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Boolean Algebra and Logic Gates

1.1 Introduction

- The binary operations performed by any digital circuit with the set of elements 0 and 1, are called logical operations or logic functions. The algebra used to symbolically represent the logic function is called Boolean algebra. It is a two state algebra invented by George Boole in 1854.
- Thus, a Boolean algebra is a system of mathematics logic for the analysis and designing of digital systems.
- A variable or function of variables in Boolean algebra can assume only two values, either a '0' or a '1'. Hence, (unlike another algebra) there are no fractions, no negative numbers, no square roots, no cube roots, no logarithms etc.

1.2 Logic Operations

- In Boolean algebra, all the algebraic functions performed is logical. These actually represent logical operations. The AND, OR and NOT are the basic operations that are performed in Boolean algebra.
- In addition to these operations, there are some derived operation such as NAND, NOR, EX-OR, EX-NOR that are also performed in Boolean algebra.

1.2.1 AND Operation

The AND operation in Boolean algebra is similar to the multiplication in ordinary algebra. It is a logical operation performed by AND gate.

| | |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| $A \cdot A = A$ | |
| $A \cdot 0 = 0$ | → Null law |
| $A \cdot 1 = A$ | → Identity law |
| $A \cdot \bar{A} = 0$ | |

1.2.2 OR Operation

The OR operation in Boolean algebra is performed by OR-gate.

| | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| $A + A = A$ | |
| $A + 0 = A$ | → Null law |
| $A + 1 = 1$ | → Identity law |
| $A + \bar{A} = 1$ | |

1.2.3 NOT Operation

- The NOT operation in Boolean algebra is similar to the complementation or inversion in ordinary algebra. The NOT operation is indicated by a bar ($\bar{\quad}$) or ($'$) over the variable.
- $A \xrightarrow{NOT} \bar{A}$ or A' (complementation law)
and $\overline{\bar{A}} = A \Rightarrow$ double complementation law.

1.2.4 NAND Operation

The NAND operation in Boolean algebra is performed by AND operation with NOT operation i.e. the negation of AND gate operation is performed by the NAND gate.

1.2.5 NOR Operation

The NOR operation in Boolean algebra is performed by OR operation with NOT operation. i.e. the negation of OR gate operation is performed by the NOR gate.

1.2.6 EX-OR Operation

Unlike basic operations of logic gates, this used for special purpose and is represented by symbol ' \oplus ' where

$$A \oplus B = A\bar{B} + \bar{A}B$$

1.3 Laws of Boolean Algebra

The Boolean algebra is governed by certain well developed rules and laws.

1.3.1 Commutative Laws

- The commutative law allows change in position of AND or OR variables. There are two commutative laws.
 - $A + B = B + A$
Thus, the order in which the variables are ORed is immaterial.
 - $A \cdot B = B \cdot A$
Thus, the order in which the variables are ANDed is immaterial.
- This law can be extended to any number of variables.

1.3.2 Associative Laws

- The associative law allows grouping of variables. There are two associative laws
 - $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$
Thus, the way the variables are grouped and ORed is immaterial.
 - $(A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C)$
Thus, the way the variables are grouped and ANDed is immaterial.
- This law can be extended to any number of variables.

1.3.3 Distributive Laws

- The distributive law allows factoring or multiplying out of expressions. There are two distributive laws.
 - $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ (ii) $A + BC = (A + B)(A + C)$
- This law is applicable for single variable as well as a combination of variables.

1.3.4 Idempotence Laws

Idempotence means the same value. There are two Idempotence laws

(i) $A \cdot A = A$

i.e. ANDing of a variable with itself is equal to that variable only.

(ii) $A + A = A$

i.e. ORing of a variable with itself is equal to that variable only.

1.3.5 Absorption Laws

There are two absorption laws

(i) $A + AB = A(1 + B) = A$ (ii) $A(A + B) = A$

1.3.6 Involutionary Law

This law states that, for any variable 'A'

$$\overline{\overline{A}} = (A')' = A$$

1.4 Boolean Algebraic Theorems

1.4.1 De Morgan's Theorem

- These are very useful in simplifying expressions in which a product or sum of variables is inverted.
- De Morgan's theorem represents two of the most important rules of Boolean algebra.

(i) $\overline{A \cdot B} = \overline{A} + \overline{B}$

Thus, the complement of the product of variables is equal to the sum of their individual complements.

(ii) $\overline{A + B} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B}$

Thus, the complement of a sum of variables is equal to the product of their individual complements.

- The above two laws can be extend for 'n' variables as

$$\overline{A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdots A_n} = \overline{A_1} + \overline{A_2} + \cdots + \overline{A_n}$$

and $\overline{\overline{A_1} + \overline{A_2} + \cdots + \overline{A_n}} = \overline{A_1} \cdot \overline{A_2} \cdot \overline{A_3} \cdot \overline{A_4} \cdots \overline{A_n}$

1.4.2 Transposition Theorem

The transposition theorem states that $(AB + \overline{A}C) = (A + C)(\overline{A} + B)$

1.4.3 Consensus Theorem/Redundancy Theorem

- This theorem is used to eliminate redundant term.
- A variable is associated with some variable and its complement is associated with some other variable and the next term is formed by the left over variables, then the term becomes redundant.
- It is applicable only if a Boolean function,
 - (i) Contains 3-variables.
 - (ii) Each variable used two times.
 - (iii) Only one variable is in complemented or uncomplemented form.

Then, the related terms to that complemented and uncomplemented variable is the answer.

- Consensus theorem can be extended to any number of variables.

e.g. $AB + \bar{A}C + BC = AB + \bar{A}C$



Example - 1.1 The Boolean expression $(A + B)(\bar{B} + C)(C + A) = (A + B)(\bar{B} + C)$ can be simplified as

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| (a) $(A + B)(\bar{B} + C)$ | (b) $(\bar{A} + B)(\bar{B} + C)$ |
| (c) $(A + \bar{B})(\bar{B} + C)$ | (d) $(A + \bar{B})(B + \bar{C})$ |

Solution : (a)

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= (A + B)(\bar{B} + C)(C + A) \\ &= (A\bar{B} + AC + BC)(C + A) \\ &= A\bar{B}C + AC + BC + A\bar{B} + AC + ABC \\ &= AC + BC + A\bar{B} \\ \text{RHS} &= (A + B)(\bar{B} + C) \\ &= A\bar{B} + AC + BC = \text{LHS} \end{aligned}$$



Example - 1.2 $\overline{A\bar{B}C}$ is equal to

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| (a) $\bar{A} + \bar{B} + \bar{C}$ | (b) \overline{ABC} |
| (c) $A + B + C$ | (d) $A \cdot B \cdot C$ |

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Solution: (c)

$$\overline{A\bar{B}C} = \bar{A} + \bar{\bar{B}} + \bar{C} = A + B + C$$

1.4.4 Duality Theorem

It is one of the elegant theorems proved in advance mathematics.

“Dual expression” is equivalent to write a negative logic of the given Boolean relation. For this we have to

- change each **OR** sign by an **AND** sign and vice-versa.
- complement any ‘0’ or ‘1’ appearing in expression.
- keep literals/variables as it is.



Example - 1.3 The self dual expression of boolean relation, $\bar{A}BC + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + A\bar{B}C$ is

- $(A + B + \bar{C})(A + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})$
- $(A + B + C)(A + B + C)(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})$
- $(\bar{A} + B + C)(A + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})$
- $(\bar{A} + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})$

Solution: (c)

$$\begin{aligned} &\bar{A}BC + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + A\bar{B}C \\ &\quad \text{Its DUAL} \\ &\quad \downarrow \\ &(\bar{A} + B + C)(A + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C}) \end{aligned}$$



NOTE

- For any logical expression, if we take two times Dual, we get same given expression as previous.
- For 1-time Dual, if we get same function or expression it is called "Self Dual Expression".
- With N -variables, maximum possible Self-Dual Function = $(2)^{2^{n-1}} = 2^{(2^n/2)}$.
- Remember that with N -variables, maximum possible distinct logic functions = 2^{2^n} .

1.4.5 Complementary Theorem

For obtaining complement expression we have to

- change each **OR** sign by **AND** sign and vice-versa.
- complement any '0' or '1' appearing in expression.
- complement the individual literals/variables.



Example - 1.4 The compliment of the function $f = A\bar{B}C + \bar{A}B\bar{C} + A\bar{B}\bar{C}$ is equal to

- (a) $(\bar{A} + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + B + C)$ (b) $(\bar{A} + \bar{B} + C)(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})(\bar{A} + B + C)$
 (c) $(\bar{A} + \bar{B} + C)(A + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + \bar{B} + C)$ (d) $(\bar{A} + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + \bar{B} + \bar{C})$

Solution : (a)

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f} &= \text{Complement of } f \\ \bar{f} &= (\bar{A} + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + B + C) \end{aligned}$$



Example - 1.5 The Boolean expression $A(A + B)$ is equal to

- (a) 1 (b) B
 (c) A (d) $A + B$

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Solution: (c)

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= A(A + B) \\ &= A \cdot A + A \cdot B \\ &= A + AB \\ &= A(1 + B) \\ &= A \end{aligned}$$



Example - 1.6 The Boolean function $(x + y)(\bar{x} + z)(y + z)$ is equal to which one of the following expressions?

- (a) $(x + y)(y + z)$ (b) $(\bar{x} + z)(y + z)$
 (c) $(x + y)(\bar{x} + z)$ (d) $(x + y)(x + \bar{z})$

Solution: (c)

By using consensus theorem,

$$(x + y)(\bar{x} + z)(y + z) = (x + y)(\bar{x} + z)$$



Example - 1.7 The minimized form of the logical expression $(\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C} + \bar{A}B\bar{C} + \bar{A}BC + ABC)$ is

(a) $\bar{A}\bar{C} + B\bar{C} + \bar{A}B$

(b) $A\bar{C} + \bar{B}C + \bar{A}B$

(c) $\bar{A}C + \bar{B}C + \bar{A}B$

(d) $A\bar{C} + \bar{B}C + A\bar{B}$

Solution: (a)

Given,

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C} + \bar{A}B\bar{C} + \bar{A}BC + ABC + \bar{A}BC + \bar{A}B\bar{C} \\ &= \bar{A}\bar{C}(B + \bar{B}) + \bar{A}B(C + \bar{C}) + B\bar{C}(A + \bar{A}) \\ &= \bar{A}\bar{C} + \bar{A}B + B\bar{C} \end{aligned}$$



Example - 1.8 If X and Y are Boolean variables, which one of the following is the equivalent of $X \oplus Y \oplus XY$?

(a) $X + \bar{Y}$

(b) $X + Y$

(c) 0

(d) 1

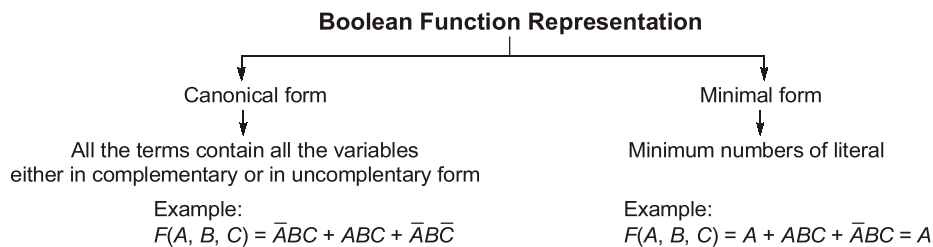
Solution: (b)

Let,

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= X \oplus Y \oplus XY \\ Z &= X \oplus [\bar{Y}(XY) + Y(\bar{X}\bar{Y})] \\ &= X \oplus [Y(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})] = X \oplus [(\bar{X}Y)] \\ &= \bar{X}(\bar{X}Y) + X(\bar{X}\bar{Y}) = \bar{X}Y + X(\bar{X} + \bar{Y}) \\ &= \bar{X}Y + X + X\bar{Y} = \bar{X}Y + X(1 + \bar{Y}) \\ &= \bar{X}Y + X = (X + \bar{X})(X + Y) = (X + Y) \end{aligned}$$

1.5 Representation of Boolean Functions

- A function of 'n' Boolean variables denoted by $f(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)$ is another variable of algebra and takes one of the two possible values either 0 or 1. The various ways of representing a given function are discussed below:



- The term 'literal' means a binary variable either in complementary or in uncomplimentary form.

1.5.1 Minterms and Maxterms

- n-binary variables have 2^n possible combinations.
- Minterm is a product term, it contains all the variables either complementary or uncomplimentary form for that combination the function output must be '1'.
- Maxterm is a sum term, it contains all the variables either complementary or uncomplimentary form for that combination the function output must be '0'.



NOTE

- In “Minterms” we assign ‘1’ to each uncomplemented variable and ‘0’ to each complemented variable.
- In “Maxterms” we assign ‘0’ to each uncomplemented variable and ‘1’ to each complemented variable.

1.5.2 Sum of Product (SOP) Form

- The SOP expression usually takes the form of two or more variables ANDed together. Each product term may be minterm or implicant.

$$Y = \bar{A}BC + A\bar{B} + AC$$

$$Y = A\bar{B} + B\bar{C}$$

- This form is also called the “disjunctive normal form”.
- The SOP expression is used most often because it tends itself nicely to the development of truth tables and timing diagrams.
- SOP circuits can also be constructed easily by using a special combinational logic gates called the “AND-OR-INVERTER” gate.
- SOP forms are used to write logical expression for the output becoming Logic ‘1’.

| Input (3-Variables) | | | Output (Y) |
|---------------------|---|---|------------|
| A | B | C | Y |
| 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 |

∴ Notation of SOP expression is,

$$f(A, B, C) = \sum m(3, 5, 6, 7)$$

∴ $Y = m_3 + m_5 + m_6 + m_7$

also, $Y = \bar{A}BC + A\bar{B}C + AB\bar{C} + ABC$

1.5.3 Product of Sum (POS) Form

- The POS expression usually takes the form of two or more order variables within parentheses, ANDed with two or more such terms.

$$Y = (A + \bar{B} + C) \cdot (B\bar{C} + D)$$

- This form is also called the “Conjunctive normal form”.
- Each individual term in standard POS form is called *Maxterm*.
- POS forms are used to write logical expression for output be coming Logic ‘0’.

From the above truth table, we get

$$F(A, B, C) = \prod M(0, 1, 2, 4)$$

∴ $Y = M_0 \times M_1 \times M_2 \times M_4$

also, $Y = (A + B + C)(A + B + \bar{C})(A + \bar{B} + C)(\bar{A} + B + C)$

- We also conclude that From the above truth table, and from above equations
if, $Y = \Sigma m(3, 5, 6, 7)$
then, $Y = \Pi M(0, 1, 2, 4)$

1.5.4 Standard Sum of Product Form

- In this form the function is the sum of number of product terms where each product term contains all the variables of the function, either in complemented or uncomplemented form.
- It is also called canonical SOP form or expanded SOP form.
- The function $[Y = A + B\bar{C}]$ can be represented in canonical form as:

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= A + B\bar{C} = A(B + \bar{B})(C + \bar{C}) + B\bar{C}(A + \bar{A}) \\ &= ABC + AB\bar{C} + A\bar{B}C + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + AB\bar{C} + \bar{A}B\bar{C} \\ Y &= ABC + A\bar{B}C + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + AB\bar{C} + \bar{A}B\bar{C} \end{aligned}$$

1.5.5 Standard Product of Sum Form

- This form is also called canonical POS form or expanded POS form.

$$Y = (B + \bar{C}) \cdot (A + \bar{B})$$

- Then, the canonical form of the given function

$$Y = (B + C + A\bar{A})(A + \bar{B} + C\bar{C}) = (B + \bar{C} + A)(B + \bar{C} + \bar{A})(A + \bar{B} + C)(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})$$

1.5.6 Truth Table Form

A truth table is a tabular form representation of all possible combinations of given function.

$$Y = \bar{A}B + \bar{B}C$$

Then,

| | A | B | C | Y |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |



Example - 1.9 Simplify the expression for the following truth table.

| A | B | Y |
|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |

is equal to

- (a) \bar{A}
(c) \bar{B}

- (b) $\bar{A} + B$
(d) $\bar{A} + \bar{B}$

Solution : (c)

$$\Rightarrow Y = \bar{A}\bar{B} + A\bar{B} \Rightarrow Y = \bar{B}$$



Example - 1.10 Simplify the expression $Y(A, B) = \Pi M(1, 3)$.

(a) \bar{A}

(b) \bar{B}

(c) $\bar{A} + B$

(d) $\bar{A} + \bar{B}$

Solution : (b)

$$(1)_{10} = (01)_2 = \bar{A}B \text{ (SOP)} = A + \bar{B} \text{ (POS)}$$

$$(3)_{10} = (11)_2 = AB \cdot \text{(SOP)} = \bar{A} + \bar{B} \text{ (POS)}$$

\therefore

$$Y(A, B) = (A + \bar{B})(\bar{A} + \bar{B}) = \bar{A}\bar{B} + A\bar{B} = \bar{B}$$

1.5.7 Dual Form

- Dual form is used to convert positive logic to the negative logic and vice-versa.
- In positive logic system, higher voltage is taken as logic '1' and in negative logic system, higher voltage is taken as logic '0'. For example.

(i) For (positive) logic

$$\text{Logic '1'} = 0 \text{ V;}$$

$$\text{Logic '0'} = -5 \text{ V}$$

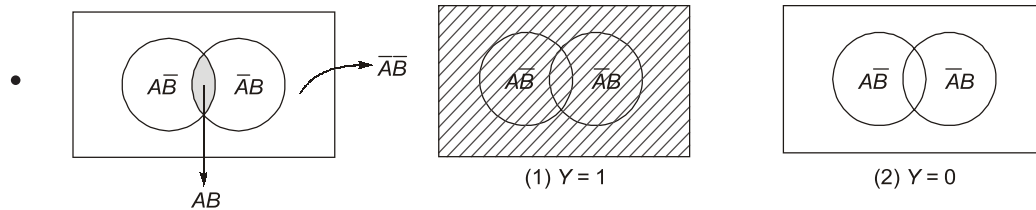
(ii) For (negative) logic

$$\text{Logic '1'} = -0.8 \text{ V;}$$

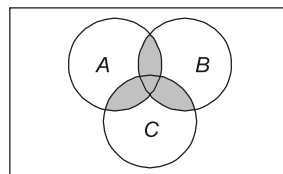
$$\text{Logic '0'} = -1.7 \text{ V}$$

1.5.8 Venn Diagram Form

- A Boolean algebra can be represented by a Venn diagram in which each variable is considered as a set.
- The AND operation is considered as an intersection and the OR operation is considered as a union.



Example - 1.11 For the given Venn diagram the minimize the expression for the shade area is represented



(a) $\bar{A}B + BC + \bar{A}C$

(b) $\bar{A}B + \bar{B}C + AC$

(c) $\bar{A}B + \bar{B}C + \bar{A}C$

(d) $AB + BC + AC$

Solution : (d)

The shaded area includes

$$ABC\bar{C}, A\bar{B}C, \bar{A}BC, ABC$$

∴

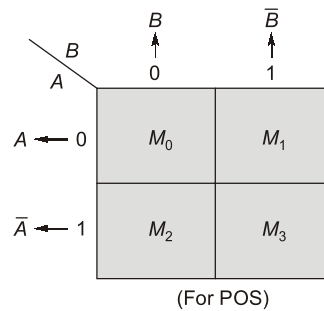
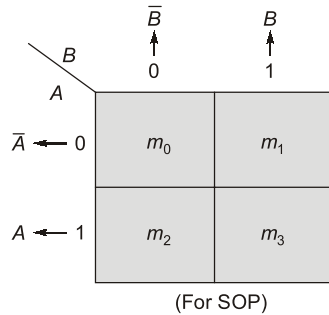
$$\begin{aligned} Y &= ABC + A\bar{B}C + \bar{A}BC + ABC \\ &= AB + AC(B + \bar{B}) + BC(A + \bar{A}) \\ &= AB + BC + AC \end{aligned}$$

1.6 Karnaugh Map

- The “Karnaugh map” is a graphical method which provides a systematic method for simplifying and manipulating the Boolean expressions or to convert a truth table to its corresponding logic circuit in a simple, orderly process.
- In this technique, the information contained in a truth table or available in SOP or POS form is represented on K-map.
- Although this technique may be used for any number of variables, it is generally used up to 6-variables beyond which it becomes very cumbersome.
- In n-variable K-map there are 2^n cells.
- “Gray code” has been used for the identification of cells.

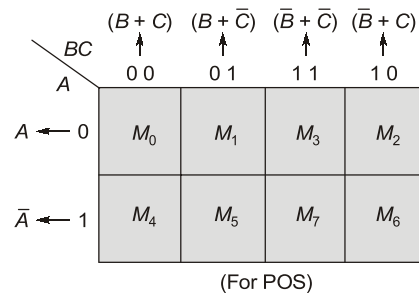
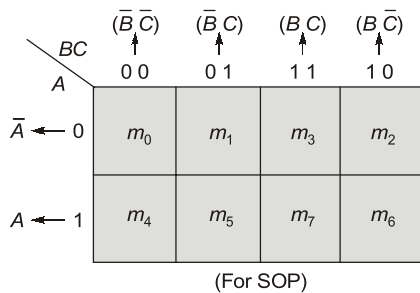
1.6.1 Two-variable K-Map

- Four cells
- Four minterms (maxterms)



1.6.2 Three-variable K-map

- Eight cells
- Eight minterms (maxterms)



1.6.3 Four-variable K-map

- Sixteen cells
- Sixteen minterms (maxterms)

| | | | | | |
|------|------|--------------------|--------------|----------|--------------------|
| | | $(\bar{C}\bar{D})$ | | | |
| | | $(\bar{C}D)$ | $(C\bar{D})$ | (CD) | $(\bar{C}\bar{D})$ |
| AB | 00 | m_0 | m_1 | m_3 | m_2 |
| | 01 | m_4 | m_5 | m_7 | m_6 |
| | 11 | m_{12} | m_{13} | m_{15} | m_{14} |
| | 10 | m_8 | m_9 | m_{11} | m_{10} |

(For SOP)

| | | | | | |
|------|------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|----------|
| | | $(C+D)$ | | | |
| | | $(C+\bar{D})$ | $(\bar{C}+\bar{D})$ | $(\bar{C}+D)$ | $(C+D)$ |
| AB | 00 | M_0 | M_1 | M_3 | M_2 |
| | 01 | M_4 | M_5 | M_7 | M_6 |
| | 11 | M_{12} | M_{13} | M_{15} | M_{14} |
| | 10 | M_8 | M_9 | M_{11} | M_{10} |

(For POS)

1.6.4 Complete Simplification Rules

- Construct the K-map and place 1's in those cells corresponding to the 1's in the truth table. Place 0's in the other cells.
- Examine the map for adjacent 1's and loop those 1's which are not adjacent to any other 1's. These are called isolated 1's.
- Next, look for those 1's which are adjacent to only one other 1. Loop any pair containing such a 1.
- Loop any octet even it contains some 1's that have already been looped.
- Loop any quad that contains one or more 1's which have not already been looped, making sure to use the minimum number of loops.
- Loop any pairs necessary to include any 1's that have not yet been looped, making sure to use the minimum number of loops.
- Form the OR sum of all the terms generated by each loop.

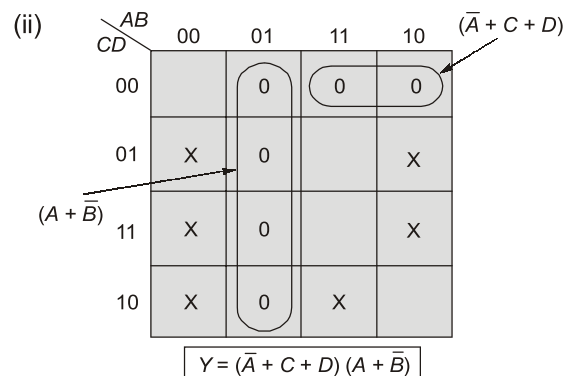
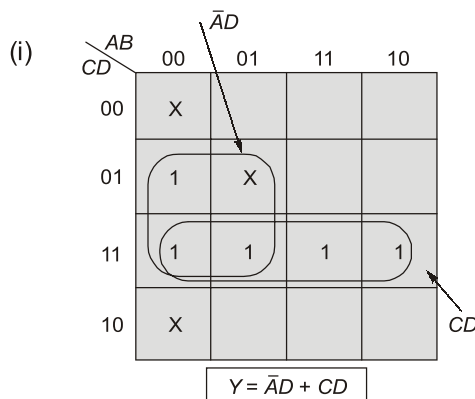
1.6.5 Don't Care Condition

- Some logic circuits can be designed so that there are certain input combinations for which there are no specified output levels, usually because these input combinations will never occur.
- So, a circuit designer is free to make the output for any "don't care" condition either a 0 or 1 in order to produce the simplest output expression.
- The two conditions can be better understood by constructing the K-map for the given two conditions.
 - (i) In terms of SOP and don't care conditions.

$$f(A, B, C, D) = \sum m(1, 3, 7, 11, 15) + d(0, 2, 5)$$

- (ii) In terms of POS and don't care conditions.

$$f(A, B, C, D) = \prod M(4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12). d(1, 2, 3, 9, 11, 14)$$



1.6.6 Implicants, Prime Implicants and Essential Prime Implicants

Implicant: Implicant is a product term on the given function for that combination the function output must be 1.

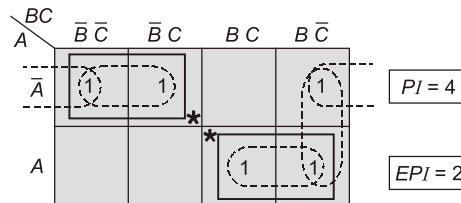
Prime Implicant: Prime implicant is a smallest possible product term of the given function, removing any one of the literal from which is not possible.

Essential Prime Implicant:

- Essential prime implicant is a prime implicant it must cover atleast one minterm, which is not covered by any other prime implicant.
- For the given K -map, find implicant, Prime Implicant and Essential Prime Implicant can be represented as

| | | | |
|---|----|---|---|
| | BC | | |
| A | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | | 1 | 1 |

Here total number of 1's = 5



∴ Implicant = 5

∴ Implicant = $(\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}), (\bar{A}\bar{B}C), (ABC), (\bar{A}B\bar{C}), (A\bar{B}\bar{C})$

and Prime implicant = $\bar{A}\bar{B}, \bar{A}\bar{C}, AB, B\bar{C}$

and $EPI = \bar{A}\bar{B}, AB$

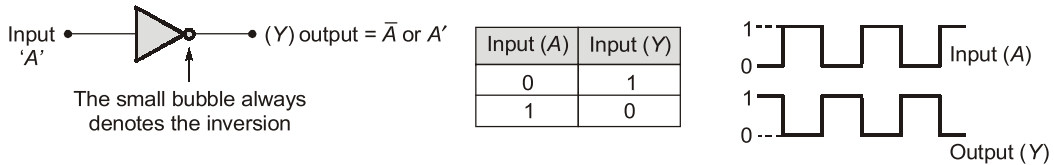
1.7 Logic Gates

- Logic gates are the fundamental building blocks of any digital system. They are usually constructed in LSI and VLSI circuits along with other devices.
- The name logic gate is derived from the ability of such a device to make decisions, in the sense that, it produces outputs for different combinations of applied inputs.
- The inputs and outputs of logic gates can occur only in two levels as HIGH and LOW, MARK and SPACE, TRUE and FALSE, ON and OFF, or simply 1 and 0.
- The function of each logic gate will be represented by Boolean expression.
- Logic gates are classified as
 - Basic Gates : NOT, AND, OR
 - Universal Gate : NAND, NOR
 - Special purpose Gate : EX-OR, EX-NOR
- A "truth table" is a means for describing how a logic circuit's output depends on the logic levels present at circuit's input.
- The number of output combinations will be 2^N for " N -input" truth table.

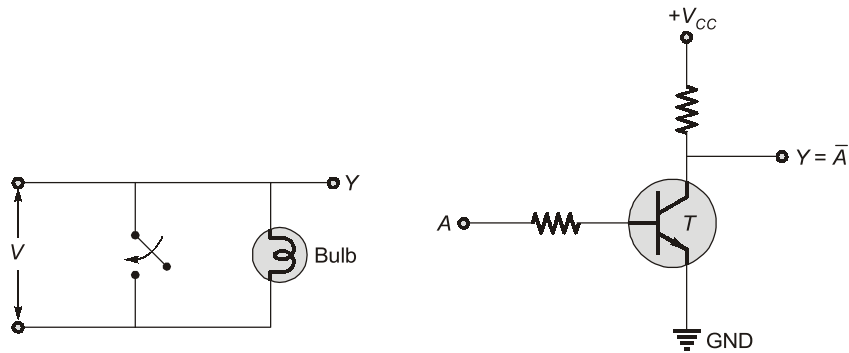
1.7.1 Basic Gates

1. The NOT Gate

- The NOT gate has a single input variable and a single output variable.
- The NOT operation is also referred to as 'INVERSION' or 'COMPLEMENTATION'.
- Thus, its output logic level is always opposite to the logic level of its input.



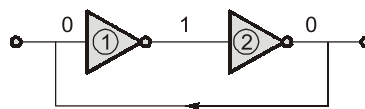
- The symbol of NOT operation is represented by '—' (bar) or (''). Therefore, for input A the output of the NOT gate is $Y = \bar{A} = A'$.
- The switching circuit and transistor circuit for a NOT gate are shown below.
 - ⇒ When switch A is open i.e. logic '0' then, the bulb glows (shows logic '1').
 - ⇒ When switch is closed i.e. logic '1' then, the bulb does not glow (shows logic '0').



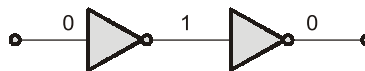
Similarly for transistor circuit

when, $A = 0 ; T = \text{OFF and } Y = +V_{CC}$
 $A = 1 ; T = \text{ON and } Y = \text{GND}$

- When even number of NOT gates/inverters are connected in feedback, it acts like a bistable multivibrator (basic memory element) as shown below.

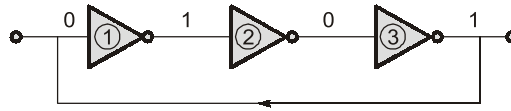


- Even number of NOT gates/inverters without feedback act like a buffer as shown below.



Note: Buffers are used to increase the driving capacity of a gate.

- Odd number of NOT gates/inverters connected in feedback act like an astable multivibrator or, a square wave generator, or a clock pulse generator or, a free running oscillator.



- If time taken by each gate to respond to the input is t_{pd} (propagation delay).

Then, for astable multivibrator, $T = 2 \times N t_{pd}$

where,

t_{pd} = Propagation delay time of inverter

T = Time period of a square wave generator

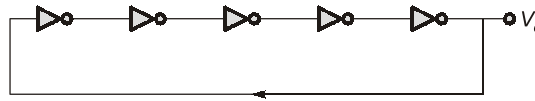
N = Number of inverters

and

$$\text{Frequency of oscillation} = \frac{1}{2N t_{pd}}$$



Example - 1.12 For the given ring oscillator, the propagation delay of each inverter is 100 pico sec. The fundamental frequency of the oscillator output is



- (a) 1 GHz
- (b) 2 GHz
- (c) 3 GHz
- (d) 4 GHz

Solution : (a)

Here,

$$N = 5$$

$$t_{pd} = 100 \times 10^{-12} \text{ sec.}$$

\therefore

$$f = \frac{1}{2N t_{pd}} = \frac{1}{2 \times 5 \times 100 \times 10^{-12}} = 1 \text{ GHz}$$

2. The AND Gate

- The AND gate can have two or more inputs but only one output.
- The logic symbol and the truth table of a two input AND gate are,

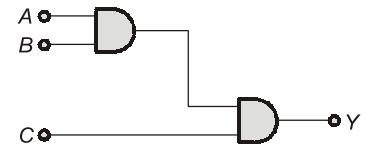


| Input | | Output |
|-------|---|--------|
| A | B | Y |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

- The logical expression is $Y = AB$
- It is clear from the truth table that, if all the inputs or any of the input is LOW (logic '0') the output is also at logic '0'. However the output is 1 only when all the inputs are 1.

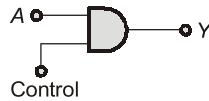
- AND gate follows both commutative and associative law as:

- (i) Commutative law: $AB = BA$
- (ii) Associative law: $ABC = (AB)C = A(BC)$



- Enable and disable inputs:**

For AND operations



If control = 0;

| A | Control | Y |
|---|---------|---|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |

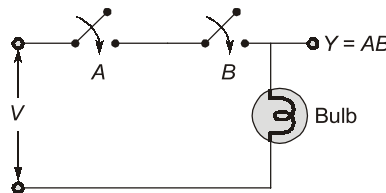
No change in the output, hence **logic '0'** is considered as **disable** input for AND gate.

If control = 1;

| A | Control | Y |
|---|---------|---|
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

Due to change in the input output also changes therefore **logic '1'** is **enable** input for AND gate.

- The switching circuit diagram of AND gate is shown in the figure below.



The bulb will glow only when both the switches A and B are closed or at logic '1'.

- The AND operation is performed exactly like ordinary multiplication of 1's and 0's.
- In multi input AND gate, the unused input can be connected to
 - (i) Logic '1' or pull up (enable)
 - (ii) One of the used input
 - (iii) Left open for TTL logic circuit

Out of these three procedure the best way is to connect the logic '1' or pull up.



Example - 1.13 Consider the logical functions given below.

$$f_1(A, B, C) = \Sigma(2, 3, 4)$$

$$f_2(A, B, C) = \pi(0, 1, 3, 6, 7)$$



If f is logic zero, then maximum number of possible minterms in function f_3 are

- (a) 3
- (b) 4
- (c) 5
- (d) 6

Solution : (d)

$$f_1(A, B, C) = \Sigma(2, 3, 4)$$

$$f_2(A, B, C) = \pi(0, 1, 3, 6, 7) = \Sigma(2, 4, 5); f_1 \cdot f_2 = \Sigma m(2, 4)$$

For function f to be zero, $f_3(A, B, C) = \overline{[f_1(A, B, C) \cap f_2(A, B, C)]} = \Sigma(0, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7)$

Maximum minterms possible are 6.

3. The OR Gate

- The OR gate can have two or more inputs but only one output. The logic symbol and the truth table for OR gate are,

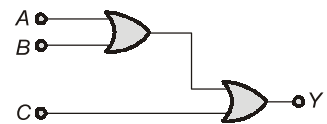


| Input | | Output |
|-------|---|--------|
| A | B | Y |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

- Thus, the logical expression is $Y = A + B$
- It is clear from the truth table that, if all the inputs or any of the input is high the output Y is HIGH. Where as if all the inputs are LOW then the output Y is low.
- OR gate follows both commutative and associative laws as:

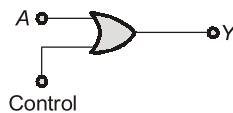
(i) Commutative law: $A + B = B + A$

(ii) Associative law: $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$



- Enable and disable inputs:**

For an OR gate



For control = 0;

| A | Control | Y |
|---|---------|---|
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |

The change in the input causes the change in the output hence, for OR gate logic '0' is an enable input.

For control = 1;

| A | Control | Y |
|---|---------|---|
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |

Due to change in the input, output remains the same therefore for OR gate logic '1' is a disable input.