

Administrative Notes

- Note: New homework instructions starting with HW03
- Homework is due at the beginning of class
- Homework must be organized, legible (messy is not), and stapled to be graded

Some Definitions

- Complement: variable with a bar over it
 $\bar{A}, \bar{B}, \bar{C}$
- Literal: variable or its complement
 $A, \bar{A}, B, \bar{B}, C, \bar{C}$
- Implicant: product of literals
 $ABC, \bar{A}C, BC$
- Minterm: product that includes all input variables
 $ABC, \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}, ABC$
- Maxterm: sum that includes all input variables
 $(A+\bar{B}+C), (\bar{A}+B+\bar{C}), (\bar{A}+\bar{B}+C)$

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$$Y = F(A, B) = \bar{A}B + AB = \Sigma(m_1, m_3)$$

SOP Example

- Steps:
- Find minterms that result in $Y=1$
- Sum “TRUE” minterms

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Aside: Precedence

- AND has precedence over OR
- In other words:
 - AND is performed **before** OR
- Example:
 - $Y = \bar{A} \cdot B + A \cdot B$
 - Equivalent to:
 - $Y = (\bar{A}B) + (AB)$

Canonical Product-of-Sums (POS) Form

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$$Y = M_0 \cdot M_2 = (A + B) \cdot (\overline{A} + B)$$

SOP and POS Comparison

- Sum of Products (SOP)
 - Implement the “ones” of the output
 - Sum all “one” terms \rightarrow OR results in “one”
- Product of Sums (POS)
 - Implement the “zeros” of the output
 - Multiply “zero” terms \rightarrow AND results in “zero”

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| 1 | 1 | | O | C |

- POS – product-of-sums

| O | C | E | maxterm | | |
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| 0 | 0 | | O | + | C |
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$$E = (O + C)(O + \overline{C})(\overline{O} + \overline{C})$$

$$= \Pi(M_0, M_1, M_3)$$



Boolean Algebra

- Axioms and theorems to **simplify** Boolean equations
- Like regular algebra, but simpler: variables have only two values (1 or 0)
- **Duality** in axioms and theorems:
 - ANDs and ORs, 0's and 1's interchanged

Boolean Axioms

Axiom

$$A1 \quad B = 0 \text{ if } B \neq 1$$

$$A2 \quad \bar{0} = 1$$

$$A3 \quad 0 \bullet 0 = 0$$

$$A4 \quad 1 \bullet 1 = 1$$

$$A5 \quad 0 \bullet 1 = 1 \bullet 0 = 0$$

Duality

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Dual: Exchange: \bullet and $+$
 0 and 1

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| A2 | $\bar{0} = 1$ | A2' | $\bar{1} = 0$ | | NOT |
| A3 | $0 \bullet 0 = 0$ | A3' | $1 + 1 = 1$ | | AND/OR |
| A4 | $1 \bullet 1 = 1$ | A4' | $0 + 0 = 0$ | | AND/OR |
| A5 | $0 \bullet 1 = 1 \bullet 0 = 0$ | A5' | $1 + 0 = 0 + 1 = 1$ | | AND/OR |

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Basic Boolean Theorems

| Theorem | |
|---------|-------------------------------|
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| T3 | $B \bullet B = B$ |
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| T5 | $B \bullet \overline{B} = 0$ |

Basic Boolean Theorems: Duals

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| T2 | $B \bullet 0 = 0$ | T2' | $B + 1 = 1$ | Null Element |
| T3 | $B \bullet B = B$ | T3' | $B + B = B$ | Idempotency |
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| T5 | $B \bullet \overline{B} = 0$ | T5' | $B + \overline{B} = 1$ | Complements |

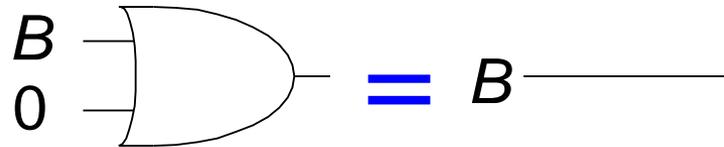
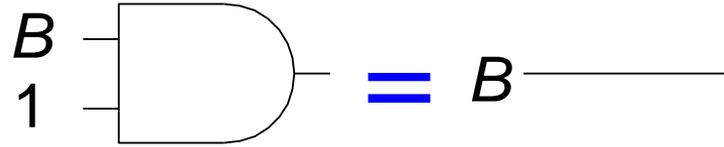
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T1: Identity Theorem

- $B \cdot 1 = B$
- $B + 0 = B$

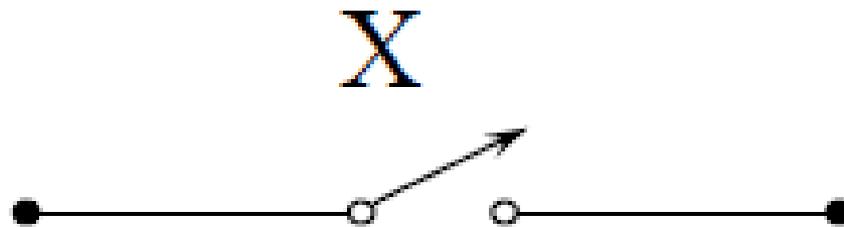
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Switching Algebra

- Simplification of digital logic \rightarrow connecting wires with a on/off switch
- $X = 0$ (switch open)
- $X = 1$ (switch closed)



Series Switching Network: AND

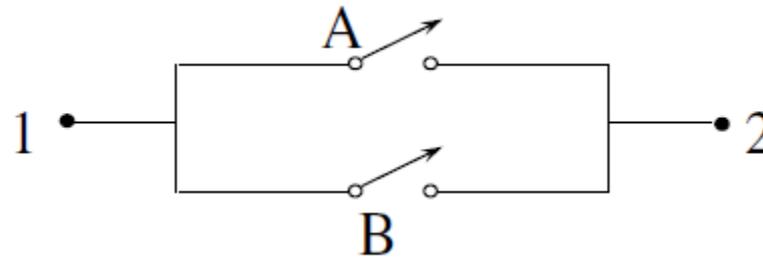
- Switching circuit in series performs AND



- 1 is connected to 2 iff A **AND** B are 1

Parallel Switching Network: OR

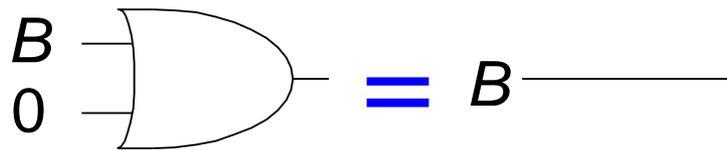
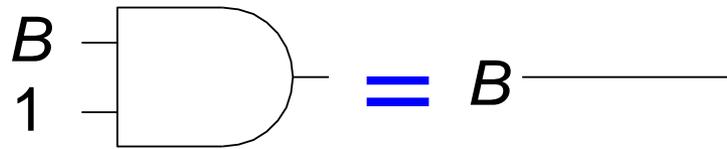
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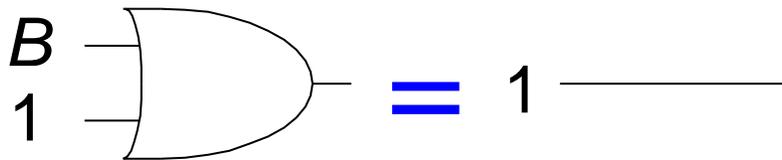
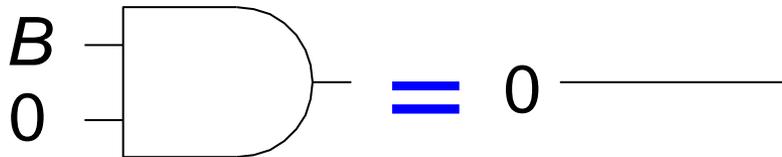


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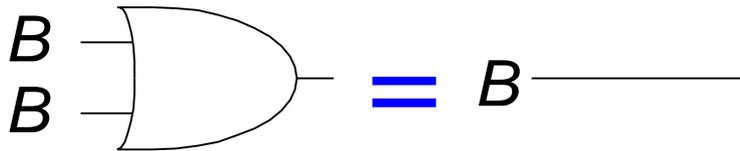
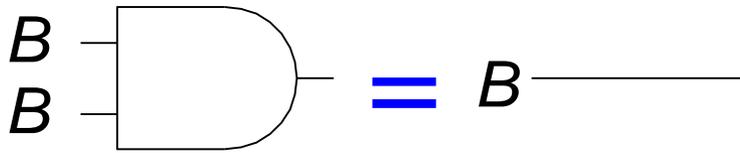


T3: Idempotency Theorem

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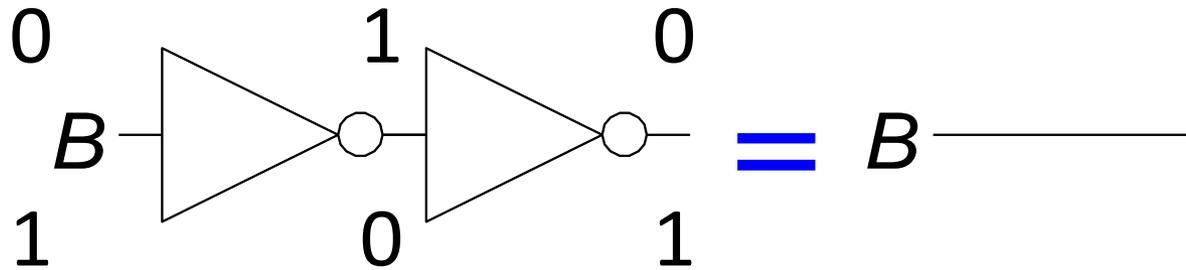


T4: Involution Theorem

- $\overline{\overline{B}} = B$

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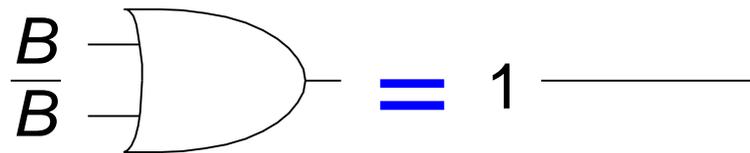
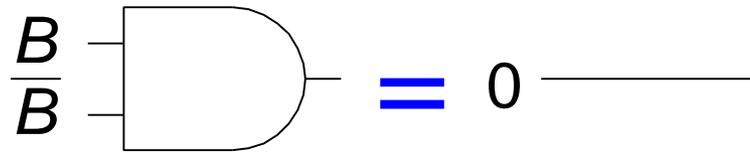


T5: Complements Theorem

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| T8 | $B \bullet (C + D) = (B \bullet C) + (B \bullet D)$ | Distributivity |
| T9 | $B \bullet (B + C) = B$ | Covering |
| T10 | $(B \bullet C) + (B \bullet \bar{C}) = B$ | Combining |
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How do we prove these are true?

How to Prove Boolean Relation

- **Method 1:** Perfect induction
- **Method 2:** Use other theorems and axioms to simplify the equation
 - Make one side of the equation look like the other

Proof by Perfect Induction

- Also called: proof by exhaustion
- Check every possible input value
- If two expressions produce the same value for every possible input combination, the expressions are equal

Example: Proof by Perfect Induction

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T7: Associativity

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T8: Distributivity

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Prove true by:

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Method 1: Perfect Induction

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Method 2: Prove true using other axioms and theorems.

$$\begin{aligned}
 B \cdot (B+C) &= B \cdot B + B \cdot C && \text{T8: Distributivity} \\
 &= \mathbf{B} + B \cdot C && \text{T3: Idempotency} \\
 &= B \cdot (1 + C) && \text{T8: Distributivity} \\
 &= B \cdot (\mathbf{1}) && \text{T2: Null element} \\
 &= B && \text{T1: Identity}
 \end{aligned}$$

T10: Combining

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Prove true using other axioms and theorems:

$$\begin{aligned}
 B \bullet C + B \bullet \bar{C} &= B \bullet (C + \bar{C}) && \text{T8: Distributivity} \\
 &= B \bullet (1) && \text{T5': Complements} \\
 &= B && \text{T1: Identity}
 \end{aligned}$$

T11: Consensus

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Prove true using (1) perfect induction or (2) other axioms and theorems.

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Dual: Replace: \bullet with $+$
 0 with 1

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Dual: Replace: \bullet with $+$
 0 with 1

Warning: T8' differs from traditional algebra: OR ($+$) distributes over AND (\bullet)



Boolean Thms of Several Vars: Duals

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