

# Combinational logic

- Basic logic
  - Boolean algebra, proofs by re-writing, proofs by perfect induction
  - logic functions, truth tables, and switches
  - NOT, AND, OR, NAND, NOR, XOR, . . . , minimal set
- Logic realization
  - two-level logic and canonical forms
  - incompletely specified functions
- Simplification
  - uniting theorem
  - grouping of terms in Boolean functions
- Alternate representations of Boolean functions
  - cubes
  - Karnaugh maps

# Possible logic functions of two variables

- There are 16 possible functions of 2 input variables:
  - in general, there are  $2^{2^n}$  functions of  $n$  inputs



		16 possible functions (F0-F15)															
X	Y	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1

0 → X and Y      X      Y      X xor Y      X or Y      X = Y      not Y      not X      X nand Y      1 → not (X and Y)

## Cost of different logic functions

- Different functions are easier or harder to implement
  - each has a cost associated with the number of switches needed
  - 0 (F0) and 1 (F15): require 0 switches, directly connect output to low/high
  - X (F3) and Y (F5): require 0 switches, output is one of inputs
  - X' (F12) and Y' (F10): require 2 switches for "inverter" or NOT-gate
  - X nor Y (F4) and X nand Y (F14): require 4 switches
  - X or Y (F7) and X and Y (F1): require 6 switches
  - $X = Y$  (F9) and  $X \oplus Y$  (F6): require 16 switches
  - thus, because NOT, NOR, and NAND are the cheapest they are the functions we implement the most in practice

## Minimal set of functions

- Can we implement all logic functions from NOT, NOR, and NAND?
  - For example, implementing X and Y is the same as implementing not (X nand Y)
- In fact, we can do it with only NOR or only NAND
  - NOT is just a NAND or a NOR with both inputs tied together

X	Y	X nor Y
0	0	1
1	1	0

X	Y	X nand Y
0	0	1
1	1	0

- and NAND and NOR are "duals", that is, its easy to implement one using the other

$$X \text{ nand } Y \equiv \text{not} ( \text{not } X \text{ nor } \text{not } Y )$$

$$X \text{ nor } Y \equiv \text{not} ( \text{not } X \text{ nand } \text{not } Y )$$

- But lets not move too fast . . .
  - lets look at the mathematical foundation of logic

## An algebraic structure

- An algebraic structure consists of

- a set of elements  $B$
- binary operations  $\{ +, \cdot \}$
- and a unary operation  $\{ ' \}$
- such that the following axioms hold:

1. the set  $B$  contains at least two elements:  $a, b$

2. closure:  $a + b$  is in  $B$   $a \cdot b$  is in  $B$

3. commutativity:  $a + b = b + a$   $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

4. associativity:  $a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$   $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$

5. identity:  $a + 0 = a$   $a \cdot 1 = a$

6. distributivity:  $a + (b \cdot c) = (a + b) \cdot (a + c)$   $a \cdot (b + c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$

7. complementarity:  $a + a' = 1$   $a \cdot a' = 0$

## Boolean algebra

- Boolean algebra

- $B = \{0, 1\}$
- variables
- $+$  is logical OR,  $\cdot$  is logical AND
- $'$  is logical NOT

- All algebraic axioms hold

## Logic functions and Boolean algebra

- Any logic function that can be expressed as a truth table can be written as an expression in Boolean algebra using the operators: ', +, and •

X	Y	X • Y	X	Y	X'	X' • Y
0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	0	0

X	Y	X'	Y'	X • Y	X' • Y'	(X • Y) + (X' • Y')
0	0	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	1

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

Boolean expression that is true when the variables X and Y have the same value and false, otherwise

X, Y are Boolean algebra variables

## Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra

- identity
  - $X + 0 = X$
  - $X \bullet 1 = X$
- null
  - $X + 1 = 1$
  - $X \bullet 0 = 0$
- idempotency:
  - $X + X = X$
  - $X \bullet X = X$
- involution:
  - $(X')' = X$
- complementarity:
  - $X + X' = 1$
  - $X \bullet X' = 0$
- commutativity:
  - $X + Y = Y + X$
  - $X \bullet Y = Y \bullet X$
- associativity:
  - $(X + Y) + Z = X + (Y + Z)$
  - $(X \bullet Y) \bullet Z = X \bullet (Y \bullet Z)$

## Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra (cont'd)

- distributivity:  
8.  $X \cdot (Y + Z) = (X \cdot Y) + (X \cdot Z)$  8D.  $X + (Y \cdot Z) = (X + Y) \cdot (X + Z)$
- uniting:  
9.  $X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X$  9D.  $(X + Y) \cdot (X + Y') = X$
- absorption:  
10.  $X + X \cdot Y = X$  10D.  $X \cdot (X + Y) = X$   
11.  $(X + Y') \cdot Y = X \cdot Y$  11D.  $(X \cdot Y') + Y = X + Y$
- factoring:  
12.  $(X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z) =$  12D.  $X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z =$   
 $X \cdot Z + X' \cdot Y$   $(X + Z) \cdot (X' + Y)$
- consensus:  
13.  $(X \cdot Y) + (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z) =$  13D.  $(X + Y) \cdot (Y + Z) \cdot (X' + Z) =$   
 $X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z$   $(X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z)$

## Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra (cont'd)

- de Morgan's:  
14.  $(X + Y + \dots)' = X' \cdot Y' \cdot \dots$  14D.  $(X \cdot Y \cdot \dots)' = X' + Y' + \dots$
- generalized de Morgan's:  
15.  $f'(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, 0, 1, +, \cdot) = f(X_1', X_2', \dots, X_n', 1, 0, \cdot, +)$
- establishes relationship between  $\cdot$  and  $+$

## Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra (cont'd)

- Duality
  - a dual of a Boolean expression is derived by replacing
    - by +, + by •, 0 by 1, and 1 by 0, and leaving variables unchanged
  - any theorem that can be proven is thus also proven for its dual!
  - a meta-theorem (a theorem about theorems)
- duality:
 
$$16. X + Y + \dots \Leftrightarrow X \cdot Y \cdot \dots$$
- generalized duality:
 
$$17. f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, 0, 1, +, \cdot) \Leftrightarrow f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, 1, 0, \cdot, +)$$
- Different than deMorgan's Law
  - this is a statement about theorems
  - this is not a way to manipulate (re-write) expressions

## Proving theorems (rewriting)

- Using the axioms of Boolean algebra:
  - e.g., prove the theorem:  $X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X$ 

distributivity (8)	$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y'$	$= X \cdot (Y + Y')$
complementarity (5)	$X \cdot (Y + Y')$	$= X \cdot (1)$
identity (1D)	$X \cdot (1)$	$= X$ ➤
  
  - e.g., prove the theorem:  $X + X \cdot Y = X$ 

identity (1D)	$X + X \cdot Y$	$= X \cdot 1 + X \cdot Y$
distributivity (8)	$X \cdot 1 + X \cdot Y$	$= X \cdot (1 + Y)$
identity (2)	$X \cdot (1 + Y)$	$= X \cdot (1)$
identity (1D)	$X \cdot (1)$	$= X$ ➤

## Activity

- Prove the following using the laws of Boolean algebra:
  - $(X \cdot Y) + (Y \cdot Z) + (X' \cdot Z) = X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z$

## Proving theorems (perfect induction)

- Using perfect induction (complete truth table):
  - e.g., de Morgan's:

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

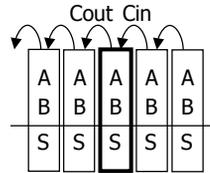
X	Y	X'	Y'	$(X + Y)'$	$X' \cdot Y'$
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0

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

## A simple example: 1-bit binary adder

- Inputs: A, B, Carry-in
- Outputs: Sum, Carry-out



A	B	Cin	Cout	S
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1



$$S = A' B' Cin + A' B Cin' + A B' Cin' + A B Cin$$

$$Cout = A' B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin$$

## Apply the theorems to simplify expressions

- The theorems of Boolean algebra can simplify Boolean expressions
  - e.g., full adder's carry-out function (same rules apply to any function)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cout} &= A' B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin \\
 &= A' B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin' + \boxed{A B Cin + A B Cin} \\
 &= A' B Cin + A B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin \\
 &= (A' + A) B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin \\
 &= (1) B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin \\
 &= B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin' + \boxed{A B Cin + A B Cin} \\
 &= B Cin + A B' Cin + A B Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin \\
 &= B Cin + A (B' + B) Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin \\
 &= B Cin + A (1) Cin + A B Cin' + A B Cin \\
 &= B Cin + A Cin + A B (Cin' + Cin) \\
 &= B Cin + A Cin + A B (1) \\
 &= B Cin + A Cin + A B
 \end{aligned}$$

adding extra terms  
creates new factoring  
opportunities

## Activity

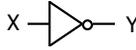
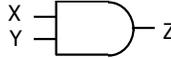
- Fill in the truth-table for a circuit that checks that a 4-bit number is divisible by 2, 3, or 5

<b>X8</b>	<b>X4</b>	<b>X2</b>	<b>X1</b>	<b>By2</b>	<b>By3</b>	<b>By5</b>
0	0	0	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	0

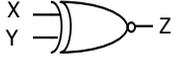
- Write down Boolean expressions for By2, By3, and By5

## Activity

## From Boolean expressions to logic gates

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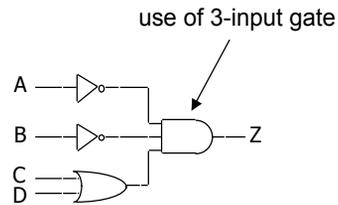
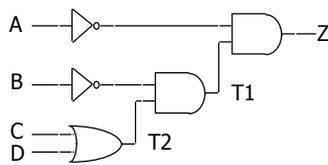
## From Boolean expressions to logic gates (cont'd)

- More than one way to map expressions to gates

e.g.,  $Z = A' \cdot B' \cdot (C + D) = (A' \cdot (B' \cdot (C + D)))$

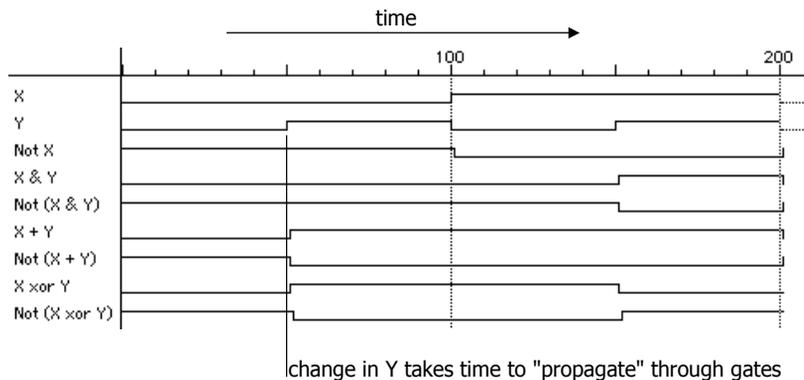
$$\frac{\quad}{T2}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{T1}$$



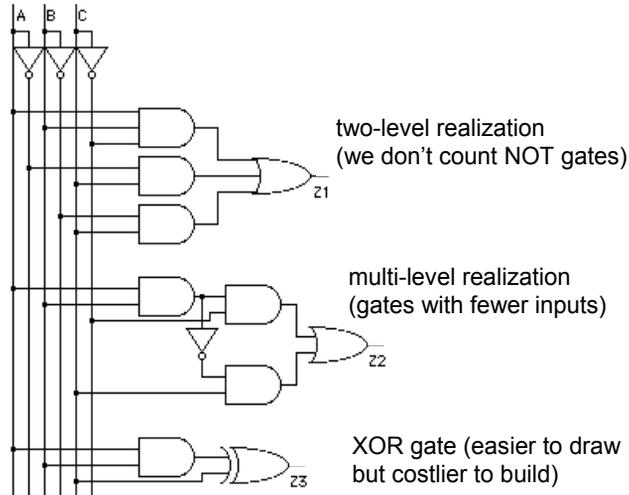
## Waveform view of logic functions

- Just a sideways truth table
  - but note how edges don't line up exactly
  - it takes time for a gate to switch its output!



## Choosing different realizations of a function

A	B	C	Z
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0



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## Which realization is best?

- Reduce number of inputs
  - literal: input variable (complemented or not)
    - can approximate cost of logic gate as 2 transistors per literal
    - why not count inverters?
  - fewer literals means less transistors
    - smaller circuits
  - fewer inputs implies faster gates
    - gates are smaller and thus also faster
  - fan-ins (# of gate inputs) are limited in some technologies
- Reduce number of gates
  - fewer gates (and the packages they come in) means smaller circuits
    - directly influences manufacturing costs

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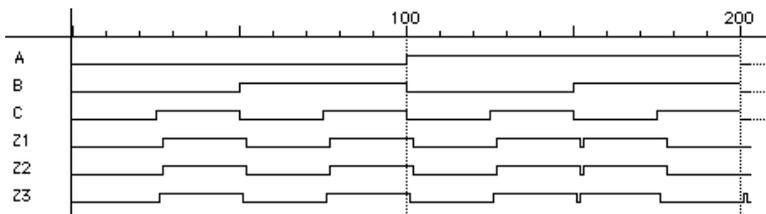
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## Which is the best realization? (cont'd)

- Reduce number of levels of gates
  - fewer level of gates implies reduced signal propagation delays
  - minimum delay configuration typically requires more gates
    - wider, less deep circuits
- How do we explore tradeoffs between increased circuit delay and size?
  - automated tools to generate different solutions
  - logic minimization: reduce number of gates and complexity
  - logic optimization: reduction while trading off against delay

## Are all realizations equivalent?

- Under the same input stimuli, the three alternative implementations have almost the same waveform behavior
  - delays are different
  - glitches (hazards) may arise – these could be bad, it depends
  - variations due to differences in number of gate levels and structure
- The three implementations are functionally equivalent



## Implementing Boolean functions

- Technology independent
  - canonical forms
  - two-level forms
  - multi-level forms
- Technology choices
  - packages of a few gates
  - regular logic
  - two-level programmable logic
  - multi-level programmable logic

## Canonical forms

- Truth table is the unique signature of a Boolean function
- The same truth table can have many gate realizations
- Canonical forms
  - standard forms for a Boolean expression
  - provides a unique algebraic signature

## Sum-of-products canonical forms

- Also known as disjunctive normal form
- Also known as minterm expansion

				$F = 001 \quad 011 \quad 101 \quad 110 \quad 111$
				$F = A'B'C + A'BC + AB'C + ABC' + ABC$
A	B	C	F	F'
0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0

$F' = A'B'C' + A'BC' + AB'C'$

## Sum-of-products canonical form (cont'd)

- Product term (or minterm)
  - ANDed product of literals – input combination for which output is true
  - each variable appears exactly once, true or inverted (but not both)

A	B	C	minterms	
0	0	0	A'B'C'	m0
0	0	1	A'B'C	m1
0	1	0	A'BC'	m2
0	1	1	A'BC	m3
1	0	0	AB'C'	m4
1	0	1	AB'C	m5
1	1	0	ABC'	m6
1	1	1	ABC	m7

short-hand notation for minterms of 3 variables

F in canonical form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(A, B, C) &= \Sigma m(1,3,5,6,7) \\
 &= m1 + m3 + m5 + m6 + m7 \\
 &= A'B'C + A'BC + AB'C + ABC' + ABC
 \end{aligned}$$

canonical form  $\neq$  minimal form

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(A, B, C) &= A'B'C + A'BC + AB'C + ABC + ABC' \\
 &= (A'B' + A'B + AB' + AB)C + ABC' \\
 &= ((A' + A)(B' + B))C + ABC' \\
 &= C + ABC' \\
 &= ABC' + C \\
 &= AB + C
 \end{aligned}$$

## Product-of-sums canonical form

- Also known as conjunctive normal form
- Also known as maxterm expansion

				$F =$	$000$	$010$	$100$
				$F =$	$(A + B + C)$	$(A + B' + C)$	$(A' + B + C)$
A	B	C	F	F'			
0	0	0	0	1			
0	0	1	1	0			
0	1	0	0	1			
0	1	1	1	0			
1	0	0	0	1			
1	0	1	1	0			
1	1	0	1	0			
1	1	1	1	0			

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

## Product-of-sums canonical form (cont'd)

- Sum term (or maxterm)
  - ORed sum of literals – input combination for which output is false
  - each variable appears exactly once, true or inverted (but not both)

A	B	C	maxterms	
0	0	0	A+B+C	M0
0	0	1	A+B+C'	M1
0	1	0	A+B'+C	M2
0	1	1	A+B'+C'	M3
1	0	0	A'+B+C	M4
1	0	1	A'+B+C'	M5
1	1	0	A'+B'+C	M6
1	1	1	A'+B'+C'	M7

F in canonical form:

$$\begin{aligned} F(A, B, C) &= \Pi M(0,2,4) \\ &= M0 \cdot M2 \cdot M4 \\ &= (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) (A' + B + C) \end{aligned}$$

canonical form  $\neq$  minimal form

$$\begin{aligned} F(A, B, C) &= (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) (A' + B + C) \\ &= (A + B + C) (A + B' + C) \\ &\quad (A + B + C) (A' + B + C) \\ &= (A + C) (B + C) \end{aligned}$$

short-hand notation for maxterms of 3 variables

## S-o-P, P-o-S, and de Morgan's theorem

- Sum-of-products

- $F' = A'B'C' + A'BC' + AB'C'$

- Apply de Morgan's

- $(F')' = (A'B'C' + A'BC' + AB'C')'$

- $F = (A + B + C)(A + B' + C)(A' + B + C)$

- Product-of-sums

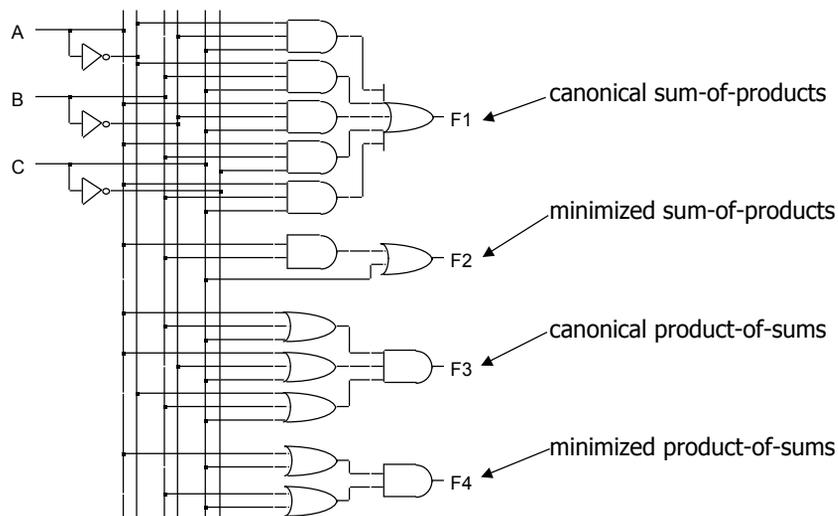
- $F' = (A + B + C')(A + B' + C')(A' + B + C')(A' + B' + C)(A' + B' + C')$

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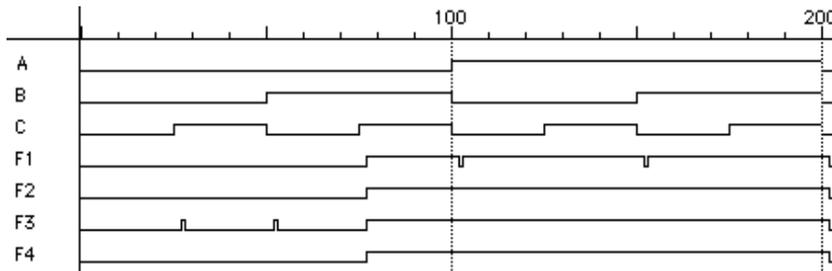
- $F = A'B'C + A'BC + AB'C + ABC' + ABC$

## Four alternative two-level implementations of $F = AB + C$



## Waveforms for the four alternatives

- Waveforms are essentially identical
  - except for timing hazards (glitches)
  - delays almost identical (modeled as a delay per level, not type of gate or number of inputs to gate)



## Mapping between canonical forms

- Minterm to maxterm conversion
  - use maxterms whose indices do not appear in minterm expansion
  - e.g.,  $F(A,B,C) = \sum m(1,3,5,6,7) = \prod M(0,2,4)$
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## Incompletely specified functions

- Example: binary coded decimal increment by 1
  - BCD digits encode the decimal digits 0 – 9 in the bit patterns 0000 – 1001

A	B	C	D	W	X	Y	Z
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	X	X	X	X
1	0	1	1	X	X	X	X
1	1	0	0	X	X	X	X
1	1	0	1	X	X	X	X
1	1	1	0	X	X	X	X
1	1	1	1	X	X	X	X

off-set of W  
 on-set of W  
 don't care (DC) set of W  
 these inputs patterns should never be encountered in practice – **"don't care"** about associated output values, can be exploited in minimization

## Notation for incompletely specified functions

- Don't cares and canonical forms
  - so far, only represented on-set
  - also represent don't-care-set
  - need two of the three sets (on-set, off-set, dc-set)
- Canonical representations of the BCD increment by 1 function:
  - $Z = m_0 + m_2 + m_4 + m_6 + m_8 + d_{10} + d_{11} + d_{12} + d_{13} + d_{14} + d_{15}$
  - $Z = \Sigma [ m(0,2,4,6,8) + d(10,11,12,13,14,15) ]$
  - $Z = M_1 \cdot M_3 \cdot M_5 \cdot M_7 \cdot M_9 \cdot D_{10} \cdot D_{11} \cdot D_{12} \cdot D_{13} \cdot D_{14} \cdot D_{15}$
  - $Z = \Pi [ M(1,3,5,7,9) \cdot D(10,11,12,13,14,15) ]$

## Simplification of two-level combinational logic

- Finding a minimal sum of products or product of sums realization
  - exploit don't care information in the process
- Algebraic simplification
  - not an algorithmic/systematic procedure
  - how do you know when the minimum realization has been found?
- Computer-aided design tools
  - precise solutions require very long computation times, especially for functions with many inputs (> 10)
  - heuristic methods employed – "educated guesses" to reduce amount of computation and yield good if not best solutions
- Hand methods still relevant
  - to understand automatic tools and their strengths and weaknesses
  - ability to check results (on small examples)

## The uniting theorem

- Key tool to simplification:  $A(B' + B) = A$
- Essence of simplification of two-level logic
  - find two element subsets of the ON-set where only one variable changes its value – this single varying variable can be eliminated and a single product term used to represent both elements

$$F = A'B' + AB' = (A' + A)B' = B'$$

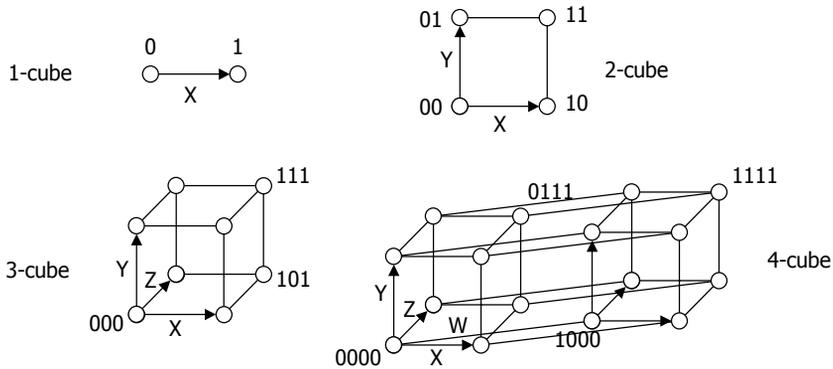
A	B	F
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0

B has the same value in both on-set rows  
 – B remains

A has a different value in the two rows  
 – A is eliminated

## Boolean cubes

- Visual technique for identifying when the uniting theorem can be applied
- $n$  input variables =  $n$ -dimensional "cube"



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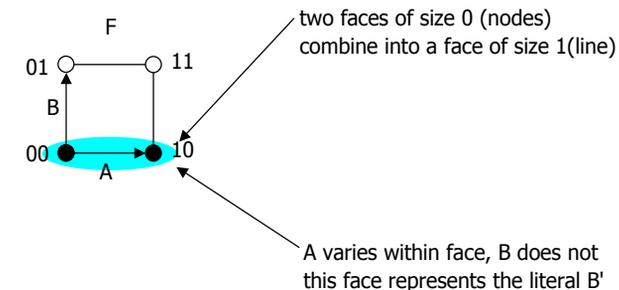
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## Mapping truth tables onto Boolean cubes

- Uniting theorem combines two "faces" of a cube into a larger "face"
- Example:

A	B	F
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0



ON-set = solid nodes  
 OFF-set = empty nodes  
 DC-set =  $\times$ 'd nodes

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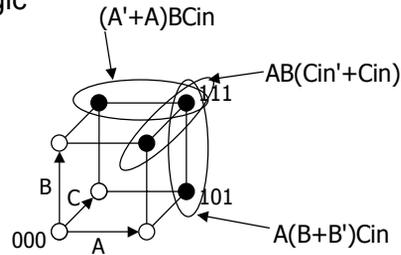
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## Three variable example

- Binary full-adder carry-out logic

A	B	Cin	Cout
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

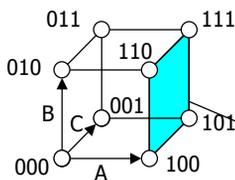


the on-set is completely covered by the combination (OR) of the subcubes of lower dimensionality - note that "111" is covered three times

$$Cout = BCin + AB + ACin$$

## Higher dimensional cubes

- Sub-cubes of higher dimension than 2



$$F(A,B,C) = \Sigma m(4,5,6,7)$$

on-set forms a square  
i.e., a cube of dimension 2

*represents an expression in one variable  
i.e., 3 dimensions - 2 dimensions*

A is asserted (true) and unchanged  
B and C vary

This subcube represents the  
literal A

## m-dimensional cubes in a n-dimensional Boolean space

- In a 3-cube (three variables):
  - a 0-cube, i.e., a single node, yields a term in 3 literals
  - a 1-cube, i.e., a line of two nodes, yields a term in 2 literals
  - a 2-cube, i.e., a plane of four nodes, yields a term in 1 literal
  - a 3-cube, i.e., a cube of eight nodes, yields a constant term "1"
- In general,
  - an m-subcube within an n-cube ( $m < n$ ) yields a term with  $n - m$  literals

## Karnaugh maps

- Flat map of Boolean cube
  - wrap-around at edges
  - hard to draw and visualize for more than 4 dimensions
  - virtually impossible for more than 6 dimensions
- Alternative to truth-tables to help visualize adjacencies
  - guide to applying the uniting theorem
  - on-set elements with only one variable changing value are adjacent unlike the situation in a linear truth-table

	A	0	1
B	0	1	1
	1	0	0
		1	3

A	B	F
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	0

## Karnaugh maps (cont'd)

- Numbering scheme based on Gray-code
  - e.g., 00, 01, 11, 10
  - only a single bit changes in code for adjacent map cells

		A			
		00	01	11	10
C	0	0	2	6	4
	1	1	3	7	5
		B			

		A			
		0	2	6	4
C	0	0	2	6	4
	1	1	3	7	5
		B			

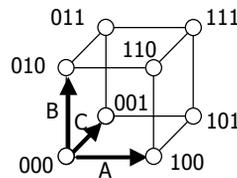
		A			
		0	4	12	8
C	0	0	4	12	8
	1	1	5	13	9
		D			
C	2	3	7	15	11
	3	2	6	14	10
		B			

13 = 1101 = ABC'D

## Adjacencies in Karnaugh maps

- Wrap from first to last column
- Wrap top row to bottom row

		A			
		010	110	100	
C	0	001	011	111	101
	1				
		B			



## Karnaugh map examples

■  $F =$

	A	
	1	1
B	0	0

$B'$

■  $\text{Cout} =$

	A	
	0	1
Cin	0	1
	1	1
	B	

$AB + ACin + BCin$

■  $f(A,B,C) = \sum m(0,4,6,7)$

	A	
	1	1
C	0	1
	0	1
	B	

$AC + B'C' + \cancel{AB'}$

obtain the complement of the function by covering 0s with subcubes

## More Karnaugh map examples

	A	
	0	1
C	0	1
	0	1
	B	

$G(A,B,C) = A$

	A	
	1	1
C	0	1
	0	1
	B	

$F(A,B,C) = \sum m(0,4,5,7) = AC + B'C'$

	A	
	1	1
C	1	1
	0	0
	B	

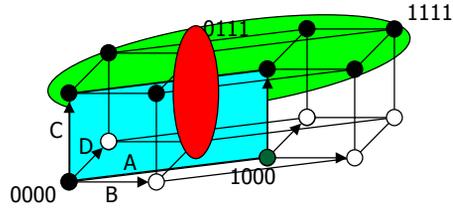
$F'$  simply replace 1's with 0's and vice versa  
 $F'(A,B,C) = \sum m(1,2,3,6) = BC' + A'C$

## Karnaugh map: 4-variable example

- $F(A,B,C,D) = \Sigma m(0,2,3,5,6,7,8,10,11,14,15)$

$$F = C + A'BD + B'D'$$

	A			
	1	0	0	1
	0	1	0	0
C	1	1	1	1
	1	1	1	1
	B			
	D			



find the smallest number of the largest possible subcubes to cover the ON-set  
(fewer terms with fewer inputs per term)

## Karnaugh maps: don't cares

- $f(A,B,C,D) = \Sigma m(1,3,5,7,9) + d(6,12,13)$

- without don't cares

- $f = A'D + B'C'D$

	A			
	0	0	X	0
	1	1	X	1
C	1	1	0	0
	0	X	0	0
	B			
	D			

## Karnaugh maps: don't cares (cont'd)

- $f(A,B,C,D) = \sum m(1,3,5,7,9) + d(6,12,13)$ 
  - $f = A'D + B'C'D$  without don't cares
  - $f = A'D + C'D$  with don't cares

	A			
	0	0	X	0
	1	1	X	1
C	1	1	0	0
	0	X	0	0
	B			

by using don't care as a "1"  
a 2-cube can be formed  
rather than a 1-cube to cover  
this node

don't cares can be treated as  
1s or 0s  
depending on which is more  
advantageous

## Activity

- Minimize the function  $F = \sum m(0, 2, 7, 8, 14, 15) + d(3, 6, 9, 12, 13)$

## Combinational logic summary

- Logic functions, truth tables, and switches
  - NOT, AND, OR, NAND, NOR, XOR, . . . , minimal set
- Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra
  - proofs by re-writing and perfect induction
- Gate logic
  - networks of Boolean functions and their time behavior
- Canonical forms
  - two-level and incompletely specified functions
- Simplification
  - a start at understanding two-level simplification
- Later
  - automation of simplification
  - multi-level logic
  - time behavior
  - hardware description languages
  - design case studies