

# Chapter 2 Exercises: Combinational Logic and Boolean Algebra

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**2.2** Write a Boolean equation in sum-of-products canonical form for each of the truth tables in Figure 2.81.

To determine this, look where  $Y = 1$ . Then just put complemented or not A, B, C, or D AND'ED together (Ex: If  $B = 0$ , complement it.). That is, turn the inputs to 1. And OR the results.

(a)  $\overline{A}B = 1$ ,  $A\overline{B} = 1$ ,  $AB = 1$ . Therefore  
 $Y = \overline{A}B + A\overline{B} + AB$

(b)  $Y = \overline{A}\overline{B}C + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}BC + A\overline{B}\overline{C} + ABC$

(c)  $Y = \overline{A}\overline{B}C + A\overline{B}\overline{C} + ABC$

(d)  $Y = \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}\overline{B}C\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + \overline{A}BCD + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + A\overline{B}C\overline{D}$

(e)  $Y = \overline{A}\overline{B}CD + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}BCD + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + A\overline{B}C\overline{D} + A\overline{B}C\overline{D} + A\overline{B}CD$

**2.4** Write a Boolean equation in product-of-sums canonical form for the truth tables in 2.81.

To determine this, look where  $Y = 0$ . Then just put complemented or not A, B, C, or D OR'ED together (Ex: If  $B = 0$ , do not complement it.). That is, turn the inputs to 0. And AND the results.

(a)  $Y = (A + B)$

(b)  $Y = (A + B + C)(\overline{A} + B + \overline{C})(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C})$

(c)  $Y = (A + B + C)(A + \overline{B} + C)(A + \overline{B} + \overline{C})(\overline{A} + B + C)(\overline{A} + B + \overline{C})$

(d)  $Y = (A + B + C + \overline{D})(A + \overline{B} + C + D)(A + \overline{B} + C + \overline{D})(\overline{A} + B + C + \overline{D})(\overline{A} + B + \overline{C} + \overline{D})(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + C + D)(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + C + \overline{D})(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C} + D)(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C} + \overline{D})$

(e)  $Y = (A + B + C + D)(A + B + C + \overline{D})(A + B + \overline{C} + D)(A + \overline{B} + C + D)(A + \overline{B} + C + \overline{D})(\overline{A} + B + C + D)(\overline{A} + B + C + \overline{D})(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + C + D)(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + C + \overline{D})(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C} + D)(\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C} + \overline{D})$

**2.6** Minimize each of the Boolean equations from Exercise 2.2.

(a)  $Y = \overline{A}B + A\overline{B} + AB$   
 $= \overline{A}B + A(\overline{B} + B)$  T5'  
 $= \overline{A}B + A$

Finally, you can remove the  $\overline{A}$ . Due to T1 or T2. See the examples below for justification.

$$= A + B$$

Examples on why  $\overline{A}$  can be eliminated.

$$A = 1, B = 1. \quad 0 \text{ and } 1 \text{ or } 1 = 1 \Leftrightarrow 1 \text{ or } 1 = 1$$

$$A = 0, B = 1. \quad 1 \text{ and } 1 \text{ or } 0 = 1 \Leftrightarrow 1 \text{ or } 0 = 1$$

$$A = 1, B = 0. \quad 0 \text{ and } 0 \text{ or } 1 = 1 \Leftrightarrow 0 \text{ or } 1 = 1$$

$$A = 0, B = 0. \quad 1 \text{ and } 0 \text{ or } 0 = 0 \Leftrightarrow 0 \text{ or } 0 = 0$$

See how they're the same? Since  $\overline{A}$  and B are AND'ed together,  $\overline{A}$  doesn't matter since it has A on the other side of an OR.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad Y &= \overline{A}\overline{B}C + \overline{A}B\overline{C} + \overline{A}BC + A\overline{B}\overline{C} + AB\overline{C} \\ &= \overline{A}(\overline{B}C + B\overline{C} + BC) + \overline{C}(A\overline{B} + AB) \quad \text{T8} \\ &= \overline{A}(C(\overline{B} + B) + B\overline{C}) + A\overline{C} \quad \text{T5, T3} \\ &= \overline{A}(B\overline{C} + C) + A\overline{C} \\ &= \overline{A}(B + C) + A\overline{C} \\ &= \overline{A}B + \overline{A}C + A\overline{C} \end{aligned}$$

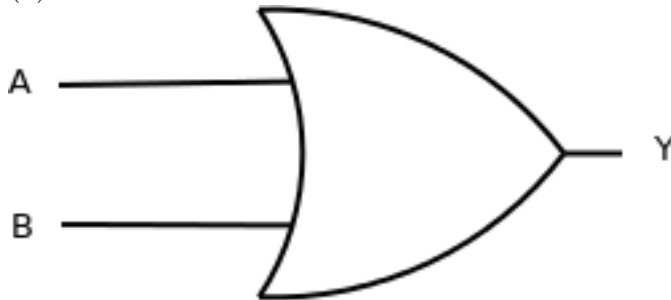
$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} \quad Y &= \overline{A}\overline{B}C + A\overline{B}\overline{C} + ABC \\ &= \overline{A}\overline{B}C + A(B(\overline{C} + C)) \\ &= \overline{A}\overline{B}C + AB \quad \text{T5, T3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d)} \quad Y &= \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}\overline{B}C\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}D + \overline{A}BCD + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + A\overline{B}C\overline{D} \\ &= \\ &= \overline{A}\overline{B}\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}D + \overline{A}BCD + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + A\overline{B}C\overline{D} \end{aligned}$$

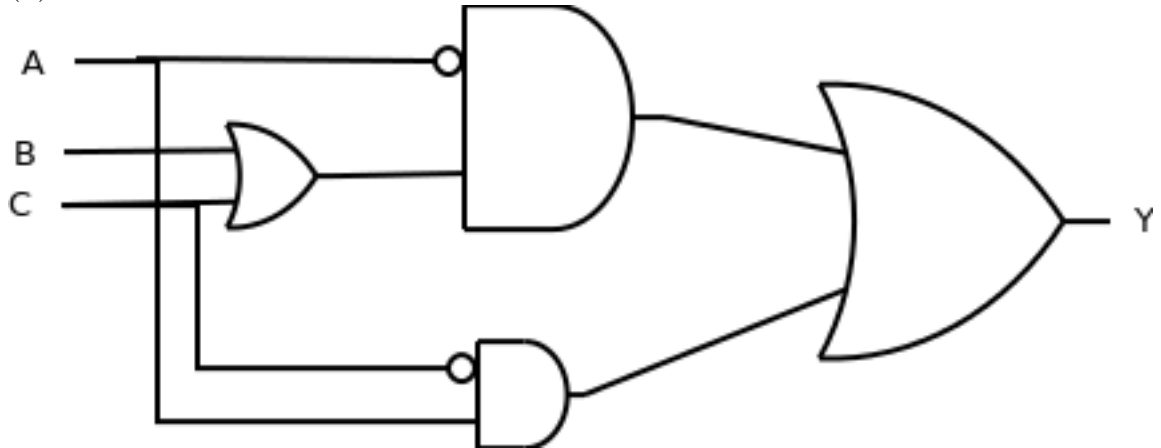
$$\begin{aligned} \text{(e)} \quad Y &= \overline{A}\overline{B}C\overline{D} + \overline{A}B\overline{C}\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + A\overline{B}\overline{C}\overline{D} + A\overline{B}C\overline{D} + A\overline{B}\overline{C}D + A\overline{B}CD \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

**2.8** Sketch a reasonably simple combinational circuit implementing each of the functions from Exercise 2.6.

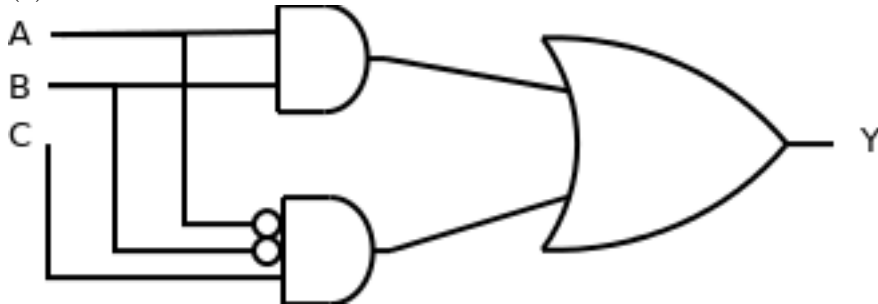
$$\text{(a)} \quad Y = A + B$$



(b)  $Y = \overline{A}B + \overline{A}C + A\overline{C}$



(c)  $Y = \overline{A}\overline{B}C + AB$



(d)

(e)

**2.14** Simplify the following Boolean equations using Boolean theorems. Check for correctness using a truth table or K-map.

(a)  $Y = \overline{A}BC + \overline{A}B\overline{C}$   
 $= \overline{A}B(C + \overline{C})$   
 $= \overline{A}B$

A	B	C	$\overline{A}BC + \overline{A}B\overline{C}$	$\overline{A}B$
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(b) } Y &= \overline{ABC} + A\overline{B} \\
 &= \overline{B}(\overline{AC} + A) \\
 &= \overline{B}(A + \overline{C}) \\
 &= A\overline{B} + \overline{B}\overline{C}
 \end{aligned}$$

A	B	C	$\overline{ABC} + A\overline{B}$	$A\overline{B} + \overline{B}\overline{C}$
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1	1

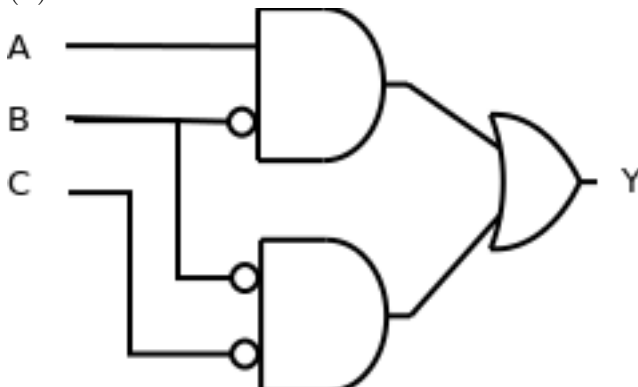
$$\text{(c) } Y = ABC\overline{D} + \overline{A}BC\overline{D} + \overline{(A + B + C + D)}$$

**2.16** Sketch a reasonably simple combinational circuit implementing each of the functions from Exercise 2.14.

$$\text{(a) } Y = \overline{AB}$$



$$\text{(b) } Y = A\overline{B} + \overline{B}\overline{C}$$



**2.22** Prove that the following theorems are true using perfect induction. You need not prove their duals.

For these, build a truth table. Show every option. And so long as the theorem matches with what it claims, it is proved.

(a) The idempotency theorem (T3),  $B \bullet B = B$   
See how 'B' matches ' $B \bullet B$ '?

$B$	$B \bullet B$
0	0
1	1

(b) The distributivity theorem (T8),  $(B \bullet C) + (B \bullet D) = B \bullet (C + D)$

B	C	D	$(B \bullet C) + (B \bullet D)$	$B \bullet (C + D)$
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0

(c) The combining theorem (T10),  $(B \bullet C) + (B \bullet \overline{C}) = B$

B	C	$(B \bullet C) + (B \bullet \overline{C})$	B
1	1	1	1
1	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0