

## Boolean algebra

- ◆ Last lecture
  - Binary numbers
  - Base conversion
  - Number systems
    - ↳ Twos-complement
  - A/D and D/A conversion
- ◆ Today's lecture
  - Boolean algebra
    - ↳ Axioms
    - ↳ Useful laws and theorems
    - ↳ Simplifying Boolean expressions

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## Major topic: Combinational logic

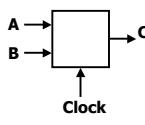
- ◆ Axioms and theorems of Boolean algebra
- ◆ Logic functions and truth tables
  - AND, OR, Buffer, NAND, NOR, NOT, XOR, XNOR
- ◆ Gate logic
  - Networks of Boolean functions
- ◆ Canonical forms
  - Sum of products and product of sums
- ◆ Simplification
  - Boolean cubes and Karnaugh maps
  - Two-level simplification

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## Combinational versus sequential

- ◆ Combinational: Memoryless
  - Apply fixed inputs A, B
  - Wait for clock edge
  - Observe C
  - Wait for another clock edge
  - Observe C again: C will stay the same
- ◆ Sequential: With Memory
  - Apply fixed inputs A, B
  - Wait for clock edge
  - Observe C
  - Wait for another clock edge
  - Observe C again: C may be different



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## Boolean algebra

- ◆ A Boolean algebra comprises...
  - A set of elements B
  - Binary operators {+, •}
  - A unary operation {'}
- ◆ ...and the following axioms
  - 1. The set B contains at least two elements {a b} with  $a \neq b$
  - 2. Closure:  $a+b$  is in B       $a \cdot b$  is in B
  - 3. Commutative:  $a+b = b+a$        $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$
  - 4. Associative:  $a+(b+c) = (a+b)+c$        $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$
  - 5. Identity:  $a+0 = a$        $a \cdot 1 = a$
  - 6. Distributive:  $a+(b \cdot c) = (a+b) \cdot (a+c)$        $a \cdot (b+c) = (a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c)$
  - 7. Complementarity:  $a+a' = 1$        $a \cdot a' = 0$

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## Digital (binary) logic is a Boolean algebra

- ◆ Substitute
  - {0, 1} for B
  - AND for •
  - OR for +
  - NOT for '
- ◆ All the axioms hold for binary logic
- ◆ Definitions
  - Boolean function
    - ↳ Maps inputs from the set {0,1} to the set {0,1}
  - Boolean expression
    - ↳ An algebraic statement of Boolean variables and operators

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## AND, OR, Not

- ◆ AND     $X \cdot Y$      $XY$      $Z$ 

X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1
- ◆ OR     $X+Y$      $Z$ 

X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1
- ◆ NOT     $\bar{X}$      $X'$      $Y$ 

X	Y
0	1
1	0

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## Logic functions and Boolean algebra

- ◆ Any logic function that is expressible as a truth table can be written in Boolean algebra using  $+$ ,  $\bullet$ , and  $'$

X	Y	Z
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

X	Y	X'	Z
0	0	1	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0

X	Y	X'	Y'	X • Y	X' • Y'	Z	Z = (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	

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## Two key concepts

- ◆ Duality (a meta-theorem— *a theorem about theorems*)

- All Boolean expressions have logical duals
- Any theorem that can be proved is also proved for its dual
- Replace:  $\bullet$  with  $+$ ,  $+$  with  $\bullet$ , 0 with 1, and 1 with 0
- Leave the variables unchanged

- ◆ de Morgan's Theorem

- Procedure for complementing Boolean functions
- Replace:  $\bullet$  with  $+$ ,  $+$  with  $\bullet$ , 0 with 1, and 1 with 0
- Replace all variables with their complements

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## Useful laws and theorems

Identity:	$X + 0 = X$	Dual: $X \bullet 1 = X$
Null:	$X + 1 = 1$	Dual: $X \bullet 0 = 0$
Idempotent:	$X + X = X$	Dual: $X \bullet X = X$
Involution:	$(X')' = X$	
Complementarity:	$X + X' = 1$	Dual: $X \bullet X' = 0$
Commutative:	$X + Y = Y + X$	Dual: $X \bullet Y = Y \bullet X$
Associative:	$(X+Y)+Z=X+(Y+Z)$	Dual: $(X \bullet Y) \bullet Z = X \bullet (Y \bullet Z)$
Distributive:	$X \bullet (Y+Z) = (X \bullet Y) + (X \bullet Z)$	Dual: $X + (Y \bullet Z) = (X + Y) \bullet (X + Z)$
Uniting:	$X \bullet Y + X \bullet Y' = X$	Dual: $(X \bullet Y) \bullet (X \bullet Y') = X$

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## Useful laws and theorems (con't)

Absorption:	$X + X \bullet Y = X$	Dual: $X \bullet (X + Y) = X$
Absorption (#2):	$(X+Y') \bullet Y = X \bullet Y$	Dual: $(X \bullet Y') + Y = X + Y$
de Morgan's:	$(X+Y+\dots)' = X' \bullet Y' \bullet \dots$	Dual: $(X \bullet Y \bullet \dots)' = X' + Y' + \dots$
Duality:	$(X+Y+\dots)^D = X \bullet Y \bullet \dots$	Dual: $(X \bullet Y \bullet \dots)^D = X + Y + \dots$
Multiplying & factoring:	$(X+Y) \bullet (X'+Z) = X \bullet Z + X' \bullet Y$	Dual: $X \bullet Y + X' \bullet Z = (X+Z) \bullet (X'+Y)$
Consensus:	$(X \bullet Y) + (Y \bullet Z) + (X' \bullet Z) = X \bullet Y + X' \bullet Z$	Dual: $(X+Y) \bullet (Y+Z) \bullet (X'+Z) = (X+Y) \bullet (X'+Z)$

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## Proving theorems

- ◆ Example 1: Prove the uniting theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Distributive} \quad X \bullet Y + X \bullet Y' &= X \bullet (Y + Y') \\ \text{Complementarity} \quad &= X \bullet (1) \\ \text{Identity} \quad &= X \end{aligned}$$

- ◆ Example 2: Prove the absorption theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Identity} \quad X + X \bullet Y &= (X + 1) + (X \bullet Y) \\ \text{Distributive} \quad &= X \bullet (1 + Y) \\ \text{Null} \quad &= X \bullet (1) \\ \text{Identity} \quad &= X \end{aligned}$$

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## Proving theorems

- ◆ Example 3: Prove the consensus theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Complementarity} \quad XY + YZ + X'Z &= XY + (X + X')YZ + X'Z \\ \text{Distributive} \quad &= XYZ + XY + X'YZ + X'Z \end{aligned}$$

↳ Use absorption { $AB+A=A$ } with  $A=XY$  and  $B=Z$

$$= XY + X'YZ + X'Z$$

Rearrange terms

↳ Use absorption { $AB+A=A$ } with  $A=X'Z$  and  $B=Y$

$$XY + YZ + X'Z = XY + X'Z$$

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## de Morgan's Theorem

- ◆ Use de Morgan's Theorem to find complements
- ◆ Example:  $F = (A+B) \bullet (A'+C)$ , so  $F' = (A' \bullet B') + (A \bullet C')$

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

A	B	C	F'
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

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## Logic simplification

- ◆ Use the axioms to simplify logical expressions
  - Why? To use less hardware

- ◆ Example: A two-level logic expression

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z &= A'BC + AB'C' + ABC' + ABC + ABC \\
 &= AB'C + AB'C' + A'BC + ABC + ABC && \text{rearrange} \\
 &= AB'(C + C') + A'BC + AB(C' + C) && \text{distributive} \\
 &= AB + A'BC + AB && \text{comp.} \\
 &= AB' + AB + A'BC && \text{rearrange} \\
 &= A(B' + B) + A'BC && \text{distributive} \\
 &= A + A'BC && \text{comp.}
 \end{aligned}$$

↳ Use absorption #2D  $\{X \bullet Y\}' + Y = X + Y$  with  $X = BC$  and  $Y = A$

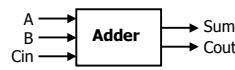
$$Z = A + BC$$

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## Example: A full adder

- ◆ 1-bit binary adder
  - Inputs: A, B, Carry-in
  - Outputs: Sum, Carry-out



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

$$S = A'B'Cin + A'BCin' + AB'Cin' + ABCin$$

$$Cout = A'BCin + AB'Cin + ABCin' + ABCin$$

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## Simplifying the carry-out function

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{associative} \quad Cout &= A'BCin + AB'Cin + ABCin' + ABCin \\
 &= A'BCin + AB'Cin + ABCin' + ABCin + ABCin \\
 &= A'BCin + ABCin + AB'Cin + ABCin' + ABCin \\
 &= (A+A)BCin + AB'Cin + ABCin' + ABCin \\
 &= (1)BCin + AB'Cin + ABCin' + ABCin \\
 &= BCin + AB'Cin + ABCin + ABCin' + ABCin \\
 &= BCin + A(B+B)Cin + ABCin' + ABCin \\
 &= BCin + A(1)Cin + ABCin' + ABCin \\
 &= BCin + ACin + AB(Cin + Cin) \\
 &= BCin + ACin + AB \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \text{idempotent}
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Some notation

- ◆ Priorities:  $\bar{A} \bullet B + C = ((\bar{A}) \bullet B) + C$
- ◆ Variables are sometimes called literals

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