

Digital Circuits

Boolean Algebra and Logic Gate

Chapter 2

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Lecture 5

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Description of the Laws of Boolean Algebra

- **Annulment Law 'Theorem 2'** – A term AND'ed with a "0" equals 0 or OR'ed with a "1" will equal 1

- $A \cdot 0 = 0$ A variable AND'ed with 0 is always equal to 0
- $A + 1 = 1$ A variable OR'ed with 1 is always equal to 1

- **Identity Law 'Postulate 2'** – A term OR'ed with a "0" or AND'ed with a "1" will always equal that term

- $A + 0 = A$ A variable OR'ed with 0 is always equal to the variable
- $A \cdot 1 = A$ A variable AND'ed with 1 is always

- **Idempotent Law** 'Theorem 1' – An input that is AND'ed or OR'ed with itself is equal to that input
 - $A + A = A$ A variable OR'ed with itself is always equal to the variable
 - $A \cdot A = A$ A variable AND'ed with itself is always equal to the variable
- **Complement Law** 'Postulate 5' – A term AND'ed with its complement equals "0" and a term OR'ed with its complement equals "1"
- - $A \cdot \bar{A} = 0$ A variable AND'ed with its complement is always equal to 0
 - $A + \bar{A} = 1$ A variable OR'ed with its complement is always equal to 1

- **Commutative Law 'Postulate 3'**– The order of application of two separate terms is not important
 - $A \cdot B = B \cdot A$ The order in which two variables are AND'ed makes no difference
 - $A + B = B + A$ The order in which two variables are OR'ed makes no difference
- **Double Negation Law - Involution 'Theorem 3'**– A term that is inverted twice is equal to the original term
 - $(A')' = A$ A double complement of a variable is always equal to the variable

- **Distributive Law** ‘Postulate 4’ – This law permits the multiplying or factoring out of an expression.

- $A(B + C) = A.B + A.C$ (OR Distributive Law)

- $A + (B.C) = (A + B).(A + C)$ (AND Distributive Law)

- **Absorptive Law** ‘Theorem 6’ – This law enables a reduction in a complicated expression to a simpler one by absorbing like terms.

- $A + (A.B) = A$ (OR Absorption Law)

- $A(A + B) = A$ (AND Absorption Law)

- **Associative Law** 'Theorem 4' – This law allows the removal of brackets from an expression and regrouping of the variables.

- $A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C = A + B + C$ (OR Associate Law)

- $A(B.C) = (A.B)C = A . B . C$ (AND Associate Law)

- **de Morgan's Theorem** 'Theorem 5' – There are two “de Morgan's” rules or theorems,

(1) Two separate terms NOR'ed together is the same as the two terms inverted (Complement) and AND'ed for example: $A+B = A . B$

(2) Two separate terms NAND'ed together is the same as the two terms inverted (Complement) and OR'ed for example: $A.B = A + B$

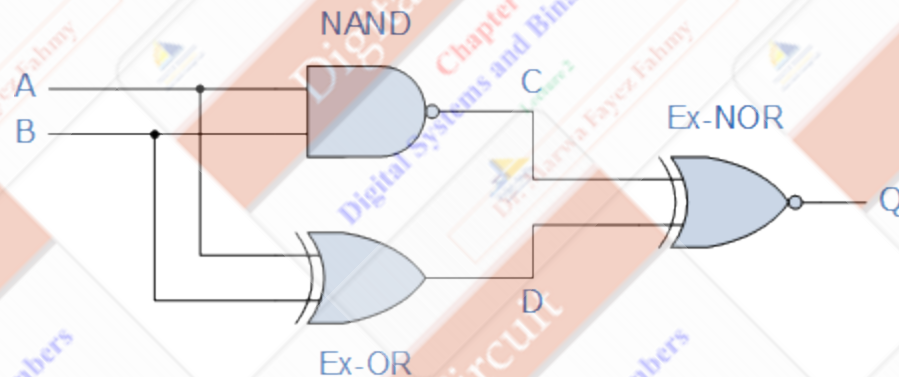
Operator Precedence

- The operator precedence for evaluating Boolean Expression is
 - Parentheses
 - NOT
 - AND
 - OR
- Examples
 - $x y' + z$
 - $(x y + z)'$

Boolean Algebra Examples

Boolean Algebra Example No1

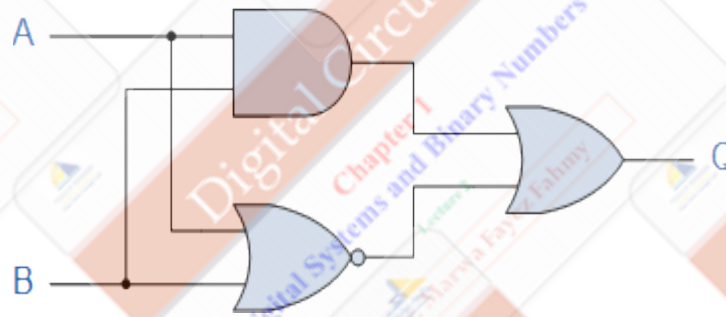
- Construct a Truth Table for the logical functions at points C, D and Q in the following circuit and identify a single logic gate that can be used to replace the whole circuit.

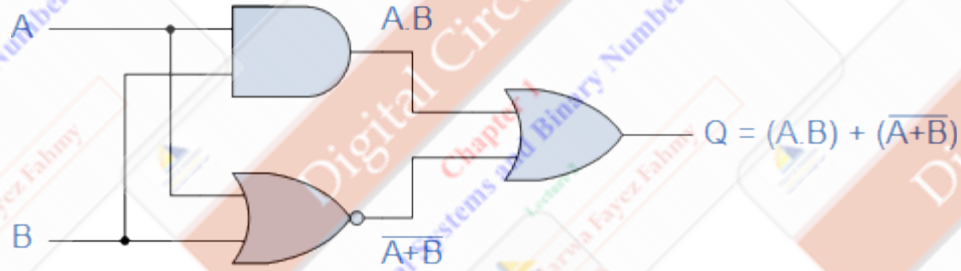


Inputs			Output at	
A	B	C	D	Q
0	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	1

Boolean Algebra Example No2

- Find the Boolean algebra expression for the following system.

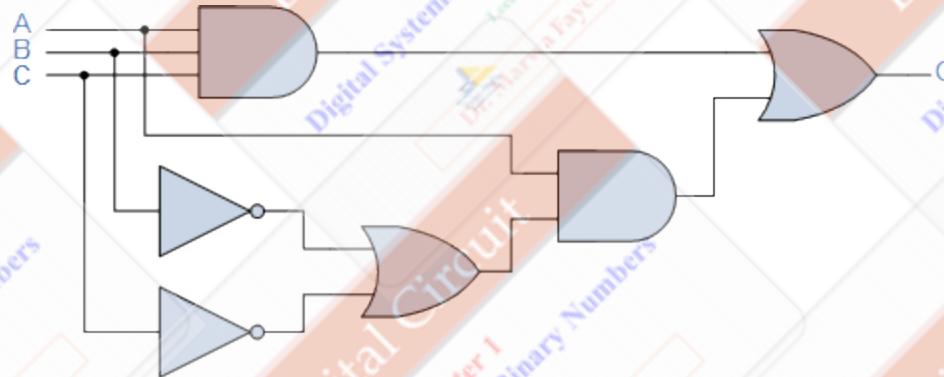


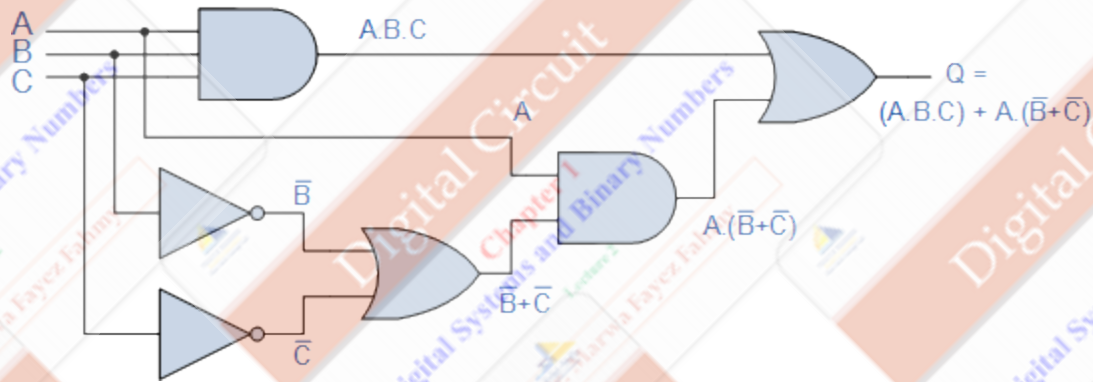


Inputs		Intermediates		Output
B	A	A.B	A + B	Q
0	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	1

Boolean Algebra Example No 3

- Find the Boolean algebra expression for the following system.





Inputs			Intermediates				Output	
C	B	A	A.B.C	B	C	B+C	A.(B+C)	Q
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1

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Proof That

1. $xy + x'z + yz = xy + x'z$
2. $(x+y) \cdot (x'+z) \cdot (y+z) = (x+y) \cdot (x'+z)$ -- (dual)

- **Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned}xy + x'z + yz &= xy + x'z + (x+x')yz \\ &= xy + x'z + xyz + x'yz \\ &= (xy + xyz) + (x'z + x'zy) \\ &= xy + x'z\end{aligned}$$

QED (2 true by duality).

Boolean Functions

- A Boolean function
 - Binary variables
 - Binary operators OR and AND
 - Unary operator NOT
 - Parentheses
- Examples
 - $F_1 = x y z'$
 - $F_2 = x + y'z$
 - $F_3 = x' y' z + x' y z + x y'$
 - $F_4 = x y' + x' z$

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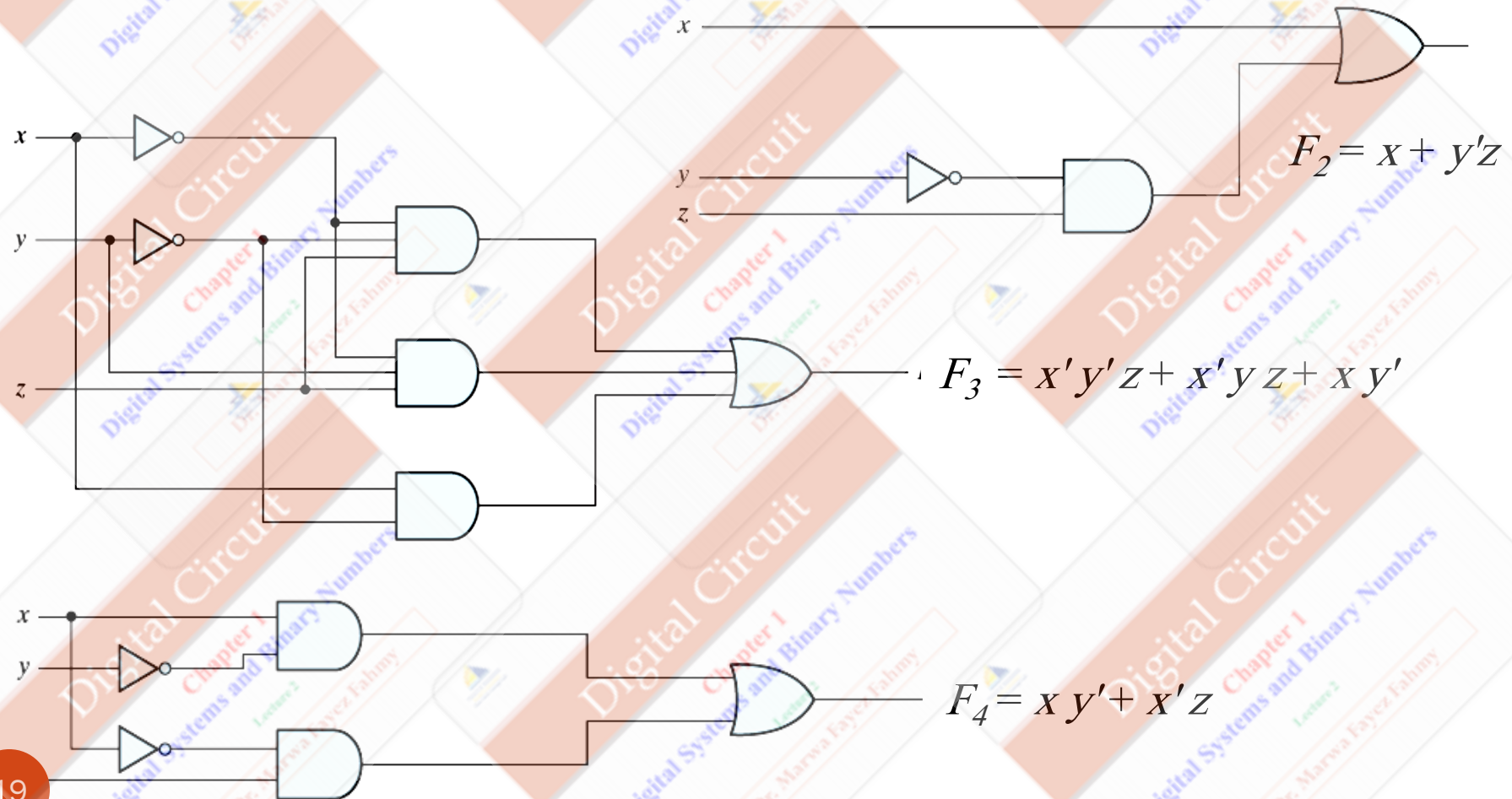
- The truth table of 2^n entries

x	y	z	F_1	F_2	F_3	F_4
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	0	0

- Two Boolean expressions may specify the same function
- $F_3 = F_4$

Boolean Functions

- Implementation with logic gates
 - F_4 is more economical



Algebraic Manipulation

- To minimize Boolean expressions
 - **Literal**: a primed or unprimed variable (an input to a gate)
 - **Term**: an implementation with a gate
 - The minimization of the number of literals and the number of terms \rightarrow a circuit with less equipment
 - It is a hard problem (no specific rules to follow)

- Example 2.1

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. $xy + x'z + yz = xy + x'z + yz(x+x') = xy + x'z + yzx + yzx' = xy(1+z) + x'z(1+y) = xy + x'z$

5. $(x+y)(x'+z)(y+z) = (x+y)(x'+z)$, by duality from function 4. (*consensus theorem* with duality)

Complement of a Function

- An interchange of 0's for 1's and 1's for 0's in the value of F
 - By DeMorgan's theorem
 - $(A+B+C)' = (A+X)'$ let $B+C = X$
 - $= A'X'$ by theorem 5(a) (DeMorgan's)
 - $= A'(B+C)'$ substitute $B+C = X$
 - $= A'(B'C')$ by theorem 5(a) (DeMorgan's)
 - $= A'B'C'$ by theorem 4(b) (associative)
- *Generalizations*: a function is obtained by interchanging AND and OR operators and complementing each literal.
 - $(A+B+C+D+ \dots +F)' = A'B'C'D' \dots F'$
 - $(ABCD \dots F)' = A' + B' + C' + D' \dots + F'$

Examples

- Example 2.2

- $F_1' = (x'yz' + x'y'z)' = (x'yz')'(x'y'z)' = (x+y'+z)(x+y+z')$

- $F_2' = [x(y'z'+yz)]' = x' + (y'z'+yz)' = x' + (y'z')'(yz)'$
 $= x' + (y+z)(y'+z')$
 $= x' + yz' + y'z$

- Example 2.3: a simpler procedure

- Take the dual of the function and complement each literal

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: $x'+(y+z)(y'+z') = F_2'$

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