

A Boolean Algebra is a set  $\mathbb{B}$  containing constants  $T$  and  $F$  with  $T \neq F$ .

On the set  $\mathbb{B}$ , the following are defined:

1. A binary operation  $(x, y) \rightarrow x \wedge y$  (and).
2. A binary operation  $(x, y) \rightarrow x \vee y$  (or).
3. A unary operation  $x \rightarrow \neg x$  (negation).
4. A relation  $\Rightarrow$ .

These are subject to the following axioms:

### The Distributive Lattice Axioms

#### Idempotence

- (And) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge x = x$ .  
(Or) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \vee x = x$ .

#### Commutativity

- (And) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge y = y \wedge x$ .  
(Or) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \vee y = y \vee x$ .

#### Associativity

- (And) For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $(x \wedge y) \wedge z = x \wedge (y \wedge z)$ .  
(Or) For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $(x \vee y) \vee z = x \vee (y \vee z)$ .

#### Absorption

- (And over Or) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge (x \vee y) = x$ .  
(Or over And) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \vee (x \wedge y) = x$ .

#### Distributivity

- (And over Or) For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$  and  $(y \vee z) \wedge x = (y \wedge x) \vee (z \wedge x)$ .  
(Or over And) For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \vee (y \wedge z) = (x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee z)$  and  $(y \wedge z) \vee x = (y \vee x) \wedge (z \vee x)$ .

### The Boundary Axioms

#### Boundedness

- (Lower Bound) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $F \Rightarrow x$ .  
(Upper Bound) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \Rightarrow T$ .

#### Identity

- (And) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge T = x$  and  $T \wedge x = x$ .  
(Or) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \vee F = x$  and  $F \vee x = x$ .

#### Annihilation

- (And) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge F = F$  and  $F \wedge x = F$ .  
(Or) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \vee T = T$  and  $T \vee x = T$ .

### The Complement Axioms

#### Complementation

- (And) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge (\neg x) = F$  and  $\neg x \wedge x = F$ .  
(Or) For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \vee (\neg x) = T$  and  $\neg x \vee x = T$ .

#### DeMorgan's Laws

- (Nand) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $\neg (x \wedge y) = \neg x \vee \neg y$ .  
(Nor) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $\neg (x \vee y) = \neg x \wedge \neg y$ .

### The Order Axioms

#### Reflexivity

- For all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \Rightarrow x$ .

#### Antisymmetry

- For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ , if  $x \Rightarrow y$  and  $y \Rightarrow x$ , then  $x = y$ .

#### Transitivity

- For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{B}$ , if  $x \Rightarrow y$  and  $y \Rightarrow z$ , then  $x \Rightarrow z$ .

#### Consistency

- (And) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \wedge y \Rightarrow x$  and  $x \wedge y \Rightarrow y$ .  
(Or) For all  $x, y \in \mathbb{B}$ ,  $x \Rightarrow x \vee y$  and  $y \Rightarrow x \vee y$ .

#### Monotonicity

- (And) For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{B}$ , if  $x \Rightarrow y$ , then  $x \wedge z \Rightarrow y \wedge z$ .  
(Or) For all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{B}$ , if  $x \Rightarrow y$ , then  $x \vee z \Rightarrow y \vee z$ .