

### 3.2 Boolean Algebra 01.09.23

- Boolean algebra is a mathematical system for manipulating variables that can have one of two values.
  - In formal logic, these values are "true" and "false"
  - In digital systems, these values are "on"/"off," "high"/"low," or "1"/"0".
  - So, it is perfect for binary number systems
- Boolean expressions are created to operate Boolean variables.
  - Common Boolean operators include AND, OR, and NOT.

### Boolean Algebra

- The function of Boolean operator can be completely described using a Truth Table.
- The truth tables of the Boolean operators AND and OR are shown on the right.
- The AND operator is also known as the Boolean product ".". The OR operator is the Boolean sum "+".

X AND Y

X	Y	XY
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

X OR Y

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

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Lab: 1. W.A.P. to implement AND, OR, - operator for ① two i/p ② three i/p  
 2. W.A.P. to implement the : ①  $f(x,y,z) = x\bar{z} + y$  ②  $f(x,y,z) = (x+y)(x+z)(\bar{x}\bar{z})$   
 3. W.A.P. ———— ①  $f(x,y,z) = \sum m(0,2,5,7)$ ;  $\sum m(1,3,5)$   
 ②  $f(x,y,z) = \prod M(1,3,4,6)$ ,  $\prod M(2,5,6,7)$

## Boolean NOT

- The truth table of the Boolean NOT operator is shown on the right.
- The NOT operation is most often designated by an overbar “ $\bar{\phantom{x}}$ ”.
- Some books use the prime mark (  $'$  ) or the “elbow” (  $\neg$  ), for instead.

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NOT X	
x	$\bar{x}$
0	1
1	0

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## Boolean Function

- A Boolean function has:
  - At least one Boolean variable,
  - At least one Boolean operator, and
  - At least one input from the set of  $\{0,1\}$ .
- It produces an output that is a member of the set  $\{0,1\}$  – Either 0 or 1.

Now you know why the binary numbering system is so handy for digital systems.

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## Boolean Algebra

- Let's look at a truth table for the following Boolean function shown on the right. :

$$F(x, y, z) = x\bar{z} + y$$

- To evaluate the Boolean function easier, the truth table contains a extra columns (shaded) to hold the evaluations of partial function.

$F(x, y, z) = x\bar{z} + y$

x	y	z	$\bar{z}$	$x\bar{z}$	$x\bar{z} + y$
0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	1

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## Rules Of Precedence

- Arithmetic has its rules of precedence

- Like arithmetic, Boolean operations follow the rules of precedence (priority):
- NOT operator > AND operator > OR operator.

- This explains why we chose the shaded partial function in that order in the table.

$F(x, y, z) = x\bar{z} + y$

x	y	z	$\bar{z}$	$x\bar{z}$	$x\bar{z} + y$
0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	1

Rules Of Precedence

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## Use Boolean Algebra in Circuit Design

- Digital circuit designer always like achieve the following goals:
  - **Cheaper** to produce
  - Consume **less power**
  - run **faster**
- How to do it? -- We know that:
  - Computers contain circuits that implement Boolean functions → Boolean functions can express circuits
  - If we can simplify a Boolean function, that express a circuit, we can archive the above goals
- We always can reduce a Boolean function to its simplest form by using a number of Boolean laws can help us do so.

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## Boolean Algebra Laws

- Most Boolean algebra laws have either an **AND (product)** form or an **OR (sum)** form. We give the laws with both forms.
- Since the laws are always true, so X (and Y) could be either 0 or 1

Identity Name	AND Form	OR Form
Identity Law	$1x = x$	$0 + x = x$
Null Law	$0x = 0$	$1 + x = 1$
Idempotent Law	$xx = x$	$x + x = x$
Inverse Law	$x\bar{x} = 0$	$x + \bar{x} = 1$

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## Boolean Algebra Laws ('Cont)

- The second group of Boolean laws should be familiar to you from your study of algebra:

Identity Name	AND Form	OR Form
Commutative Law	$xy = yx$	$x+y = y+x$
Associative Law	$(xy)z = x(yz)$	$(x+y)+z = x+(y+z)$
Distributive Law	$x+yz = (x+y)(x+z)$	$x(y+z) = xy+xz$

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## Boolean Algebra Laws ('Cont)

- The last group of Boolean laws are perhaps the most useful.
- If you have studied set theory or formal logic, these laws should be familiar to you.

Identity Name	AND Form	OR Form
Absorption Law	$x(x+y) = x$	$x + xy = x$
DeMorgan's Law	$\overline{(xy)} = \bar{x} + \bar{y}$	$\overline{(x+y)} = \bar{x}\bar{y}$
Double Complement Law	$\overline{(\bar{x})} = x$	

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## DeMorgan's law

- DeMorgan's law provides an easy way of finding the negation (complement) of a Boolean function.

- DeMorgan's law states:

$$\overline{(xy)} = \bar{x} + \bar{y} \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{(x+y)} = \bar{x}\bar{y}$$



- Example

- I **will** come to school tomorrow if

- (A) my car is working, and
- (B) it won't be snowing

- = ■ I **won't** come to school tomorrow if

- (A) my car **is not** working, or
- (B) it **will** snowing

More Examples?



## DeMorgan's Law

- DeMorgan's law can be extended to any number of variables.

- Replace each variable by its negation (complement)
- Change all ANDs to ORs and all ORs to ANDs.

- Let's say  $F(X, Y, Z)$  is the following, what is  $\bar{F}$ ?

$$F(X, Y, Z) = (XY) + (\bar{X}Y) + (X\bar{Z})$$



## Simplify Boolean function

□ Let's use Boolean laws to simplify:

as follows:  $F(X, Y, Z) = (X+Y) (X+\bar{Y}) (\bar{X}\bar{Z})$

$(X+Y) (X+\bar{Y}) (\bar{X}\bar{Z})$	
$(X+Y) (X+\bar{Y}) (\bar{X} + \bar{Z})$	DeMorgan's Law
$(XX + X\bar{Y} + YX + Y\bar{Y}) (\bar{X} + \bar{Z})$	Double complement Law
$(X + Y\bar{Y} + X(Y + \bar{Y})) (\bar{X} + \bar{Z})$	Distributive Law
$(X + 0 + X(1)) (\bar{X} + \bar{Z})$	Commutative and Distributive Laws
$X(\bar{X} + \bar{Z})$	Inverse Law
$X\bar{X} + X\bar{Z}$	Idempotent and Identity Laws
$0 + X\bar{Z}$	Distributive Law
$X\bar{Z}$	Inverse Law
	Identity Law