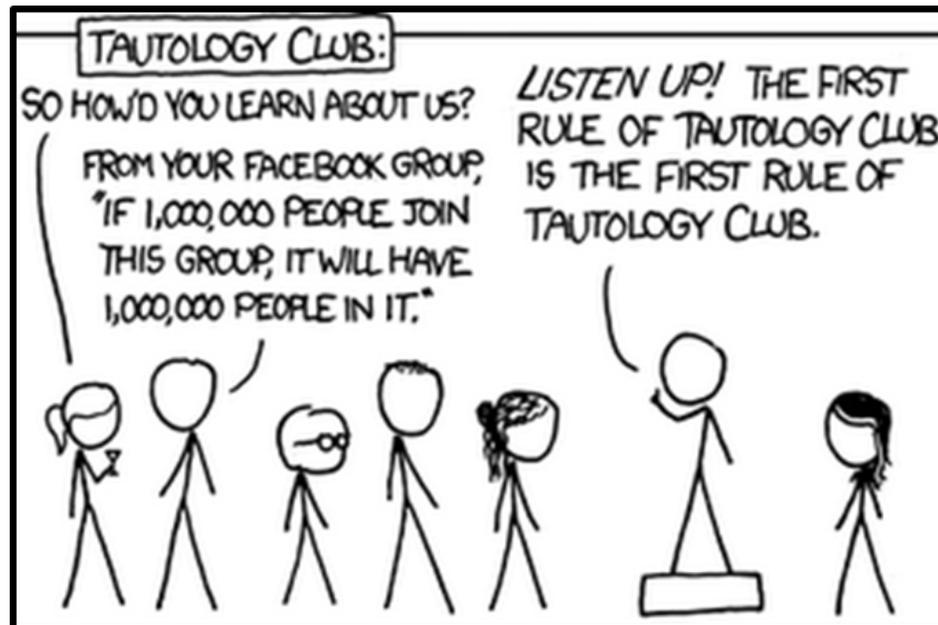


CSE 311: Foundations of Computing

Lecture 4: Boolean Algebra, Circuits, Canonical Forms



Last Time: Proofs of Equivalence

To show A is equivalent to B

- Apply a series of logical equivalences to sub-expressions to convert A to B

To show A is a tautology

- Apply a series of logical equivalences to sub-expressions to convert A to T

Prove this is a Tautology: Option 1

$$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (q \vee p)$$

Use a series of equivalences like so:

$$\begin{aligned}(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (q \vee p) &\equiv \neg(p \wedge q) \vee (q \vee p) \\ &\equiv (\neg p \vee \neg q) \vee (q \vee p) \\ &\equiv \neg p \vee (\neg q \vee (q \vee p)) \\ &\equiv \neg p \vee ((\neg q \vee q) \vee p) \\ &\equiv \neg p \vee (p \vee (\neg q \vee q)) \\ &\equiv (\neg p \vee p) \vee (\neg q \vee q) \\ &\equiv (p \vee \neg p) \vee (q \vee \neg q) \\ &\equiv \mathbf{T} \vee \mathbf{T} \\ &\equiv \mathbf{T}\end{aligned}$$

Identity

- $p \wedge \mathbf{T} \equiv p$
- $p \vee \mathbf{F} \equiv p$

Domination

- $p \vee \mathbf{T} \equiv \mathbf{T}$
- $p \wedge \mathbf{F} \equiv \mathbf{F}$

Idempotent

- $p \vee p \equiv p$
- $p \wedge p \equiv p$

Commutative

- $p \vee q \equiv q \vee p$
- $p \wedge q \equiv q \wedge p$

Associative

- $(p \vee q) \vee r \equiv p \vee (q \vee r)$
- $(p \wedge q) \wedge r \equiv p \wedge (q \wedge r)$

Distributive

- $p \wedge (q \vee r) \equiv (p \wedge q) \vee (p \wedge r)$
- $p \vee (q \wedge r) \equiv (p \vee q) \wedge (p \vee r)$

Absorption

- $p \vee (p \wedge q) \equiv p$
- $p \wedge (p \vee q) \equiv p$

Negation

- $p \vee \neg p \equiv \mathbf{T}$
- $p \wedge \neg p \equiv \mathbf{F}$

Law of Implication

DeMorgan

Associative

Associative

Commutative

Associative

Commutative (twice)

Negation (twice)

Domination/Identity

Prove this is a Tautology: Option 2

$$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (q \vee p)$$

Make a Truth Table and show:

$$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (q \vee p) \equiv \mathbf{T}$$

p	q	$p \wedge q$	$q \vee p$	$(p \wedge q) \rightarrow (q \vee p)$
T	T	T	T	T
T	F	F	T	T
F	T	F	T	T
F	F	F	F	T

Boolean Logic

Combinational Logic

– output = $F(\text{input})$

Sequential Logic

– $\text{output}_t = F(\text{output}_{t-1}, \text{input}_t)$

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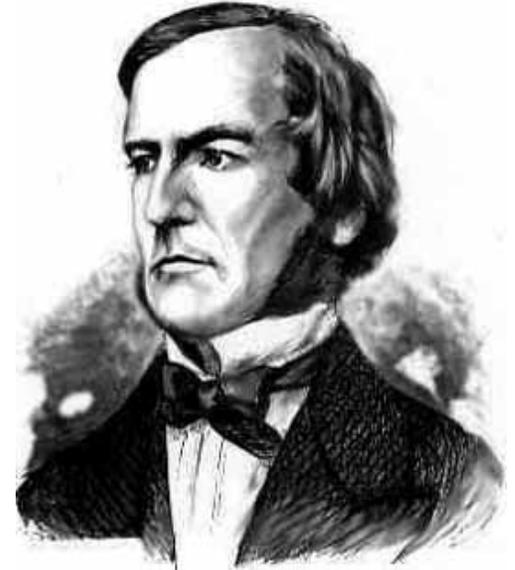


Boolean Algebra: Another notation for logic consisting of...

- a set of elements $B = \{0, 1\}$
- binary operations $\{ + , \cdot \}$ (OR, AND)
- and a unary operation $\{ ' \}$ (NOT)

Boolean Algebra

- Usual notation used in circuit design
- Boolean algebra
 - a set of elements B containing $\{0, 1\}$
 - binary operations $\{ + , \cdot \}$
 - and a unary operation $\{ ' \}$
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For any a, b, c in B :

1. closure:

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

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

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

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$$a + 0 = a$$

$$a \cdot 1 = a$$

6. complementarity:

$$a + a' = 1$$

$$a \cdot a' = 0$$

7. null:

$$a + 1 = 1$$

$$a \cdot 0 = 0$$

8. idempotency:

$$a + a = a$$

$$a \cdot a = a$$

9. involution:

$$(a')' = a$$

A Combinational Logic Example

Sessions of Class:

We would like to compute the number of lectures or quiz sections remaining *at the start* of a given day of the week.

- **Inputs:** Day of the Week, Lecture/Section flag
- **Output:** Number of sessions left

Examples: Input: (Wednesday, Lecture) Output: **2**

Input: (Monday, Section) Output: **1**

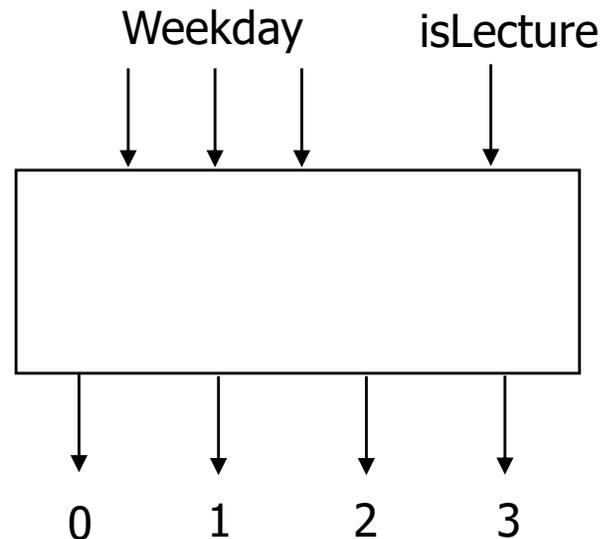
Implementation in Software

```
public int classesLeftInMorning(weekday, isLecture) {
    switch (weekday) {
        case SUNDAY:
        case MONDAY:
            return isLecture ? 3 : 1;
        case TUESDAY:
        case WEDNESDAY:
            return isLecture ? 2 : 1;
        case THURSDAY:
            return isLecture ? 1 : 1;
        case FRIDAY:
            return isLecture ? 1 : 0;
        case SATURDAY:
            return isLecture ? 0 : 0;
    }
}
```

Implementation with Combinational Logic

Encoding:

- How many bits for each input/output?
- Binary number for weekday
- One bit for each possible output



Defining Our Inputs!

Weekday Input:

- Binary number for weekday
- Sunday = 0, Monday = 1, ...
- We care about these in binary:

Weekday	Number	Binary
Sunday	0	$(000)_2$
Monday	1	$(001)_2$
Tuesday	2	$(010)_2$
Wednesday	3	$(011)_2$
Thursday	4	$(100)_2$
Friday	5	$(101)_2$
Saturday	6	$(110)_2$

Converting to a Truth Table!

```
case SUNDAY or MONDAY:
    return isLecture ? 3 : 1;
case TUESDAY or WEDNESDAY:
    return isLecture ? 2 : 1;
case THURSDAY:
    return isLecture ? 1 : 1;
case FRIDAY:
    return isLecture ? 1 : 0;
case SATURDAY:
    return isLecture ? 0 : 0;
```

Weekday	isLecture	C ₀	C ₁	C ₂	C ₃
SUN	000	0			
SUN	000	1			
MON	001	0			
MON	001	1			
TUE	010	0			
TUE	010	1			
WED	011	0			
WED	011	1			
THU	100	-			
FRI	101	0			
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-	111	-			

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Weekday		isLecture	c ₀	c ₁	c ₂	c ₃
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SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

Truth Table to Logic (Part 1)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
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SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

Let's begin by finding an expression for c_3 . To do this, we look at the rows where $c_3 = 1$ (true).

Truth Table to Logic (Part 1)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

DAY == SUN && L == 1

DAY == MON && L == 1

Truth Table to Logic (Part 1)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

$d_2d_1d_0 == 000 \ \&\& \ L == 1$

$d_2d_1d_0 == 001 \ \&\& \ L == 1$

Substituting DAY for the binary representation.

Truth Table to Logic (Part 1)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0
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SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

$d_2 == 0 \ \&\& \ d_1 == 0 \ \&\& \ d_0 == 0 \ \&\& \ L == 1$

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Splitting up the bits of the day;
so, we can write a formula.

Truth Table to Logic (Part 1)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
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THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
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SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

$$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L$$

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Replacing with
Boolean Algebra...

Truth Table to Logic (Part 1)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
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$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L$

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Either situation causes c_3 to be true. So, we "or" them.

$$c_3 = d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L + d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

Truth Table to Logic (Part 2)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

$$c_3 = d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L + d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

Now, we do c_2 .



Truth Table to Logic (Part 3)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3	
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0	→
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1	
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0	→
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1	
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0	→
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0	
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0	→
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0	
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0	→
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0	
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0	→
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0	
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Truth Table to Logic (Part 3)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3	
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L'$
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1	
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L'$
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1	
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L'$
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0	
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L'$
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0	
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0	???
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0	
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0	$d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0	
-	111	-	1	0	0	0	

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Truth Table to Logic (Part 3)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3	
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L'$
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1	
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L'$
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1	
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L'$
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0	
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L'$
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0	
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0	$d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0'$
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0	
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0	$d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0	
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Now, we do c_1 :

No matter what L is, we always say it's 1. So, we don't need L in the expression.

$$c_3 = d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L + d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

$$c_2 = d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L + d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

Truth Table to Logic (Part 3)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3	
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L'$
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1	
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L'$
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1	
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L'$
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0	
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0	$d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L'$
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0	
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0	$d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0'$
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0	
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0	$d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0	
-	111	-	1	0	0	0	

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$$c_1 = d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L' + d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L' + d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L' + d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L' + d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' + d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

Truth Table to Logic (Part 4)

	$d_2d_1d_0$	L	c_0	c_1	c_2	c_3
SUN	000	0	0	1	0	0
SUN	000	1	0	0	0	1
MON	001	0	0	1	0	0
MON	001	1	0	0	0	1
TUE	010	0	0	1	0	0
TUE	010	1	0	0	1	0
WED	011	0	0	1	0	0
WED	011	1	0	0	1	0
THU	100	-	0	1	0	0
FRI	101	0	1	0	0	0
FRI	101	1	0	1	0	0
SAT	110	-	1	0	0	0
-	111	-	1	0	0	0

$$c_1 = d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L' + d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L' + d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L' + d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L' + d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' + d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

$$c_2 = d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L + d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

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Finally, we do c_0 :

$d_2 \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L'$

$d_2 \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0'$

$d_2 \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0$

Truth Table to Logic (Part 4)

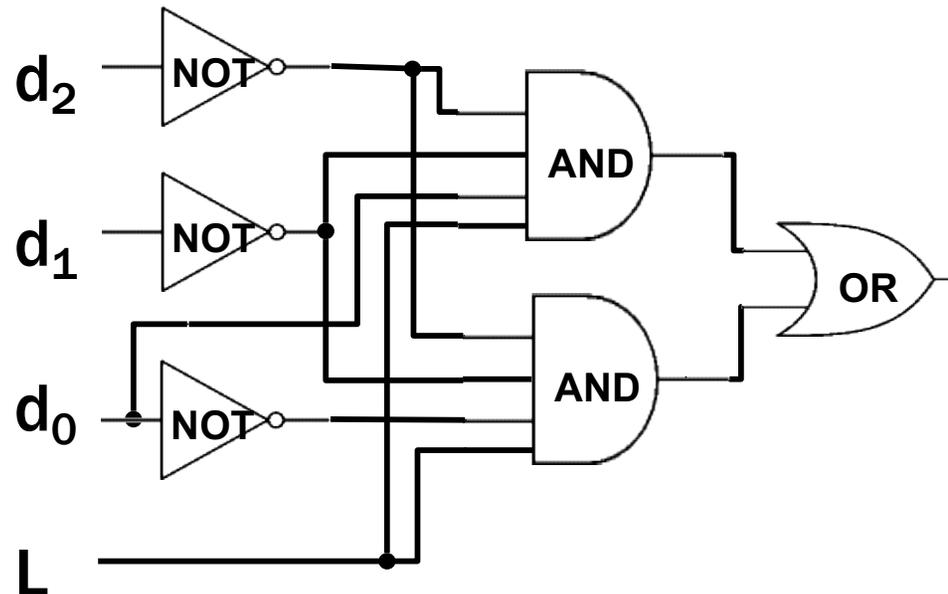
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$$c_2 = d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0' \cdot L + d_2' \cdot d_1 \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

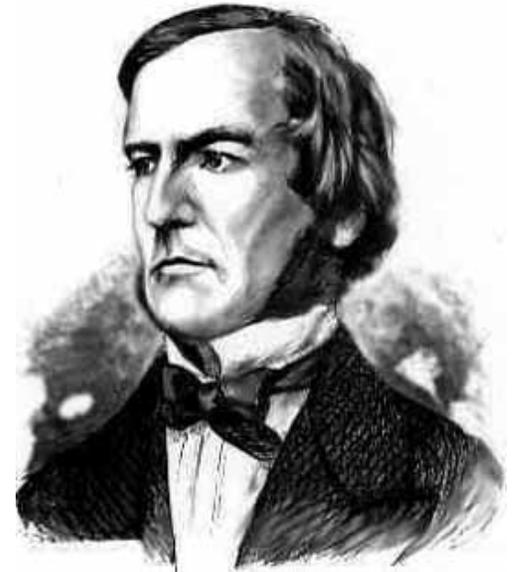
$$c_3 = d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0' \cdot L + d_2' \cdot d_1' \cdot d_0 \cdot L$$

Here's c_3 as a circuit:



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

4. distributivity:

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

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$$a + a' = 1$$

$$a \cdot a' = 0$$

7. null:

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$$a \cdot 0 = 0$$

8. idempotency:

$$a + a = a$$

$$a \cdot a = a$$

9. involution:

$$(a')' = a$$

Simplification using Boolean Algebra

uniting:

$$10. a \cdot b + a \cdot b' = a$$

$$10D. (a + b) \cdot (a + b') = a$$

absorption:

$$11. a + a \cdot b = a$$

$$11D. a \cdot (a + b) = a$$

$$12. (a + b') \cdot b = a \cdot b$$

$$12D. (a \cdot b') + b = a + b$$

factoring:

$$13. (a + b) \cdot (a' + c) = \\ a \cdot c + a' \cdot b$$

$$13D. a \cdot b + a' \cdot c = \\ (a + c) \cdot (a' + b)$$

consensus:

$$14. (a \cdot b) + (b \cdot c) + (a' \cdot c) = \\ a \cdot b + a' \cdot c$$

$$14D. (a + b) \cdot (b + c) \cdot (a' + c) = \\ (a + b) \cdot (a' + c)$$

de Morgan's:

$$15. (a + b + \dots)' = a' \cdot b' \cdot \dots$$

$$15D. (a \cdot b \cdot \dots)' = a' + b' + \dots$$

Proving Theorems

2. commutativity:
3. associativity:
4. distributivity:
5. identity:
6. complementarity:
7. null:
8. idempotency:
9. involution:

$$\begin{aligned}a + b &= b + a \\a + (b + c) &= (a + b) + c \\a + (b \cdot c) &= (a + b) \cdot (a + c) \\a + 0 &= a \\a + a' &= 1 \\a + 1 &= 1 \\a + a &= a \\(a')' &= a\end{aligned}$$

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Using the laws of Boolean Algebra:

prove the **Uniting theorem**:

$$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X$$

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Using the laws of Boolean Algebra:

prove the Uniting theorem:

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distributivity

$$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X \cdot (Y + Y')$$

complementarity

$$= X \cdot 1$$

identity

$$= X$$

prove the Absorption theorem:

$$X + X \cdot Y = X$$

identity

$$X + X \cdot Y = X \cdot 1 + X \cdot Y$$

distributivity

$$= X \cdot (1 + Y)$$

commutativity

$$= X \cdot (Y + 1)$$

null

$$= X \cdot 1$$

identity

$$= X$$

Proving Theorems

Using truth table:

For example, de Morgan's Law:

$(X + Y)' = X' \cdot Y'$
NOR is equivalent to AND
with inputs complemented

X	Y	X'	Y'	$(X + Y)'$	$X' \cdot Y'$
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0

$(X \cdot Y)' = X' + Y'$
NAND is equivalent to OR
with inputs complemented

X	Y	X'	Y'	$(X \cdot Y)'$	$X' + Y'$
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	0

Simplifying using Boolean Algebra

$$\begin{aligned}c3 &= d2' \cdot d1' \cdot d0' \cdot L + d2' \cdot d1' \cdot d0 \cdot L \\ &= d2' \cdot d1' \cdot (d0' + d0) \cdot L \\ &= d2' \cdot d1' \cdot 1 \cdot L \\ &= d2' \cdot d1' \cdot L\end{aligned}$$

