Digital systems need to handle both numeric and non-numeric (characters or symbols) data.

It is necessary to formulate a binary code for letters of the alphabets, numerals and special characters.

Alphanumeric character set is a set of elements that include the 10 decimal digits, the 26 letters of the alphabet (lower and upper case), and a number of special characters.



Alphanumeric codes - ASCII Code

64 to 128 elements in this character set.

Standard binary code for the alphanumeric characters is the American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII), which uses seven bits to code 128 characters.

ASCII includes 10 numerals, 26 upper case letters, 26 lower case letters, 32 special printable characters such as %,@, and \$, and 34 non-printing characters.



Alphanumeric codes - ASCII Code American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII)

	$B_7B_6B_5$							
$B_4B_3B_2B_1$	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111
0000	NULL	DLE	SP	0	@	P	`	p
0001	SOH	DC1	!	1	A	Q	a	q
0010	STX	DC2		2	В	R	b	r
0011	ETX	DC3	#	3	C	S	c	S
0100	EOT	DC4	\$	4	D	T	d	t
0101	ENQ	NAK	%	5	E	U	e	u
0110	ACK	SYN	&	6	F	V	f	v
0111	BEL	ETB	,	7	G	W	g	W
1000	BS	CAN	(8	H	X	h	X
1001	HT	EM)	9	I	Y	i	y
1010	LF	SUB	*	:	J	\mathbf{Z}	j	Z
1011	VT	ESC	+	;	K	1	k	{
1100	FF	FS	,	<	L	1	1	Ĺ
1101	CR	GS	-	=	M	1	m	}
1110	SO	RS		>	N	^	n	~
1111	SI	US	/	?	O	_	0	DE

Control Characters

NULL	NULL	DLE	Data link escape
SOH	Start of heading	DC1	Device control 1
STX	Start of text	DC2	Device control 2
ETX	End of text	DC3	Device control 3
EOT	End of transmission	DC4	Device control 4
ENQ	Enquiry	NAK	Negative acknowledge
ACK	Acknowledge	SYN	Synchronous idle
BEL	Bell	ETB	End of transmission block
BS	Backspace	CAN	Cancel
HT	Horizontal tab	EM	End of medium
LF	Line feed	SUB	Substitute
VT	Vertical tab	ESC	Escape
FF	Form feed	FS	File separator
CR	Carriage return	GS	Group separator
SO	Shift out	RS	Record separator
SI	Shift in	US	Unit separator
SP	Space	DEL	Delete



Binary logic and gates

Interconnected transistors form logic gates

Each gate has inputs and an output. It performs a specific logical operation on its binary inputs and provides a binary value at the output

Inputs and output of a logic gate are designated by alphabetical variables

These variables can assume only 1 or 0 values and are known as binary variables

Three basic logical operations: AND, OR, and NOT



AND gate

AND is represented by a dot or an absence of an operator

$$Z = X \cdot Y = XY = X \wedge Y$$

Z is 1 if and only if X = 1 and Y = 1; otherwise Z = 0

$$X \cdot Y$$

 $0.0 = 0$
 $0.1 = 0$
 $1.0 = 0$
 $1.1 = 1$

Can be extended to more than two input binary variables Also called logical multiplication



OR gate

OR is represented by a plus symbol or "v"

$$Z = X + Y = X \vee Y$$

Z is 1 if X = 1 or Y = 1; Z is 0 if X = 0 and Y = 0

$$X + Y$$

0+0 = 0
0+1 = 1

OR logical operation can be extended to more than two input binary variables

Also called logical addition



NOT gate

NOT is represented by a bar over the variable

$$Z = \bar{X}$$

Z is 1 if X = 0 and Z is 0 if X = 1

X

 $\overline{0} = 1$

 $\overline{1} = 0$

Also called an inverter



Truth tables

A *Truth Table* is a tabular form that uniquely represents the relationship between the input variables of a function and its output

A function F that depends on n variables will have 2^n rows

AND

X	Y	$Z = X \cdot Y$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

OR

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

NOT

X	$Z = \overline{X}$
0	1
1	0



Problem

Building a Truth Table for 3 and 4 input variables

X	Y	Z	F

W	X	Y	Z	F



Logic gates

Logical gates are electrical circuits that implement logical operations

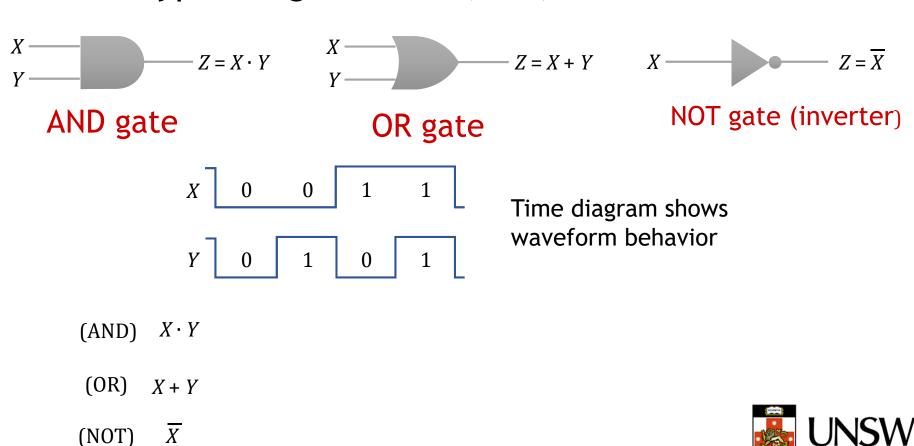
The input terminals accept voltage signals within allowable range (as a binary signal) and gives out at the output terminal a binary signal that also falls with in the allowable range

Intermediate values are crossed only during transitions from 0 to 1 or otherwise



Graphical gate representation

Graphical (symbolical) representations of the three types of gates: AND, OR, NOT



Boolean algebra

Boolean Algebra is an algebra dealing with binary variables and logic operations.

A *Boolean expression* is an algebraic expression formed by using binary variables, the constants 0 and 1, the logic operation symbols, and parentheses

The order of evaluation in a Boolean expression:

(), NOT, AND, OR



Boolean functions

A Boolean function is a Boolean equation consisting of a binary variable identifying the function followed by an equal sign and Boolean expression

Boolean expression

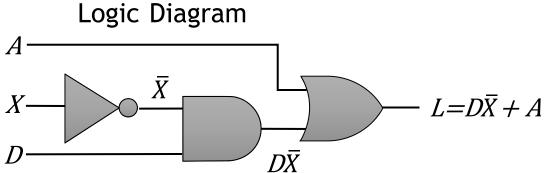
$$L(D,X,A) = D\bar{X} + A$$

Boolean function or Boolean equation

A Boolean function can be transformed into a circuit diagram (logic diagram) composed of logic gates and interconnected by wires



Boolean functions



A Boolean function can be represented by a truth table

It uniquely represents the relationship between the input variables of a function and its output

A function F that depends on n variables will have 2^n rows

D	X	A	$L = D\overline{X} + A$
0	0	0	
0	0	1	
0	1	0	
0	1	1	
1	0	0	
1	0	1	
1	1	0	
1	1	1	



Boolean functions

The Boolean function, however, can be expressed by various Boolean equations, which are not the same but equivalent. e.g. L and F have the same function and truth table

$$L(D, X, A) = D\overline{X} + A$$

$$F(D, X, A) = D\overline{X} + AD + A\overline{D}$$

The Boolean equation dictates the interconnection of gates in the logic circuit diagram

Simpler expression reduces the number of gates and the number of inputs into the gates

Problem

Use a truth table to find F where

$$F(A,B,C) = A\overline{C} + C(A+B) + \overline{BC}$$

\boldsymbol{A}	В	С	$Aar{C}$	A + B	C(A+B)	BC	\overline{BC}	F



Combinational logic circuit

$$F(D,X,A) = D\overline{X} + AD + A\overline{D}$$

A combinational logic circuit can be constructed to implement a Boolean function F, by appropriately connecting input signals and logic gates:

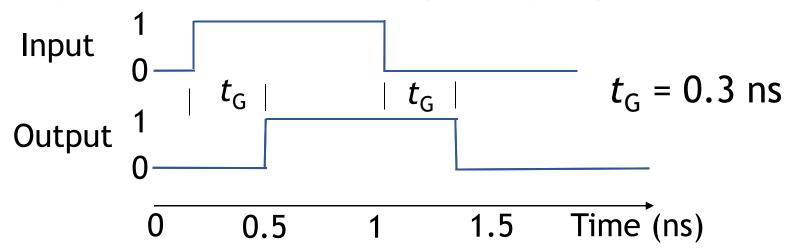
Circuit input signals \rightarrow from function variables (D, X, A)Circuit output signal \rightarrow function output FLogic gates \rightarrow from logic operations



Gate delay

In reality, there is always a gate delay

Gate delay - the length of time it takes for an input changes to result in the corresponding output change



Gate delay is a function of gate type, number of inputs, underlying technology, and circuit design of the gate.



Basic identities of Boolean algebra

1. X + 0 = X	$2. X \cdot 1 = X$	Identity
3. $X + 1 = 1$	$4. X \cdot 0 = 0$	Null
5. X + X = X	$6. X \cdot X = X$	Idempotence
$7. X + \overline{X} = 1$	$8. X \cdot \overline{X} = 0$	Complementarity
$9.\overline{\overline{X}} = X$		Involution

AND

X	Y	$Z = X \cdot Y$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

OR

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



Basic identities of Boolean algebra

10. $Y+X = X+Y$	11. $Y \cdot X = X \cdot Y$	Commutative
12. $X + (Y + Z)$ = $(X+Y) + Z$	13. (XY)Z = X(YZ)	Associative
14. X (Y + Z) = XY + XZ	15. $X + Y Z = (X + Y) (X + Z)$	Distributive
16. $\overline{X+Y} = \overline{X}\overline{Y}$	17. $\overline{XY} = \overline{X} + \overline{Y}$	DeMorgan's law

AND

X	Y	$Z = X \cdot Y$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

OR

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



Basic identities of Boolean algebra

Any expression can replace the variable X in all Boolean identities

e.g.
$$X+1=1$$
 then with $X=AB+C$
 $AB+C+1=1$

Identity 10 -14 are similar to ordinary algebra. However, Identity 15 does not hold in ordinary algebra. Identity 16 and 17 are the very important DeMorgan's rules

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



Basic identities of boolean algebra

DeMorgan's law can be extended to three or more variables. The general DeMorgan's theorem can be expressed as

$$\overline{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n} = \overline{X_1} \, \overline{X_2} \, \dots \overline{X_n}$$

$$\overline{X_1 X_2 \dots X_n} = \overline{X_1} + \overline{X_2} + \dots + \overline{X_n}$$



Duality

The dual of an algebraic expression is obtained by interchanging + and \cdot and interchanging 0's and 1's

Any Boolean theorem that can be proven is thus also proven for its dual!

Previous identities appear in dual pairs

Example:

$$XY + \overline{X}Z + YZ = XY + \overline{X}Z$$

Dual $(X + Y)(\overline{X} + Z)(Y + Z) = (X + Y)(\overline{X} + Z)$



Problem

Use a truth table to prove that the dual of $XY + \overline{X}Z + YZ$ is $(X + Y)(\overline{X} + Z)(Y + Z)$



Useful theorems of Boolean algebra

X+XY=X	X(X+Y)=X	Absorption
$XY + X\overline{Y} = X$	$(X+Y)(\overline{X}+Y)=X$	Minimization
$X+\overline{X}Y = X+Y$	$X(\overline{X}+Y)=XY$	Simplification
$XY + \overline{X}Z + YZ = XY + \overline{X}Z$	$(X+Y)(\overline{X}+Z)(Y+Z)=(X+Y)(\overline{X}+Z)$	Consensus



Proof of absorption theorem

X+XY=X	X(X+Y)=X



Proof of minimization theorem

$$XY + X\overline{Y} = X$$
 $(X + Y) (\overline{X} + Y) = X$



Proof of simplification theorem

$$X + \overline{X}Y = X + Y$$
 $X(\overline{X} + Y) = XY$



Proof of consensus theorem

$$XY + \overline{X}Z + YZ = XY + \overline{X}Z$$
 $(X + Y)(\overline{X} + Z)(Y + Z) = (X + Y)(\overline{X} + Z)$

$$XY + \overline{X}Z + YZ = XY + \overline{X}Z + YZ \cdot 1$$

$$= XY + \overline{X}Z + YZ(X + \overline{X})$$

$$= XY + \overline{X}Z + XYZ + \overline{X}YZ$$

$$= XY + \overline{X}Z + XYZ + \overline{X}YZ$$

$$= XY + XYZ + \overline{X}Z + \overline{X}YZ$$

$$= XY(1 + Z) + \overline{X}Z(1 + Y)$$

$$= XY + \overline{X}Z$$

$$(14)$$

$$= XY + \overline{X}Z$$

$$(3)$$



Expression simplification

A *literal* is a complemented or uncomplemented variable in a term Simplify the following expression to contain the smallest number of literals:

$$F = A\overline{B}C + ABC + (C + D)(\overline{D} + E)$$



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$$AB + ACD + \bar{A}BD + AC\bar{D} + \bar{A}BCD$$



Simplify the following expression to use the minimum number of literals

$$\bar{X}\bar{Y} + XYZ + \bar{X}Y$$



Show that

$$\bar{X}\bar{Z} + YZ + X\bar{Y} = \bar{X}Y + XZ + \bar{Y}\bar{Z}$$



Complement of a function

The complement of a function F, \overline{F} , can be obtained in two ways:

By applying DeMorgan's theorem
By taking the dual of the function and complementing each literal

Example: $F = \bar{X}Y\bar{Z} + \bar{X}\bar{Y}Z$



Find the complement of the function below using both DeMorgan's theorem and the dual of the function

$$D = AC + \bar{B}C$$



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$$D = AC + \bar{B}C + \bar{A}(\bar{B} + BC)$$



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$$AB + ACD + \overline{A}BD + AC\overline{D} + \overline{A}BCD$$

$$= AB + \overline{A}BCD + ACD + AC\overline{D} + \overline{A}BD$$

$$= AB + \overline{A}BCD + AC(D + \overline{D}) + \overline{A}BD$$

$$= AB + AC + \overline{A}BD = B(A + \overline{A}D) + AC$$

$$= B(A + D) + AC$$

Only 5 literals!

