

UNIT 3

BOOLEAN ALGEBRA (CONT'D)



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Boolean Algebra (cont'd)

- **Contents**
 - Multiplying out and factoring expressions
 - Exclusive-OR and Exclusive-NOR operations
 - The consensus theorem
 - Summary of algebraic simplification
 - Proving validity of an equation
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Objectives

- **In this unit, you will...**
 - ▣ Continue to learn Boolean algebra
 - Simplify, complement, multiply out and factor an expression
 - Prove any theorem in an algebraic way or using a truth table
 - ▣ Learn XOR

Guidelines for Multiplying Out and Factoring

□ Use

1. $X(Y + Z) = XY + XZ$
 2. $(X + Y)(X + Z) = X + YZ$
 3. $(X + Y)(X' + Z) = XZ + X'Y$
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- For **multiplying out**, apply 2. and 3. before 1. to avoid unnecessary terms
- For **factoring**, apply 1., 2., 3. from **right** terms to **left** terms

Proof?

1. $(X + Y)(X + Z) = X + YZ$

$$\begin{aligned} \square (X + Y)(X + Z) &= XX + XZ + YX + YZ \\ &= X + XZ + XY + YZ \\ &= X + XY + YZ = X + YZ \end{aligned}$$

□ Or,

$$\begin{aligned} X = 0, (0 + Y)(0 + Z) &= YZ & \Leftrightarrow & 0 + YZ = YZ \\ X = 1, (1 + Y)(1 + Z) &= 1 \bullet 1 = 1 & \Leftrightarrow & 1 + YZ = 1 \end{aligned}$$

2. $(X + Y)(X' + Z) = XZ + X'Y$

$$\begin{aligned} \square (X + Y)(X' + Z) &= \underline{XX'} + XZ + \underline{YX'} + YZ = 0 + XZ + X'Y + YZ \\ &= XZ + X'Y + (X' + X)YZ. \quad \circ \circ \quad \text{expand \& simplify} \\ &= XZ + X'Y + X'YZ + XYZ \\ &= XZ(1 + Y) + X'Y(1 + Z) = XZ + X'Y \end{aligned}$$

Factoring

1. $X(Y + Z) = XY + XZ$
2. $(X + Y)(X + Z) = X + YZ$
3. $(X + Y)(X' + Z) = XZ + X'Y$

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- Factoring: **SOP** \Rightarrow **POS**
- Example: **$AC + A'BD' + A'BE + A'C'DE$**

$$= \underline{A} \underline{C} + \underline{A'}(\underline{BD'} + \underline{BE} + \underline{C'DE})$$

$$= XZ + X'Y \qquad = (X + Y)(X' + Z)$$

$$= (A + BD' + BE + C'DE)(A' + C)$$

$$= [\underline{A + C'DE} + \underline{B(D' + E)}](A' + C)$$

$$= [\quad X + YZ \quad](A' + C) = (X + Y)(X + Z)(A' + C)$$

$$= (\underline{A + C'DE + B})(A + \cancel{C'DE} + D' + E)(A' + C)$$

$$= (A + B + C)(A + B + D)(A + B + E)(A + D' + E)(A' + C)$$

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XOR and XNOR

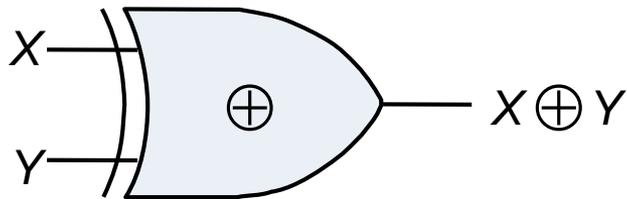
Difference and equivalence

Operation – Exclusive-OR

□ Exclusive-OR (XOR) (\oplus)

□ $0 \oplus 0 = 0, 0 \oplus 1 = 1, 1 \oplus 0 = 1, 1 \oplus 1 = 0$

□ Symbol



□ Truth table

X	Y	$X \oplus Y$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

← check difference of inputs

□ Boolean expression: $X \oplus Y = X'Y + XY'$

show the condition to make output == 1

Exclusive-OR Operations

□ $X \oplus Y = X'Y + XY'$

□ **Useful theorems:**

□ $X \oplus 0 = X$ □ $X \oplus Y = Y \oplus X$ (commutative)

□ $X \oplus 1 = X'$ □ $(X \oplus Y) \oplus Z = X \oplus (Y \oplus Z) = X \oplus Y \oplus Z$ (associative)

□ $X \oplus X = 0$ □ $X(Y \oplus Z) = XY \oplus XZ$ (distributive)

□ $X \oplus X' = 1$ □ $(X \oplus Y)' = X \oplus Y' = X' \oplus Y = X'Y' + XY$

□ Prove distributive law?

$$\begin{aligned} XY \oplus XZ &= XY(XZ)' + (XY)'XZ \text{ (by definition)} \\ &= XY(X' + Z') + (X' + Y')XZ \text{ (DeMorgan)} \\ &= XYZ' + XY'Z \\ &= X(YZ' + Y'Z) \\ &= X(Y \oplus Z) \end{aligned}$$

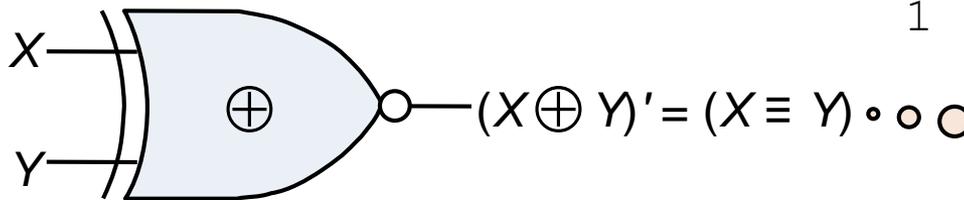
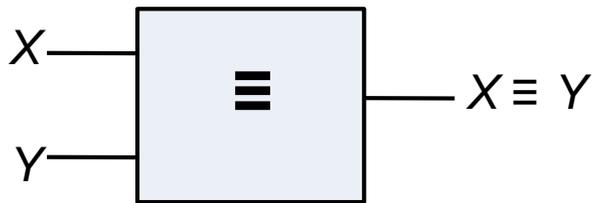
(difference)' == equivalence

Operation – Exclusive-NOR

□ Exclusive-NOR (XNOR) (\equiv)

□ $0 \equiv 0 = 1, 0 \equiv 1 = 0, 1 \equiv 0 = 0, 1 \equiv 1 = 1$

□ Symbol



□ Truth table

X	Y	$X \equiv Y$	$(X \oplus Y)'$
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0
1	1	1	1

check
equivalence
of inputs

(difference)' ==
equivalence

□ Boolean expression: $X \equiv Y = X'Y' + XY$

show the condition to
make output == 1

Simplification of XOR and XNOR

- $X \oplus Y = X'Y + XY'$
 $X \equiv Y = X'Y' + XY$
 $(X'Y + XY) = X'Y' + XY$
- e.g., $F = (A'B \equiv C) + (B \oplus AC)$
 $= [A'BC + (A'B)'C] + [B'AC' + B(AC)']$
 $= A'BC + (A + B)C' + B'AC' + B(A' + C)$
 $= A'BC + AC' + B'C' + B'AC' + A'B + BC$
 $= B(A'C + A' + C) + C'(A + B' + AB)$
 $= B(A' + C) + C'(A + B')$ (can be further simplified!)
- e.g., $F = A' \oplus B \oplus C$
 $= (A'B' + AB) \oplus C$
 $= (A'B' + AB)C' + (A'B' + AB)'C$
 $= A'B'C' + ABC' + A'BC + AB'C$

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The Consensus Theorem

Redundancy removal

The Consensus Theorem

□ $XY + X'Z + YZ = XY + X'Z$ (YZ is redundant)

□ Proof: $XY + X'Z + YZ = XY + X'Z + (X + X')YZ$

$$= (XY + XYZ) + (X'Z + X'YZ)$$
$$= XY(1 + Z) + X'Z(1 + Y) = XY + X'Z$$

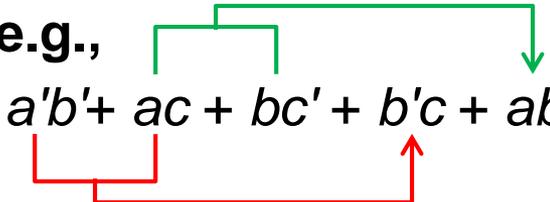
□ **How to find consensus terms?**

1. Find a pair of terms, one of which contains a variable and the other contains its complement

$$A'C'D + \underline{A'BD} + \underline{BCD} + \underline{ABC} + ACD' \quad (A \leftrightarrow A')$$

2. Ignore the variable and its complement; the left variables composite the consensus term

$$(\underline{A'BD}) + (\underline{ABC}) \Rightarrow \underline{BD} \bullet \underline{BC} = \underline{BCD} \text{ (redundant term)}$$

□ e.g., 

$$a'b' + ac + bc' + b'c + ab = a'b' + ac + bc'$$

Ordering Does Matter!

□ e.g., $A'C'D + A'BD + BCD + ABC + ACD'$

□ $A'C'D + \underline{A'BD} + \underline{BCD} + \underline{ABC} + ACD'$



$$= A'C'D + A'BD + ABC + ACD'$$

⇒ 4 terms

□ $A'C'D + A'BD + \underline{BCD} + \underline{ABC} + ACD'$

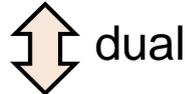


$$= A'C'D + BCD + ACD'$$

⇒ Only 3 terms!

Dual Form of the Consensus Theorem

□ $XY + X'Z + YZ = XY + X'Z \Rightarrow YZ$ is redundant



□ $(X + Y)(X' + Z)(Y + Z) = (X + Y)(X' + Z) \Rightarrow (Y + Z)$ is redundant

□ e.g.,

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

$$(a + b + c') + (b + c + d') \Rightarrow a + b + b + d' = a + b + d'$$

Redundancy Injection

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□ e.g., $ABCD + B'CDE + A'B' + BCE'$

□ Find consensus terms

$$ABCD + B'CDE \Rightarrow ACDE$$

$$ABCD + A'B' \Rightarrow BGD(B') + (AGD)A'$$

$$B'CDE + BCE' \Rightarrow CDE(CE') + B'CD(BG)$$

$$A'B' + BCE' \Rightarrow A'CE'$$

□ Add consensus term $ACDE$

$$ABCD + B'CDE + \underline{A'B'} + \underline{BCE'} + \underline{ACDE}$$
$$= A'B' + BCE' + ACDE$$

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Summary of Algebraic Simplification

Simplification can reduce cost

Rule A -- Combining Terms

- $XY + XY' = X(Y + Y') = X$
- e.g.,
 - $abc'd' + abcd' = abd'$ ($X = abd'$, $Y = c$)
 - $ab'c + abc + a'bc = ab'c + abc + abc + a'bc$ (repeat term)
 $= ac + bc$
 - $(a + bc)(d + e) + a'(b' + c)(d + e) = d + e'$ (why?? DeMorgan)

Rule B -- Eliminating Terms

1. $X + XY = X$ (keep the boss)
 2. $XY + X'Z + YZ = XY + X'Z$ (consensus)
- e.g.,
- $a'b + a'bc = a'b$ ($X = a'b$)
 - $a'bc' + bcd + a'bd = a'bc' + bcd$ ($X = c$, $Y = bd$, $Z = a'b$)

Rule C -- Eliminating Literals

- $X + X'Y = (X + X')(X + Y) = X + Y$
- e.g.,
 - $A'B + A'B'C'D' + ABCD'$
 $= A'(B + B'C'D') + ABCD'$ (common term: A')
 $= A'(B + C'D') + ABCD'$ (Rule C)
 $= A'B + A'C'D' + ABCD'$
 $= B(A' + ACD') + A'C'D'$ (common term: B)
 $= B(A' + CD') + A'C'D'$ (Rule C)
 $= A'B + BCD' + A'C'D'$ (final terms)

Rule D -- Adding Redundant Terms

1. $Y = Y + XX'$

2. $Y = Y(X + X')$

3. $XY + X'Z = XY + X'Z + YZ$ ○ ○ ○

4. $X = X + XY$



Add redundancy to
eliminate other terms

□ e.g.,

□ $WX + XY + X'Z' + WY'Z'$

$= WX + XY + X'Z' + WY'Z' + WZ'$ (add WZ' by consensus thm)

$= WX + XY + X'Z' + WZ'$ (eliminate $WY'Z'$ by WZ')

$= WX + XY + X'Z'$ (consensus again)

Another Example

- $A'B'C'D' + A'BC'D' + A'BD + A'BC'D + ABCD + ACD' + B'CD'$
= ... (Apply rules A, B, C, D)
= $A'C'D' + A'BD + B'CD' + ABC$

- **No easy way to determine when a Boolean expression has a minimum # of terms or literals**
 - ▣ Systematic way will be discussed in Unit 5 & Unit 6

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Proving Validity of an Equation

How to Determine if an Equation Valid?

1. Construct a **truth table** (proof by cases)
2. Manipulate one side until it is identical to the other side
3. Reduce both sides independently to the same expression
4. Perform the same operation on both sides **if the operation is reversible** (**Boolean algebra \neq ordinary algebra**)
 - ▣ Complement is reversible
 - ▣ Multiplication/division and addition/subtraction are not reversible
 - $x+y = x+z$ does not imply $y=z$ (e.g., $x=1, y=0, z=1$)
 - $xy = xz$ does not imply $y=z$ (e.g., $x=0, y=0, z=1$)
 - ▣ **Using 2. and 3., usually...**
 1. Reduce both sides to (minimum) SOP or POS
 2. Compare both sides
 3. Try to add or delete terms by using theorems

Example

□ Show that $A'BD' + BCD + ABC' + AB'D = BC'D' + AD + A'BC$

□ By the consensus theorem,

$$A'BD' + BCD + ABC' + AB'D$$
$$= A'BD' + BCD + ABC' + AB'D + A'BC + BC'D' + ABD$$

$$= AD + A'BD' + BCD + ABC' + A'BC + BC'D'$$

$$= AD + A'BC + BC'D'$$

One More Example

□ Show that $A'BC'D + (A' + BC)(A + C'D) + BC'D + A'BC'$
 $= ABCD + A'C'D' + ABD + ABCD' + BC'D$

1. Reduce the left side:

$$\begin{aligned} & A'BC'D + (A' + BC)(A + C'D) + BC'D + A'BC' \\ &= (A' + BC)(A + C'D) + BC'D + A'BC' \\ &= A'C'D' + ABC + BC'D + A'BC' \text{ (multiplying out)} \\ &= A'C'D' + ABC + BC'D \text{ (consensus)} \end{aligned}$$

2. Reduce the right side:

$$\begin{aligned} & ABCD + A'C'D' + ABD + ABCD' + BC'D \\ &= ABC + A'C'D' + ABD + BC'D \\ &= ABC + A'C'D' + BC'D \text{ (consensus)} \end{aligned}$$

3. Because both sides were independently reduced to the same expression, the original equation is valid.