



DIGITAL ELECTRONICS

CHAPTER THREE: BOOLEAN ALGEBRA & LOGIC GATES (PART II):
*Laws of Boolean Algebra
*Standard Forms of Boolean Functions (SOP and POS)

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Number systems conversions examples:

Example 1: Convert the decimal number 12.625 to its binary equivalent.

	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	.	2^{-1}	2^{-2}	2^{-3}
	16	8	4	2	1	.	0.5	0.25	0.125
12.625	0	1	1	0	0	.	1	0	1

ANS = 1100.101

Example 2: Convert 125.36₈ to binary.

Step 1: Convert the number to decimal first

$$(8^2 \times 1) + (8^1 \times 2) + (8^0 \times 5) + (8^{-1} \times 3) + (8^{-2} \times 6) = 85.46875_{10}$$

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Number systems conversions examples:

Step 2: Convert the obtained decimal number to binary

	2^7	2^6	2^5	2^4	2^3	2^2	2^1	2^0	.	2^{-1}	2^{-2}	2^{-3}	2^{-4}
	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1	.	0.5	0.25	0.125	0.0625
85.46875	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	.	0	1	1	1

$$\text{ANS} = 1010101.0111 \{\text{to 4 d.p}\}$$

Example 3: Convert 746.6875 to hexadecimal.

	16^2	16^1	16^0	.	16^{-1}	16^{-2}
	256	16	1		0.0625	0.00390625
746.6875	2	14	10	.	11	
Hex	2	E	A	.	B	

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The Exclusive-OR gate explained...

- Defined as:

$$x = A \oplus B$$

A	B	x
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

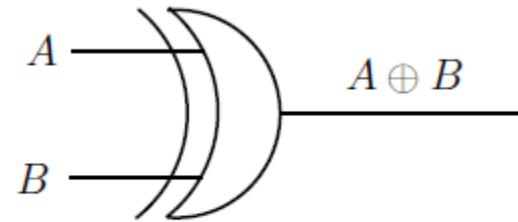


Figure 2.6: An Exclusive-OR gate

- The Exclusive-OR operation is sometimes abbreviated as XOR or EXOR.
- Note that the XOR gate has only two inputs.*

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The internal connection of the **Exclusive OR gate** is as below:

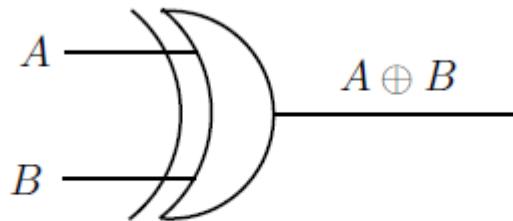
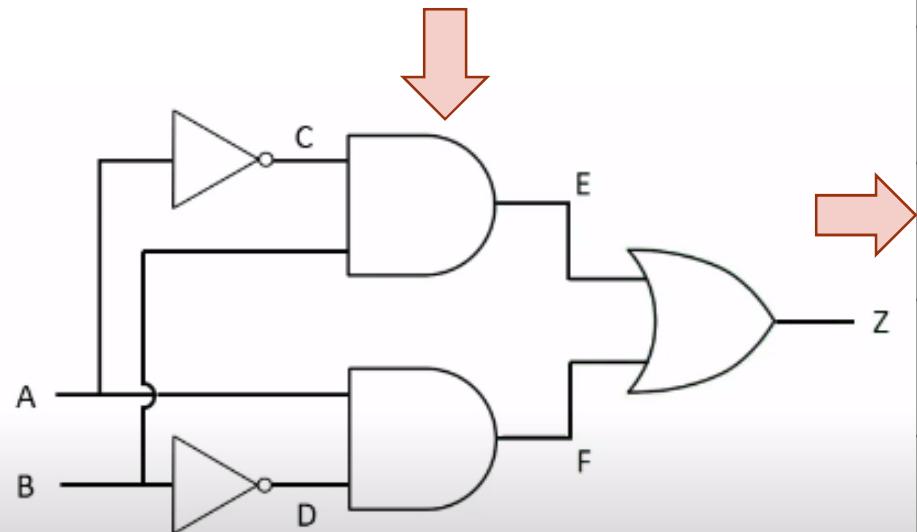


Figure 2.6: An Exclusive-OR gate



Truth Table

A	B	C	D	E (C.B)	F (A.D)	Z (E+F)
0	0	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	0

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The Exclusive-NOR gate explained...

- This is usually abbreviated as XNOR or EXNOR gate. It is the complement of the XOR operation.

$$x = A \odot B = \overline{A \oplus B}$$

A	B	x
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

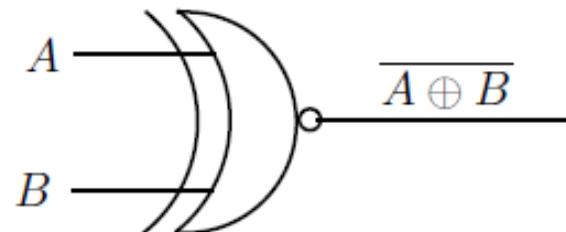


Figure 2.7: An Exclusive-NOR gate

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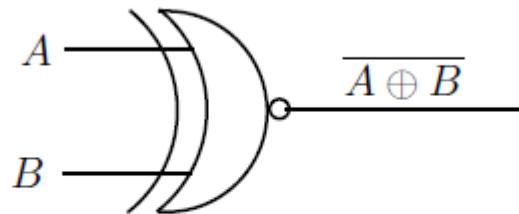
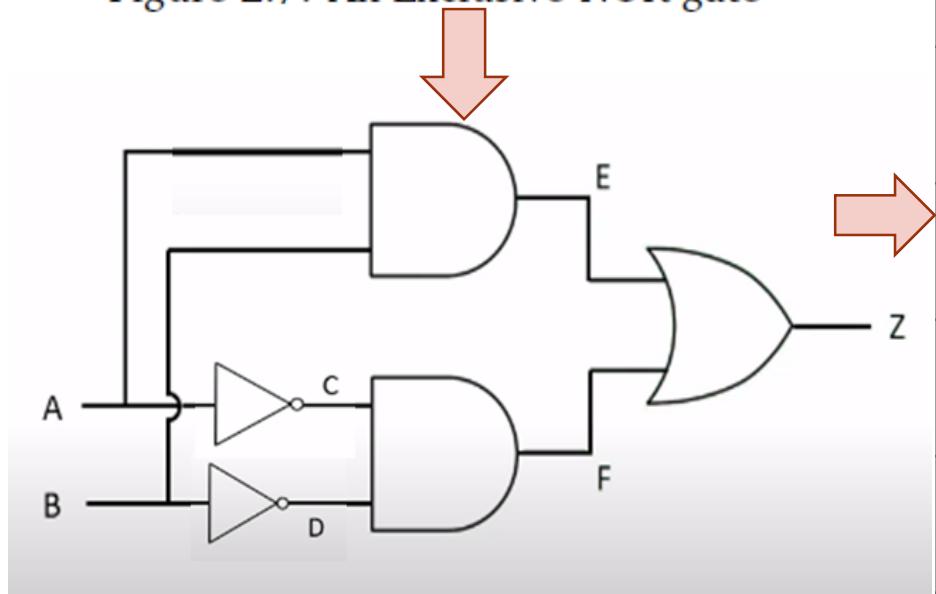


Figure 2.7: An Exclusive-NOR gate



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1	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	1

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2.4 Laws of Boolean Algebra

Basic Theorems

$A + 0 = A$	$A \cdot 1 = A$
$A + 1 = 1$	$A \cdot 0 = 0$
$A + A = A$	$A \cdot A = A$
$A + \bar{A} = 1$	$A \cdot \bar{A} = 0$

- Looking at the above table, we can see that the corresponding laws on either side are related by:
 - i. Interchanging + and . Symbols
 - ii. Interchanging 0 and 1
- Theorems which are related to another by this double interchange are known as duals.

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Other theorems, each listed along with its dual, are tabulated below:

1:	$A + B = B + A$	$A \cdot B = B \cdot A$
2:	$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$	$A \cdot (B \cdot C) = (A \cdot B) \cdot C$
3:	$A + B \cdot C = (A + B) \cdot (A + C)$	$A \cdot (B + C) = A \cdot B + A \cdot C$
4:	$A + A \cdot B = A$	$A \cdot (A + B) = A$
5:	$A + \overline{A} \cdot B = A + B$	$A \cdot (\overline{A} + B) = A \cdot B$
6:	$A \cdot B + A \cdot \overline{B} = A$	$(A + B) \cdot (A + \overline{B}) = A$
7:	$A \cdot B + \overline{A} \cdot C = (A + C) \cdot (\overline{A} + B)$	$(A + B) \cdot (\overline{A} + C) = A \cdot C + \overline{A} \cdot B$
8:	$A \cdot B + \overline{A} \cdot C + B \cdot C = A \cdot B + \overline{A} \cdot C$	$(A + B) \cdot (\overline{A} + C) \cdot (B + C) = (A + B) \cdot (\overline{A} + C)$
9:	$\overline{A + B + C + \dots} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \dots$	$\overline{A \cdot B \cdot C \dots} = \overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C} + \dots$

Law 1 is the commutative law, 2 the associative law, 3 the distributive law, 4 is commonly referred to as the absorption theorem, 5 the simplification theorem, 6 the reduction theorem and 9 are the De Morgan's Theorems.

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2.5 Proving Boolean Theorems

2.5.1 Proof by Truth-Table/Proof by Perfect Induction

Use a truth-table to prove that $AB + \bar{A}C + BC = AB + \bar{A}C$.

A	B	C	AB	$\bar{A}C$	BC	$AB + \bar{A}C + BC$	$AB + \bar{A}C$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1

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2.5.2 Proof by Algebraic means

- This requires a **mastery** of the laws of Boolean algebra so a lot of **practice** is needed to be able to use this technique effectively.
- The Priority of solving Boolean algebra follows the order:
 - ❖ NOT
 - ❖ AND
 - ❖ OR

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Example:

- Use algebraic means to show that $A + A \cdot B = A$

Solution:

Taking the LHS, the term A can be rewritten as $A = A \cdot 1$ hence the equation becomes:

$$\text{LHS} = A \cdot 1 + A \cdot B \quad (\text{i})$$

The term A is common and is factored out giving us:

$$A(1 + B) \quad (\text{ii})$$

But $(1 + B) = 1$ hence equation (ii) becomes:

$$A(1) = A$$

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Example

- Use algebraic means to show that $A + \bar{A}B = A + B$

Solution:

Taking the LHS, rewrite the term $A = A \cdot 1$

$$\text{LHS} = A \cdot 1 + \bar{A}B$$

Introduce a B to replace 1 i.e $1 = (1+B)$

$$\text{LHS} = A(1 + B) + \bar{A}B = A + AB + \bar{A}B$$

Factor out the B:

$$\text{LHS} = A + B(A + \bar{A})$$

$$\text{But } A + \bar{A} = 1.$$

Hence the equation simplifies to:

$$= A + B(1)$$

A + B = RHS hence proved

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Example:

- Minimize $A \cdot B + A\bar{B}$

Solution:

Note the A is common and factor it out:

$$A(B + \bar{B})$$

But $B + \bar{B} = 1$

Hence the equation becomes:

$$A(1) = A$$

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Example:

- Minimize $AB + A\bar{B}C + A\bar{B}\bar{C}$

Solution:

A is common in all three variables. Factor it out:

$$A(B + \bar{B}C + \bar{B}\bar{C})$$

Note that \bar{B} is common in two terms and factor it out:

$$A(B + \bar{B}\{C + \bar{C}\})$$

But $C + \bar{C} = 1$

$$A(B + \bar{B}\{1\}) = A(B + \bar{B})$$

But $B + \bar{B} = 1$

$$=A(1) = A$$

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2.6 Standard Forms for Boolean Functions

- There are two standard forms for Boolean expressions:
Standard **sum of products** form and Standard **product of sums** form.

2.6.1 Standard Sum of Products form

Given a function:

$$f(A, B, C) = (AB + C)(B + AC)$$

we can use the distributive rule (informally known as opening the brackets) to write:

$$f(A, B, C) = ABB + CB + ABAC + CAC$$

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- By use of Boolean rules, we can simplify the above expression to:
 $f(A, B, C) = AB + BC + ABC + AC$
- From the expression above, the terms AB, BC, ABC and AC are products, and they are all **combined with an OR operation** (logical addition or summation). The expression is said to be in Sum of Products form.
- This is a function of variables A, B and C, but **not all the product terms contain all these variables** e.g. the product term AB lacks the variable C, BC lacks the variable A, and AC lacks B.

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- To express the function in **Standard Sum of Product form**, we must add the missing variables to all the product terms so that **every variable appears in each product term** (either in its true form or in its complement form). To do this, we use the Boolean algebra laws:

$$(A + \bar{A}) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad A \cdot 1 = A$$

*Means the function remains the same.

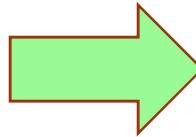
- The expression is now rewritten as:

$$\begin{aligned}f(A, B, C) &= AB(C + \bar{C}) + (A + \bar{A})BC + ABC + AC(B + \bar{B}) \\&= ABC + ABC\bar{C} + ABC + \bar{A}BC + ABC + ABC + A\bar{B}C \\&= ABC + AB\bar{C} + \bar{A}BC + A\bar{B}C\end{aligned}$$

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- This form, in which a sum of products appears, each term involving all variables is called the *Standard Sum of Products Form* or *Canonical Sum of Products form*. Each individual term in the expression is known as a *MINTERM*, e.g. ABC is a minterm.
- Each minterm will have a logical value of 1 only when all the terms have a **LOGICAL VALUE OF 1**.

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A	B	C	minterm
0	0	0	$m_0 = \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}$
0	0	1	$m_1 = \bar{A}\bar{B}C$
0	1	0	$m_2 = \bar{A}BC$
0	1	1	$m_3 = \bar{A}B\bar{C}$
1	0	0	$m_4 = A\bar{B}\bar{C}$
1	0	1	$m_5 = A\bar{B}C$
1	1	0	$m_6 = AB\bar{C}$
1	1	1	$m_7 = ABC$

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- Going back to the function we started off with and using the above table, we can write:

$$f(A, B, C) = m_7 + m_6 + m_3 + m_5$$

- Sometimes the above expression is also written as:

$$f(A, B, C) = \Sigma m(3, 5, 6, 7)$$

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2.6.2 Standard Product of Sums form

- Given a function:

$$f(A, B, C) = (AB + C)(B + AC)$$

- We can use the distributive rule to write:

$$\begin{aligned} f(A, B, C) &= (A + C)(B + C)(B + A)(B + C) \\ &= (A + B)(A + C)(B + C) \end{aligned}$$

- The above expression is said to be in product of sums form.
- To convert this to the Standard product of sums form, we add the missing variables in each term, using the Boolean rules:

$$A \cdot \bar{A} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad (A + 0) = A$$

*Means the function remains the same.

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- We can therefore write:

$$f(A, B, C) = (A + B + C\bar{C})(A + B\bar{B} + C)(A\bar{A} + B + C)$$

- Again using the distributive rule:

$$f(A, B, C) = (A + B + C)(A + B + \bar{C})(A + B + C)(A + \bar{B} + C)(A + B + C)(\bar{A} + B + C)$$

$$f(A, B, C) = (A + B + C)(A + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + B + C)$$

- This is known as the *Standard Product of Sums form* or *Canonical Product of Sums form*. Each of the factors in the expression above is known as a **MAXTERM**, e.g. $(A + B + C)$ is a maxterm.

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- Each maxterm will have a **logical value 0** only when all the terms in it have a logical value 0, e.g. maxterm $(A + \bar{B} + C)$ will have a logical value 0 when $A = 0$, $B = 1$ and $C = 0$.

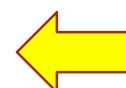
<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>maxterm</i>
0	0	0	$M_0 = A + B + C$
0	0	1	$M_1 = A + B + \bar{C}$
0	1	0	$M_2 = A + \bar{B} + C$
0	1	1	$M_3 = A + \bar{B} + \bar{C}$
1	0	0	$M_4 = \bar{A} + B + C$
1	0	1	$M_5 = \bar{A} + B + \bar{C}$
1	1	0	$M_6 = \bar{A} + \bar{B} + C$
1	1	1	$M_7 = \bar{A} + \bar{B} + \bar{C}$

We can therefore write:

$$f(A, B, C) = M_0 \cdot M_1 \cdot M_2 \cdot M_4$$

Sometimes this is also
written as:

$$f(A, B, C) = \Pi M(0, 1, 2, 4)$$



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