

# Lecture (04) Boolean Algebra and Logic Gates

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## Boolean algebra properties

basic assumptions and properties:

- *Closure law*
    - A set  $S$  is closed with respect to a binary operator, for every pair of elements of  $S$ ,
    - the binary operator specifies a rule for obtaining a unique element of  $S$ .
- $a, b \in N$ , there is a unique  $c \in N$  such that  $a + b = c$ .

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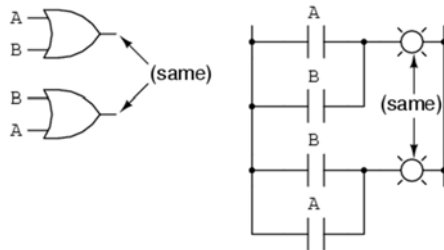
- *Commutative law.*

– A binary operator  $*$  on a set  $S$  is said to be commutative whenever

$$x * y = y * x \text{ for all } x, y \in S$$

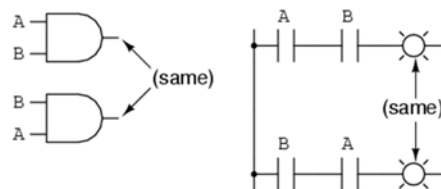
Commutative property of addition

$$A + B = B + A$$



Commutative property of multiplication

$$AB = BA$$



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- *Associative law.*

– A binary operator  $*$  on a set  $S$  is said to be associative whenever

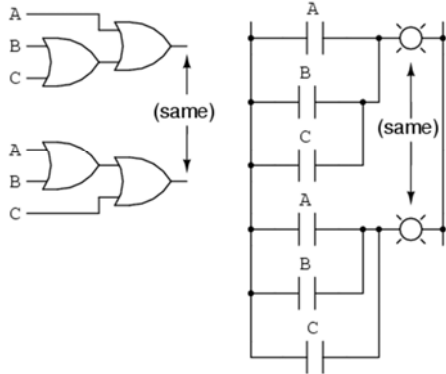
$$(x * y) * z = x * (y * z) \text{ for all } x, y, z, \in S$$

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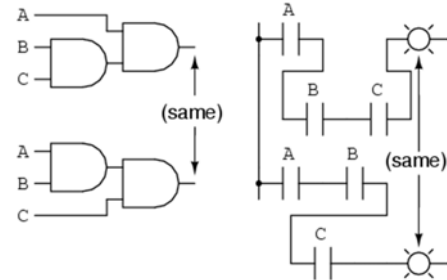
- Associative property of addition

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$$



- Associative property of multiplication

$$A(BC) = (AB)C$$



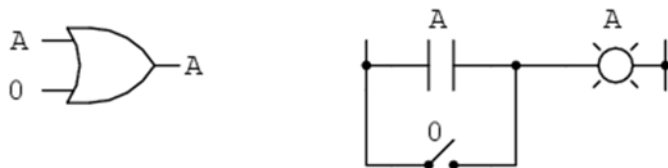
- Identity element.

- A set  $S$  is said to have an identity element with respect to a binary operation  $*$  on  $S$
- if there exists an element  $e \in S$  with the property that

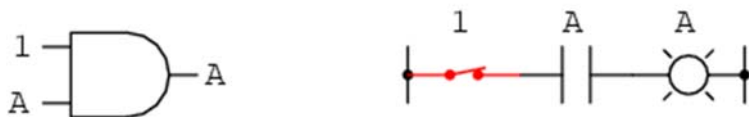
$$e * x = x * e = x \text{ for every } x \in S$$

- Example: The element 0 is an identity element with respect to the binary operator  $+$  on the set of integers  $I = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ , since
- $x + 0 = 0 + x = x$  for any  $x \in I$
- Example: The element 1 is an identity element with respect to the binary operator  $.$  on the set of integers  $I = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ , since
- $x . 1 = 1 . x = x$  for any  $x \in I$

- $A + 0 = A$



$$1A = A$$



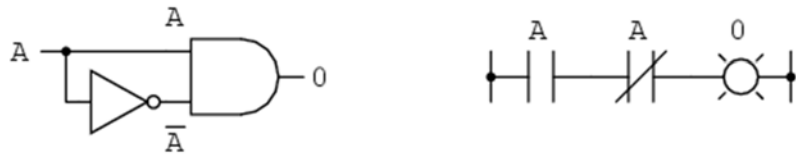
- Inverse.

- A set  $S$  having the identity element  $e$  with respect to a binary operator  $*$  is said to have an inverse whenever, for every  $x \in S$ , there exists an element  $y \in S$  such that

$$x * y = e$$

- Example: In the set of integers,  $I$ , and the operator  $+$ , with  $e = 0$ , the inverse of an element  $a$  is  $(-a)$ , since  $a + (-a) = 0$ .

$$A\bar{A} = 0$$



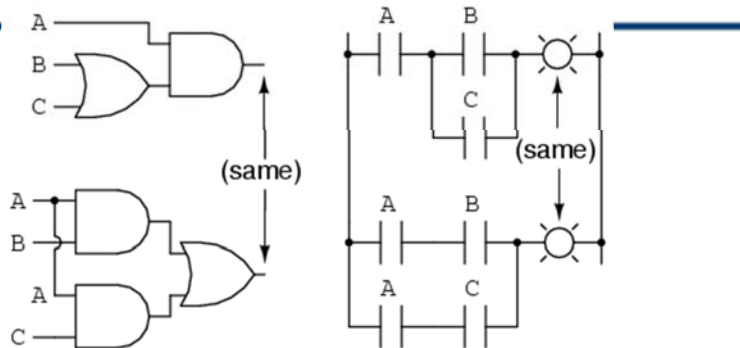
• *Distributive law*

- If \* and . are two binary operators on a set S, \* is said to be distributive over . Whenever

$$x*(y.z) = (x*y).(x*z)$$

**Distributive property**

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



*Basic Boolean algebraic properties*

**Additive**

$$A + B = B + A$$

$$A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$$

**Multiplicative**

$$AB = BA$$

$$A(BC) = (AB)C$$

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

**Summary**

- The binary operator + defines addition (OR).
- The additive identity is 0.
- The additive inverse defines subtraction.
- The binary operator . defines multiplication (AND).
- The multiplicative identity is 1.
- For  $a \neq 0$ , the multiplicative inverse of  $a = 1/a$  defines division (i.e.,  $a \cdot 1/a = 1$ ).
- The only distributive law applicable is that of . over +:

$$a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$$

# Ordinary and Boolean Algebra

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- George Boole developed an algebraic system now called *Boolean algebra*.
- Claude E. Shannon introduced a two-valued Boolean algebra called *switching algebra* that represented the properties of bistable electrical switching circuits.

1. (a) The structure is closed with respect to the operator  $+$ .  
(b) The structure is closed with respect to the operator  $\cdot$ .
2. (a) The element 0 is an identity element with respect to  $+$ ; that is,  $x + 0 = 0 + x = x$ .  
(b) The element 1 is an identity element with respect to  $\cdot$ ; that is,  $x \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot x = x$ .
3. (a) The structure is commutative with respect to  $+$ ; that is,  $x + y = y + x$ .  
(b) The structure is commutative with respect to  $\cdot$ ; that is,  $x \cdot y = y \cdot x$ .

4. (a) The operator  $\cdot$  is distributive over  $+$ ; that is,  $x \cdot (y + z) = (x \cdot y) + (x \cdot z)$ .  
(b) The operator  $+$  is distributive over  $\cdot$ ; that is,  $x + (y \cdot z) = (x + y) \cdot (x + z)$ .
5. For every element  $x \in B$ , there exists an element  $x \in B$  (called the *complement* of  $x$ ) such that
  - (a)  $x + x = 1$  and
  - (b)  $x \cdot x = 0$ ,
6. There exist at least two elements  $x, y \in B$  such that  $x \neq y$ .

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Comparing Boolean algebra with arithmetic and ordinary algebra:

- The distributive law of  $+$  over  $\cdot$  (i.e.,  $x + (y \cdot z) = (x + y) \cdot (x + z)$ ) is valid for Boolean algebra, but not for ordinary algebra.
- Boolean algebra does not have additive or multiplicative inverses; therefore, there are no subtraction or division operations.
- defines an operator called the *complement* that is not available in ordinary algebra.

## Two-Valued Boolean Algebra

- Ordinary algebra deals with the real numbers, which constitute an infinite set of elements. Boolean algebra deals with the as yet undefined set of elements,  $B$ , but in the two-valued Boolean algebra defined next (and of interest in our subsequent use of that algebra),  $B$  is defined as a set with only two elements, 0 and 1.

- defined on a set of two elements,  $B = \{0, 1\}$ , with rules for the two binary operators  $+$  and  $\cdot$ .

$x$	$y$	$x \cdot y$	$x$	$y$	$x + y$	$x$	$x'$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	1		
1	1	1	1	1	1		

Truth table

- rules are exactly the same as the AND, OR, and NOT operations

- the structure is *closed* with respect to the two operators, each operation is either 1 or 0 and  $1, 0 \in B$ .

- From the tables, we see that

(a)  $0 + 0 = 0$   $0 + 1 = 1 + 0 = 1$ ;

(b)  $1 \cdot 1 = 1$   $1 \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot 1 = 0$ .

This establishes the two *identity elements*, 0 for  $+$  and 1 for  $\cdot$ ,

- The *commutative* laws are obvious from the symmetry of the binary operator table ( $A+B = B+A$ ) & ( $A \cdot B = B \cdot A$ )

- The *distributive* law  $x \cdot (y + z) = (x \cdot y) + (x \cdot z)$  can be shown to hold from the operator tables

- The *distributive* law of  $+$  over  $\cdot$  can be shown to hold by means of a truth table

$x$	$y$	$z$	$y + z$	$x \cdot (y + z)$	$x \cdot y$	$x \cdot z$	$(x \cdot y) + (x \cdot z)$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Truth table

# Postulates and Basic theorem of Boolean algebra

## Postulates and Theorems of Boolean Algebra

### Postulates and Theorems of Boolean Algebra

Postulate 2	(a) $x + 0 = x$	(b) $x \cdot 1 = x$
Postulate 5	(a) $x + x' = 1$	(b) $x \cdot x' = 0$
Theorem 1	(a) $x + x = x$	(b) $x \cdot x = x$
Theorem 2	(a) $x + 1 = 1$	(b) $x \cdot 0 = 0$
Theorem 3, involution	$(x')' = x$	
Postulate 3, commutative	(a) $x + y = y + x$	(b) $xy = yx$
Theorem 4, associative	(a) $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$	(b) $x(yz) = (xy)z$
Postulate 4, distributive	(a) $x(y + z) = xy + xz$	(b) $x + yz = (x + y)(x + z)$
Theorem 5, DeMorgan	(a) $(x + y)' = x'y'$	(b) $(xy)' = x' + y'$
Theorem 6, absorption	(a) $x + xy = x$	(b) $x(x + y) = x$

- the complement table
  - (a)  $x + x = 1$ , since  $0 + 0 = 0 + 1 = 1$  and  $1 + 1 = 1 + 0 = 1$ .
  - (b)  $x \cdot x = 0$ , since  $0 \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot 1 = 0$  and  $1 \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot 0 = 0$ .

## Duality principle

- postulates were listed in pairs and designated by part (a) and part (b).
- One part may be obtained from the other if the binary operators and the identity elements are interchanged
- we simply interchange OR and AND operators and replace 1's by 0's and 0's by 1's.

Postulate 2	(a) $x + 0 = x$	(b) $x \cdot 1 = x$
Postulate 5	(a) $x + x' = 1$	(b) $x \cdot x' = 0$
Theorem 2	(a) $x + 1 = 1$	(b) $x \cdot 0 = 0$

## Theorem 5.a

the truth table for the first DeMorgan's theorem,  $(x + y)' = x'y'$ , is as follows:

x	y	x + y	(x + y)'	x'	y'	x'y'
0	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0	0	0

Truth table

**THEOREM 6(b):**  $x(x + y) = x$

$x$	$y$	$xy$	$x + xy$
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0
1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1

Truth table

• **Operator Precedence**

- (1) parentheses,
  - (2) NOT,
  - (3) AND, and
  - (4) OR.
- expressions inside parentheses must be evaluated before all other operations. The next operation that holds precedence is the complement, and then follows the AND and, finally, the OR.
- example: demorgan's

$$(x + y)' = x'y'$$

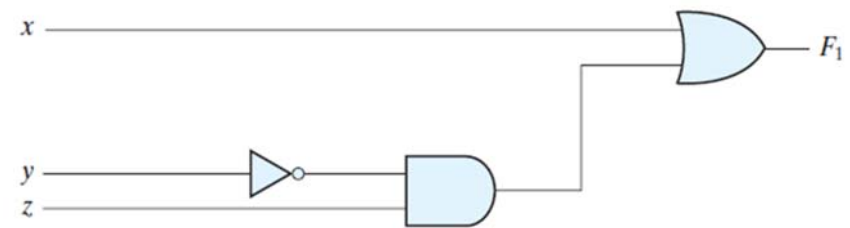
## Boolean functions

- Boolean function described by an algebraic expression consists of binary variables

$$F_1 = x + y'z$$

- A Boolean function can be represented in a truth table. The number of rows in the truth table is  $2^n$ , where  $n$  is the number of variables in the function.
- The interconnection of gates will dictate the logic expression.

$$F_1 = x + y'z$$



Logic diagram

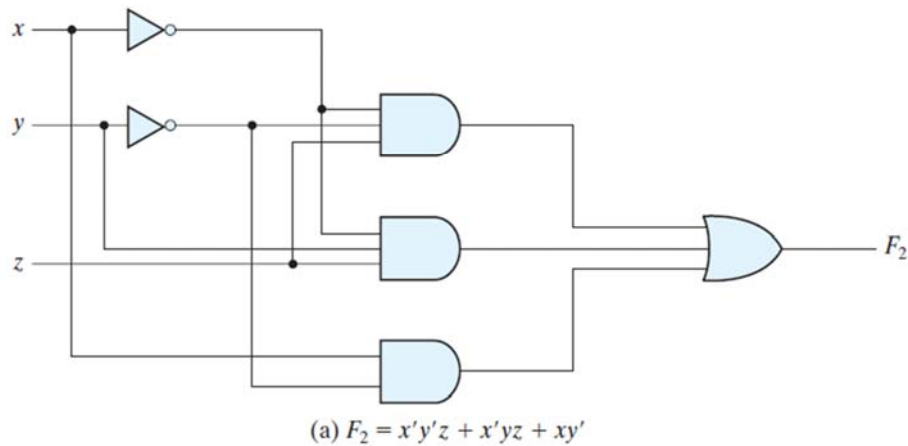
$$F_1 = x + y'z$$

x	y	z	y'	y'z	x	F1
0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	0
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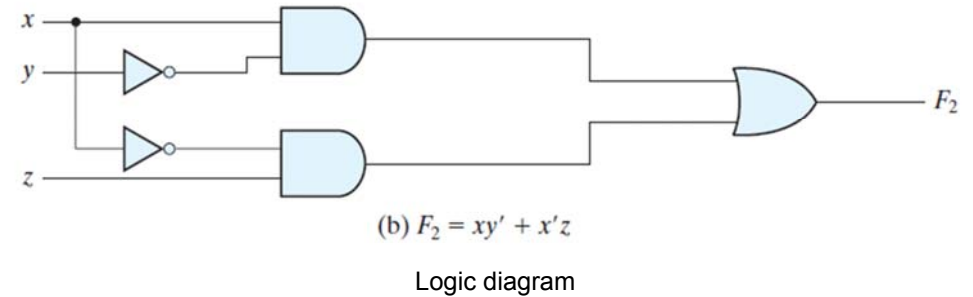
- it is sometimes possible to obtain a simpler expression for the same function and thus reduce the number of gates in the circuit and the number of inputs to the gate.

$$F_2 = x'y'z + x'yz + xy'$$

$$F_2 = x'y'z + x'yz + xy' = x'z(y' + y) + xy' = x'z + xy'$$



Logic diagram





$$F_2 = xy' + x'z$$

x	y	z	X	Y'	Xy'	X'	z	X'z	f2
0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0

Truth table

### Algebraic Manipulation

- When a Boolean expression is implemented with logic gates, each term requires a gate and each variable within the term designates an input to the gate.
- We define a *literal* to be a single variable within a term, in complemented or un-complemented form.
- By reducing the number of terms, the number of literals, or both in a Boolean expression, it is often possible to obtain a simpler circuit

## Example 01

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 x + 0 = x & x \cdot 1 = x \\
 x + x' = 1 & x \cdot x' = 0 \\
 x + x = x & x \cdot x = x \\
 x + 1 = 1 & x \cdot 0 = 0 \\
 (x')' = x &
 \end{array}$$

1.  $x(x' + y)$
2.  $x + x'y$
3.  $(x + y)(x + y')$
4.  $xy + x'z + yz$
5.  $(x + y)(x' + z)(y + z)$

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 x + x = x & x \cdot x = x \\
 x + 1 = 1 & x \cdot 0 = 0 \\
 (x')' = x &
 \end{array}$$

1.  $x(x' + y) = xx' + xy = 0 + xy = xy.$
2.  $x + x'y = (x + x')(x + y) = 1(x + y) = x + y.$
3.  $(x + y)(x + y') = x + xy + xy' + yy' = x(1 + y + y') = x.$
4.  $xy + x'z + yz = xy + x'z + yz(x + x')$   
 $= xy + x'z + xyz + x'yz$   
 $= xy(1 + z) + x'z(1 + y)$   
 $= xy + x'z.$
5.  $(x + y)(x' + z)(y + z) = (x + y)(x' + z),$  by duality from function 4.

## Complement of a Function

- The complement of a function may be derived algebraically through DeMorgan's theorems

$$(x + y)' = x'y' \qquad (xy)' = x' + y'$$

- DeMorgan's theorems can be extended to three or more variables.

$$\begin{aligned} (A + B + C)' &= (A + x)' && \text{let } B + C = x \\ &= A'x' && \text{by theorem 5(a) (DeMorgan)} \\ &= A'(B + C)' && \text{substitute } B + C = x \\ &= A'(B'C') && \text{by theorem 5(a) (DeMorgan)} \\ &= A'B'C' && \text{by theorem 4(b) (associative)} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (A + B + C + D + \dots + F)' &= A'B'C'D' \dots F' \\ (ABCD \dots F)' &= A' + B' + C' + D' + \dots + F' \end{aligned}$$

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## Example 02

Find the complement of the functions  $F_1 = x'yz' + x'y'z$  and  $F_2 = x(y'z' + yz)$ .

$$\begin{array}{ll} x + 0 = x & x \cdot 1 = x \\ x + x' = 1 & x \cdot x' = 0 \\ x + x = x & x \cdot x = x \\ x + 1 = 1 & x \cdot 0 = 0 \\ (x')' = x & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_1' &= (x'yz' + x'y'z)' = (x'yz')'(x'y'z)' = (x + y' + z)(x + y + z') \\ F_2' &= [x(y'z' + yz)]' = x' + (y'z' + yz)' = x' + (y'z')'(yz)' \\ &= x' + (y + z)(y' + z') \\ &= x' + yz' + y'z \end{aligned}$$

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## Example 03

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Find the complement of the functions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  of Example 2. by taking their duals and complementing each literal.

$$F_1 = x'yz' + x'y'z \text{ and } F_2 = x(y'z' + yz).$$

1.  $F_1 = x'yz' + x'y'z.$

The dual of  $F_1$  is  $(x' + y + z')(x' + y' + z).$

Complement each literal:  $(x + y' + z)(x + y + z') = F_1'.$

2.  $F_2 = x(y'z' + yz).$

The dual of  $F_2$  is  $x + (y' + z')(y + z).$

Complement each literal:  $x' + (y + z)(y' + z') = F_2'.$

