BME2322 – Logic Design

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LECTURE 4

Functional Specifications

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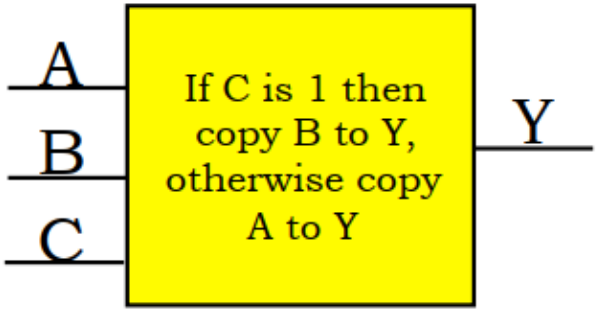

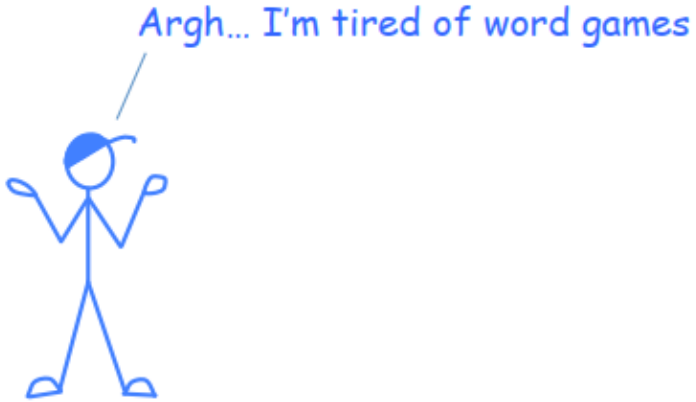

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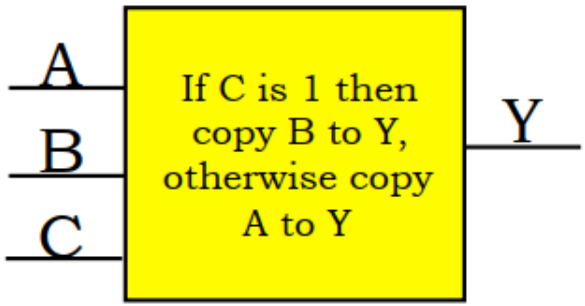
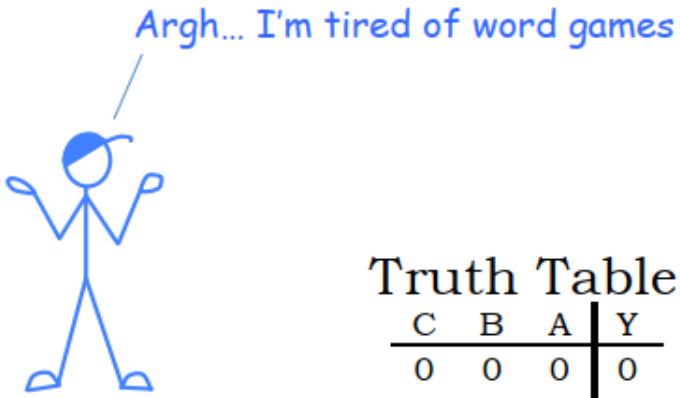




Truth Table

C	B	A	Y
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

Concise alternatives:

- *truth tables* are a concise description of the combinational system's function.
- *Boolean expressions* form an algebra whose operations are AND (multiplication), OR (addition), and inversion (overbar).

$$Y = \bar{C} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot A + \bar{C}BA + CB\bar{A} + CBA$$

Any combinational (Boolean) function can be specified as a truth table or an equivalent sum-of-products Boolean expression!

Boolean Algebra

A **Boolean algebra *B*** is a finite set over which two binary operations + (sum) and · (product) and satisfy five postulates.

Boolean Algebra Postulates

P 1 - Operations + and · are internal: $\forall a,b \in B, \quad a+b \in B \; y \; a \cdot b \in B$

P 2 – To each operation corresponds a **neutral element:** $\forall a \in B, \quad a+0=a, \quad a \cdot 1 = a$

P 3 – To each element corresponds an **inverse element:** $\forall a \in B, \exists \; \overline{a} \in B \mid a+\overline{a}=1, \quad a \cdot \overline{a} = 0$

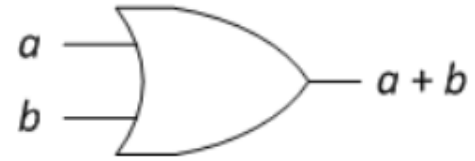
P 4 – Operations + and · are **commutative:** $a+b=b+a, \quad a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

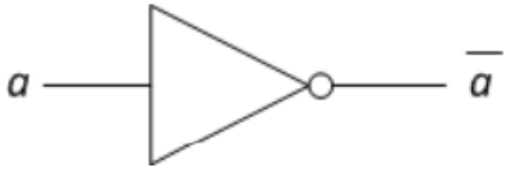
P 5 –Operations + and · are **distributive:** $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c, \quad a+b \cdot c = (a+b) \cdot (a+c)$

Boolean Algebra

The set {0, 1} is a Boolean algebra if the operations are defined as follows:

$a\ b$	$a \cdot b$	$a + b$	$\overline{a}$
0 0	0	0	1
0 1	0	1	1
1 0	0	1	0
1 1	1	1	0





Boolean Algebra (distributive rule)

Example: check that $a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$

$a\ b$	$a \cdot b$	$a + b$	$\overline{a}$
0 0	0	0	1
0 1	0	1	1
1 0	0	1	0
1 1	1	1	0

$a\ b\ c$	$b+c$	$a \cdot (b+c)$	$a \cdot b$	$a \cdot c$	$a \cdot b + a \cdot c$
0 0 0	0	0	0	0	0
0 0 1	1	0	0	0	0
0 1 0	1	0	0	0	0
0 1 1	1	0	0	0	0
1 0 0	0	0	0	0	0
1 0 1	1	1	0	1	1
1 1 0	1	1	1	0	1
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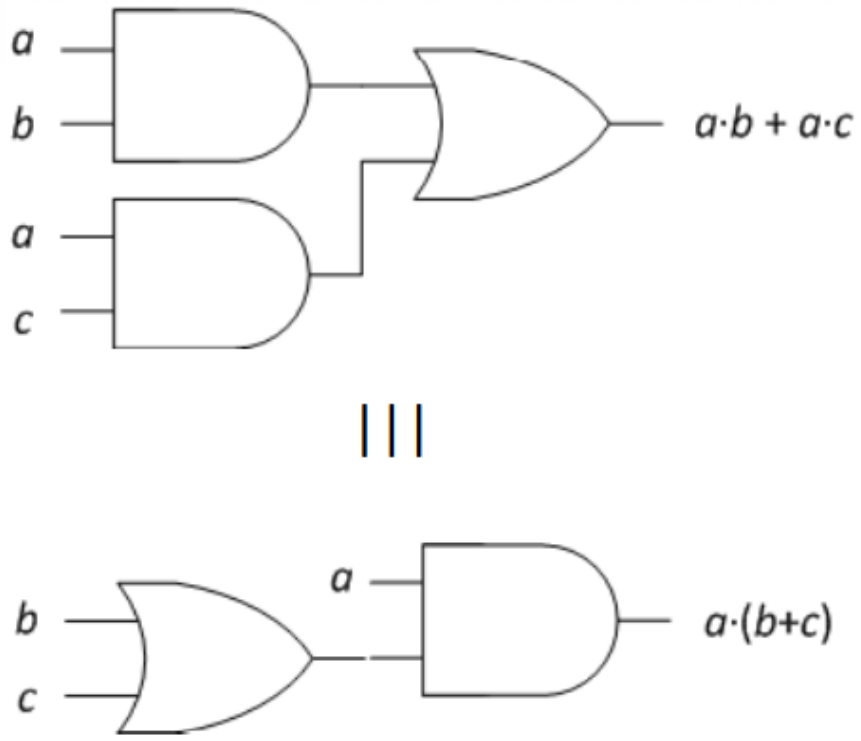
Comment:

$a \cdot (b+c) = a \cdot b + a \cdot c$ =>



Some useful properties

1 – Neutral element properties: $\bar{0}=1, \quad \bar{1}=0$

2 – Idempotence: $a+a=a, \quad a\cdot a=a$

$a = a + 0 = a + (a \cdot \bar{a}) = (a + a)\cdot(a + \bar{a}) =$
$(a + a)\cdot 1 = a + a$

P1 - $\forall a,b\in B, \quad a+b\in B \; y \; a\cdot b\in B$

P2 - $\forall a\in B, \quad a+0=a, \quad a\cdot 1=a$

P3 - $\forall a\in B, \exists \bar{a}\in B \mid a+\bar{a}=1, \quad a\cdot\bar{a}=0$

P4 - $a+b=b+a, \quad a\cdot b=b\cdot a$

P5 - $a\cdot(b+c)=a\cdot b+a\cdot c, \quad a+b\cdot c=(a+b)\cdot(a+c)$

Some useful properties - Exercise

Demonstrate that $a \cdot a = a$

Hint: Use the second part of P2, P3 and P5.

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$a = a \cdot 1 = a \cdot (a + \bar{a}) = (a \cdot a) + (a \cdot \bar{a}) =$
$(a \cdot a) + 0 = a \cdot a$

$a = a + 0 = a + (a \cdot \bar{a}) = (a + a) \cdot (a + \bar{a}) =$
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1 – Neutral element properties: $\bar{0}=1, \quad \bar{1}=0$

2 – Idempotence: $a+a=a, \quad a\cdot a=a$

3 – Involution: $\bar{\bar{a}}=a$

4 – Asociativity: $a+(b+c)=(a+b)+c, \quad a\cdot(b\cdot c)=(a\cdot b)\cdot c$

5 – Absortion law: $a+a\cdot b=a, \quad a\cdot(a+b)=a$

6 - (nameless): $a+\bar{a}\cdot b=a+b, \quad a\cdot(\bar{a}+b)=a\cdot b$

7 - de Morgan law: $\overline{(a+b)}=\bar{a}\cdot\bar{b}, \quad \overline{a\cdot b}=\bar{a}+\bar{b}$

8 – generalized de Morgan law: $\overline{(a_1+a_2+\ldots+a_n)}=\bar{a}_1\cdot\bar{a}_2\cdot\ldots\cdot\bar{a}_n, \quad \overline{a_1\cdot a_2\cdot\ldots\cdot a_n}=\bar{a}_1+\bar{a}_2+\ldots+\bar{a}_n$

Boolean functions and truth tables

Any Boolean function can be explicitely defined by a truth table

$f(a,b,c) = b.\bar{c} + \bar{a}.b$

$a\ b\ c$	$\bar{c}$	$b \cdot \bar{c}$	$\bar{a}$	$\bar{a} \cdot b$	f
0 0 0	1	0	1	0	0
0 0 1	0	0	1	0	0
0 1 0	1	1	1	1	1
0 1 1	0	0	1	1	1
1 0 0	1	0	0	0	0
1 0 1	0	0	0	0	0
1 1 0	1	1	0	0	1
1 1 1	0	0	0	0	0

Boolean functions and truth tables

Given a truth table can we find an equivalent Boolean function?...

Answer is YES

LITERAL

A variable or an inverted variable : $a, \overline{a}, b, \overline{b}, c, \overline{c}, \ldots$

n-variable **MINTERM**

A product of *n* literals such that each variable appears only once. Example: if *n*=3, there are eight *minterms*.

$$a.b.c,\ a.b.\overline{c},\ a.\overline{b}.c,\ a.\overline{b}.\overline{c},\ \overline{a}.b.c,\ \overline{a}.b.\overline{c},\ \overline{a}.\overline{b}.c,\ \overline{a}.\overline{b}.\overline{c}$$

Boolean functions and truth tables

Given a **MINTERM** *m*, there is one, an only one, set of variable values such that *m* = 1.

With *n* = 3:

		a	b	c	
$\bar{a}.\bar{b}.\bar{c}=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	0	0	0	$\rightarrow m_0=\bar{a}.\bar{b}.\bar{c}$
$\bar{a}.\bar{b}.c=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	0	0	1	$\rightarrow m_1=\bar{a}.\bar{b}.c$
$\bar{a}.b.\bar{c}=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	0	1	0	$\rightarrow m_2=\bar{a}.b.\bar{c}$
$\bar{a}.b.c=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	0	1	1	$\rightarrow m_3=\bar{a}.b.c$
$a.\bar{b}.\bar{c}=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	1	0	0	$\rightarrow m_4=a.\bar{b}.\bar{c}$
$a.\bar{b}.c=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	1	0	1	$\rightarrow m_5=a.\bar{b}.c$
$a.b.\bar{c}=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	1	1	0	$\rightarrow m_6=a.b.\bar{c}$
$a.b.c=1$	$\Leftrightarrow$	1	1	1	$\rightarrow m_7=a.b.c$

From Truth Table to Boolean Function

MINTERMS of an *n*-variable Boolean function *f* ?

= *minterms* that correspond to the 1s of *f*.

a	*b*	*c*	*f(a,b,c)*
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

From Truth Table to Boolean Function

Canonical sum of products **representation** of an *n*-variable Boolean function.

Any Boolean function can be represented by the sum of its *minterm*.

$$f(a,b,c) = \Sigma(m_2, m_3, m_6)$$

$$f(a,b,c) = \bar{a}.b.\bar{c} + \bar{a}.b.c + a.b.\bar{c}$$

a	b	c	$f(a,b,c)$	
0	0	0	0	
0	0	1	0	
0	1	0	1	$\rightarrow m_2 = \bar{a}.b.\bar{c}$
0	1	1	1	$\rightarrow m_3 = \bar{a}.b.c$
1	0	0	0	
1	0	1	0	
1	1	0	1	$\rightarrow m_6 = a.b.\bar{c}$
1	1	1	0	

From Truth Table to Boolean Function

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if ((a=1 and b=1 and c=0) or (a=0 and b=1)) then f=1;
                else f=0;
end if;
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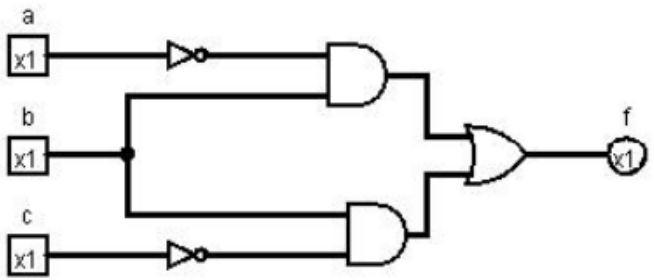

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0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
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1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
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$$f(a,b,c) = \bar{a}.b.\bar{c} + \bar{a}.b.c + a.b.\bar{c} =$$
$$= \bar{a}.b(\bar{c}+c) + b.\bar{c}.(\bar{a}+a) = \bar{a}.b + b.\bar{c}$$

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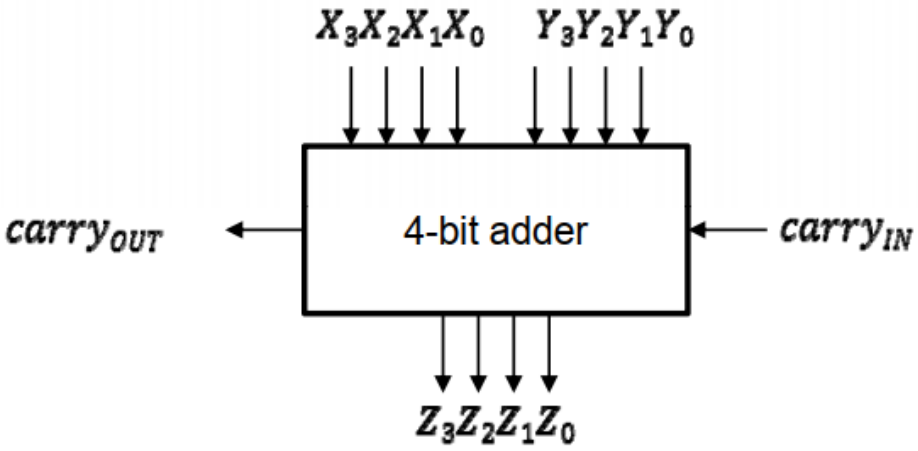
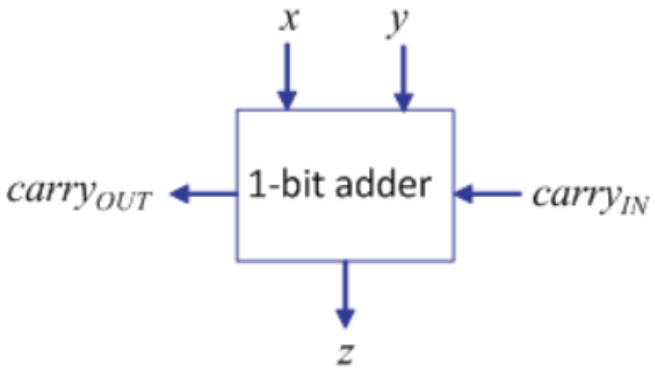
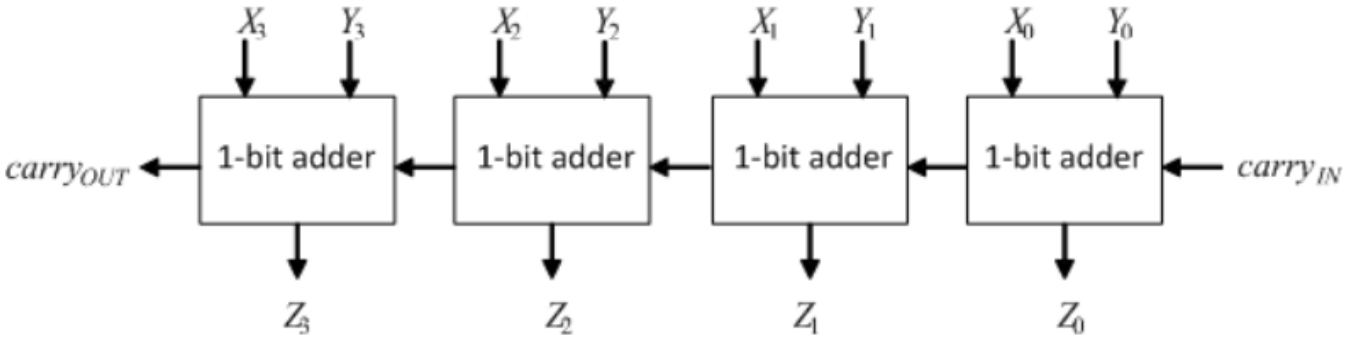
Example: 4 bit-adder







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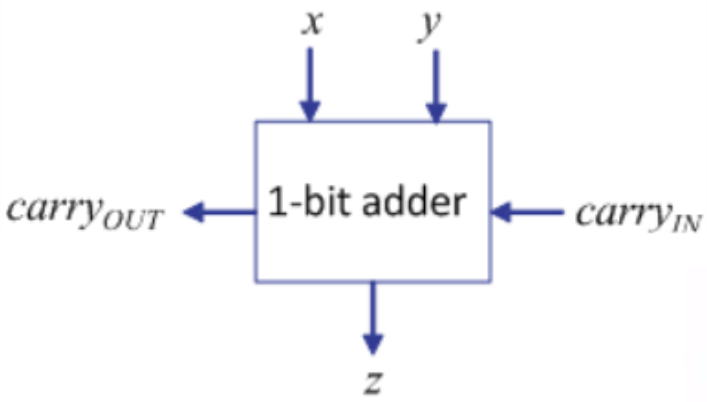


x	y	c_i	c_o	z
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1

$$c_0 = \bar{x}yc_i + x\bar{y}c_i + xy\bar{c}_i + xyc_i$$

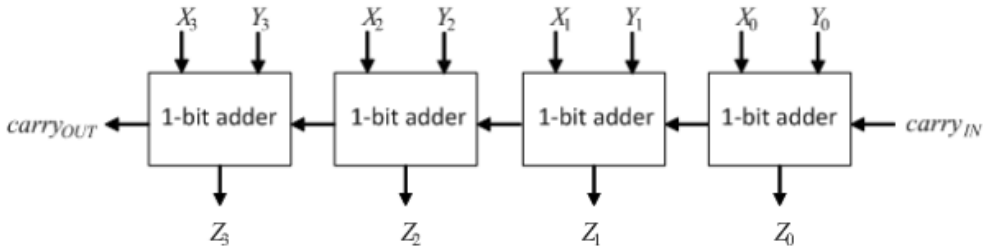
$$(\bar{x}+x)yc_i$$

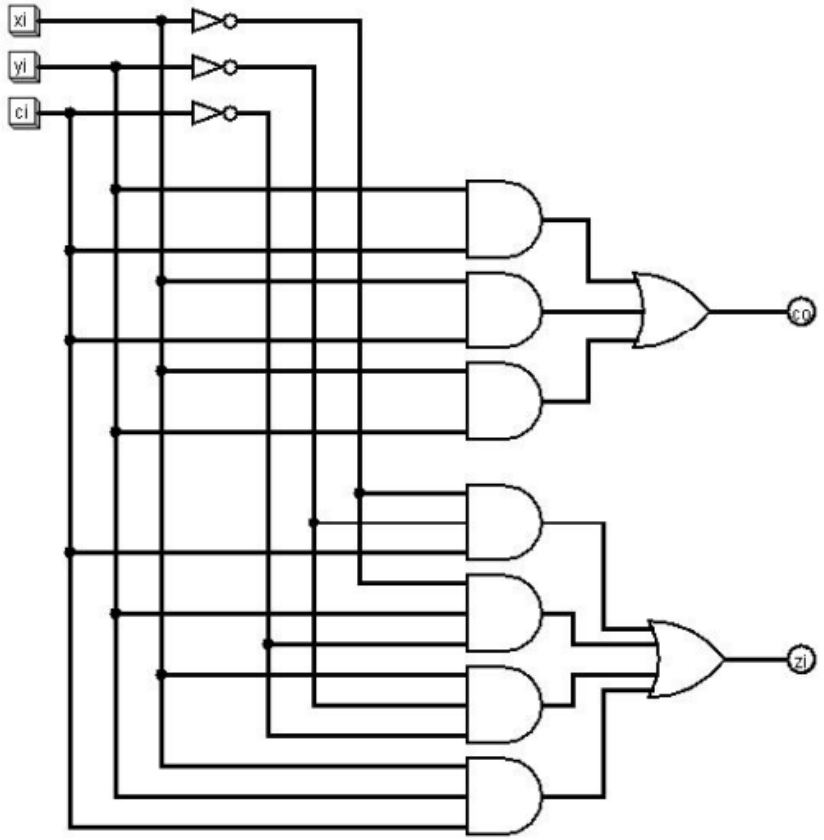
$$yc_i + xc_i + xy$$

Example: 4 bit-adder

$$c_o = y.\,c_i + x.\,c_i + x.y$$

$$z = \bar{x}.\bar{y}.\,c_i + \bar{x}.y.\overline{c_i} + x.\bar{y}.\overline{c_i} + x.y.c_i$$

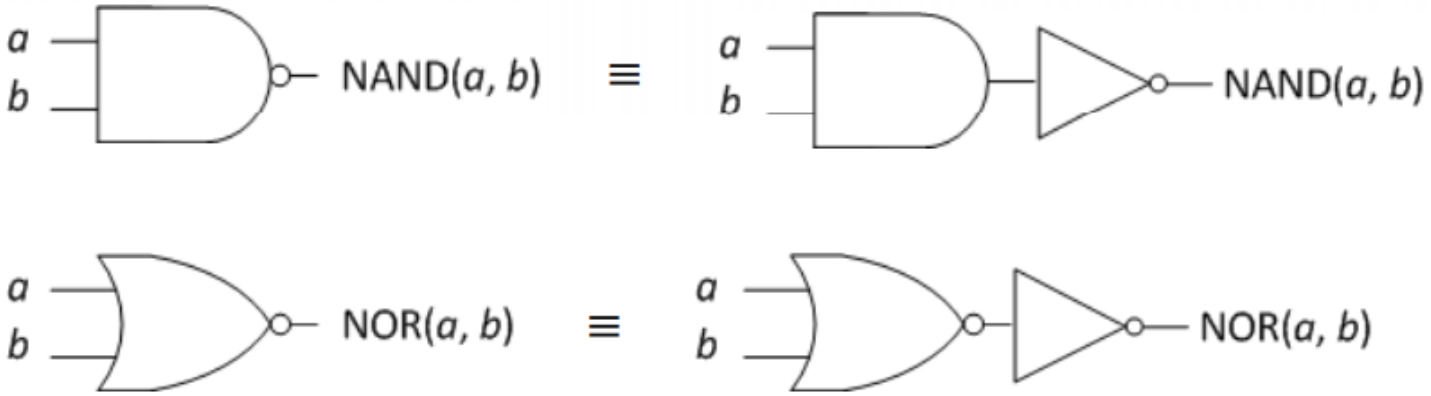




Circuit generation from a functional description:

(functional description → truth table → Boolean function(s) → circuit)

NAND – NOR Gates



a b	NAND(a,b)	NOR(a,b)
0 0	1	1
0 1	1	0
1 0	1	0
1 1	0	0

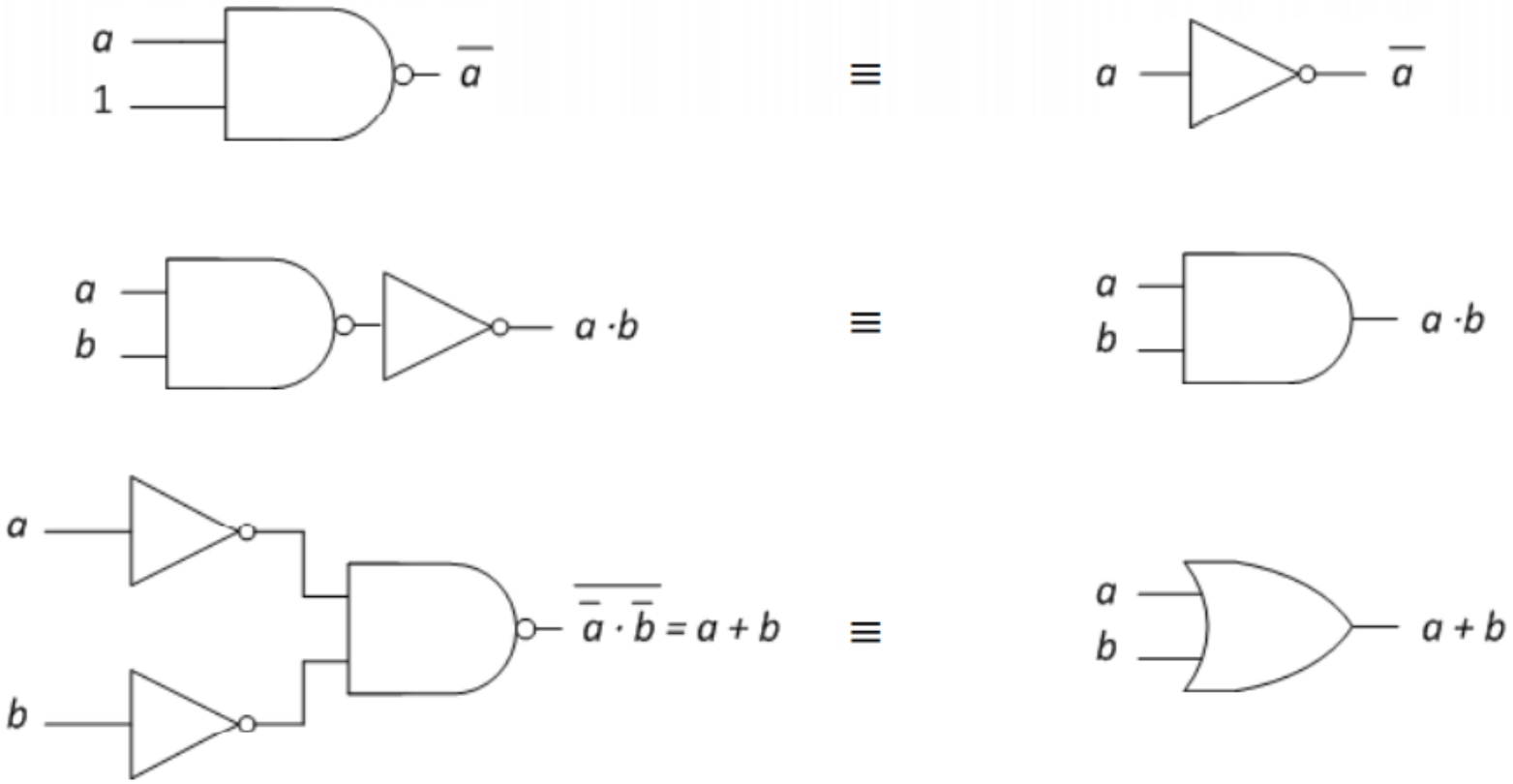
Algebraic symbols:

$NAND(a, b) = a \uparrow b$,

$NOR(a, b) = a \downarrow b$.

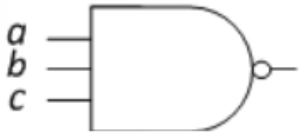
NAND – NOR Gates

NAND and NOR gates are **universal modules**. For example, with NAND gates:

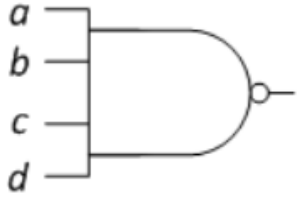


NAND – NOR Gates

3-input, 4-input, ⋯ NAND and NOR gates can be defined:



NAND(a, b, c) = 0 iff a = b = c = 1



NAND(a, b, c, d) = 0 iff a = b = c = d = 1

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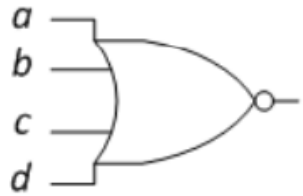
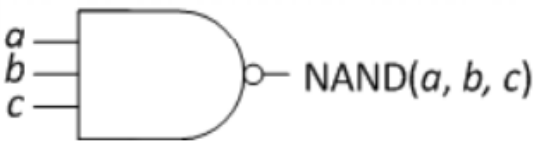
NOR(a, b, c) = 0 iff (a = 1) OR (b = 1) OR (c = 1)



NOR(a, b, c, d) = 0 iff (a = 1) OR (b = 1) OR (c = 1) OR (d = 1)

NAND – NOR Gates

BUT NAND and NOR **are not associative operations**. In particular:



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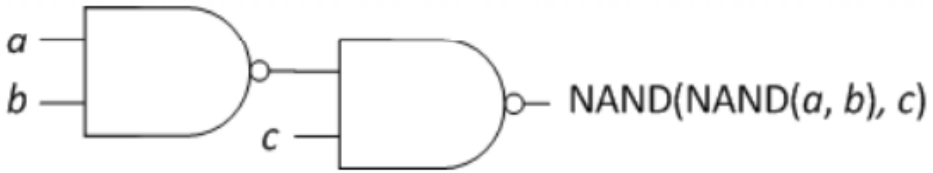
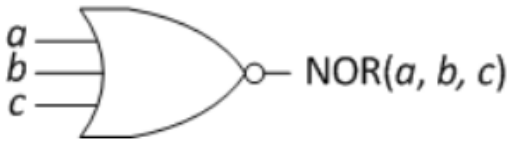


NAND(1, 1, 1) = 0

NAND(NAND(1, 1), 1) = NAND(0, 1) = 1



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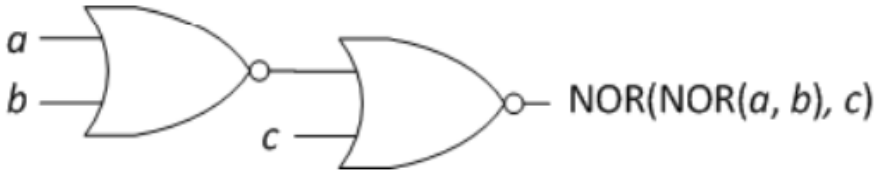


NOR(0, 0, 0) = 1

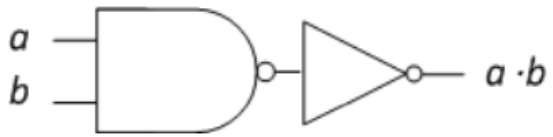
NOR(NOR(0, 0), 0) = NOR (1, 0) = 0

Why NAND (or NOR) Gates?

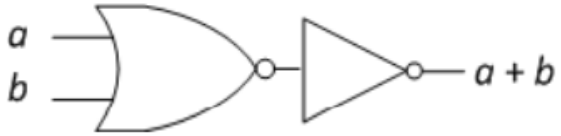
Why do we use NAND gates (or NOR gates) instead of AND and OR gates?

- If we use "of the shelf" components (laboratory) we only need one type of gate.
- In CMOS technology

  - an AND gate is implemented with a NAND and an INV,

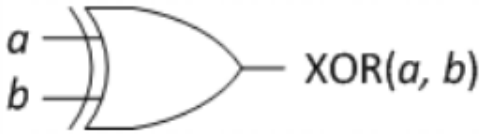


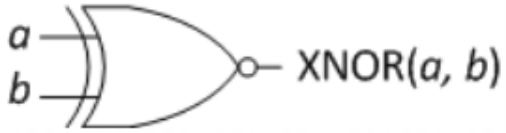
  - an OR gate is implemented with a NOR and an INV.



=> Within an IC (Integrated Circuit) NAND and NOR are "cheaper" than AND and OR.

XOR – XNOR Gates





a b	XOR(*a*,*b*)	XNOR(*a*,*b*)
0 0	0	1
0 1	1	0
1 0	1	0
1 1	0	1

XOR (= eXclusive OR): XOR(*a, b*) = 1 if $a \neq b$;

XNOR (= eXclusive NOR): XNOR(*a, b*) = 1 if $a = b$.

Algebraic symbols:

XOR(*a, b*) = $a \oplus b$,

(XNOR(*a, b*) = $a \equiv b$)

XOR – XNOR Gates

Equivalent definition:

$XOR(a, b) = (a + b) \bmod 2 = a \oplus b$,

$XNOR(a, b) = INV(a \oplus b)$.

=> 3-input, 4-input, ⋯ XOR and XNOR gates can be defined:

$XOR(a, b, c) = (a + b + c) \bmod 2 = a \oplus b \oplus c$, $XNOR(a, b, c) = INV(a \oplus b \oplus c)$,

$XOR(a, b, c, d) = (a + b + c + d) \bmod 2 = a \oplus b \oplus c \oplus d$, $XNOR(a, b, c, d) = INV(a \oplus b \oplus c \oplus d)$,

...

XOR is an associative operation =>

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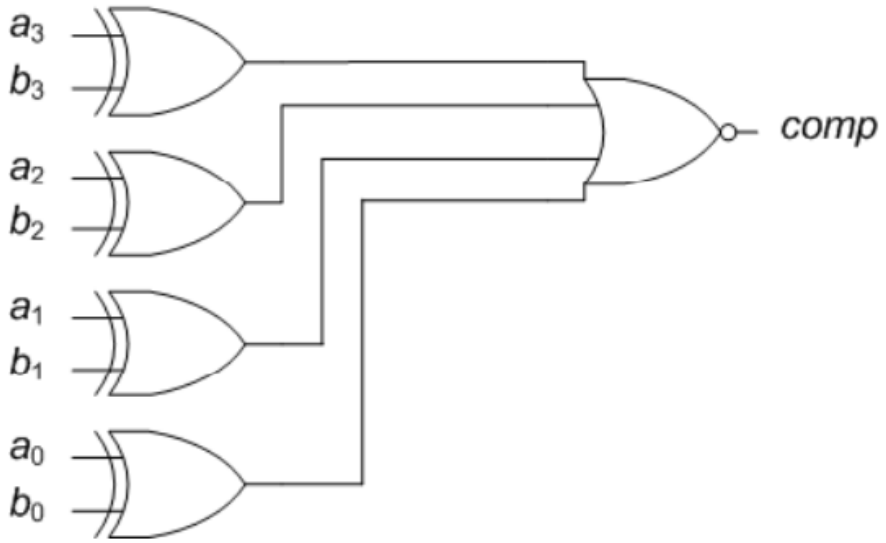
- XOR y NXOR are **not universal modules,**
- **useful functions.**

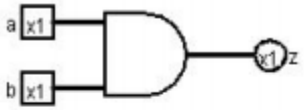
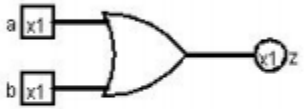
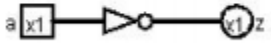
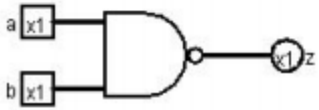
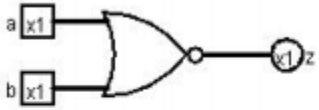
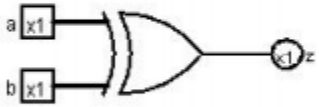
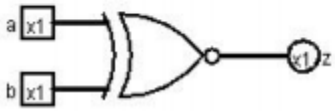
First example: magnitud comparator. Given two 4-input vectors $a = a_3\,a_2\,a_1\,a_0$ and $b = b_3\,b_2\,b_1\,b_0$, generate *comp* = 1 iff $a = b$.

Algorithm

if $(a_3 \neq b_3)$ or $(a_2 \neq b_2)$ or $(a_1 \neq b_1)$ or $(a_0 \neq b_0)$
then *comp* <= 0;
else *comp* <= 1;
end if;



Summary

AND		$z = a.b$
OR		$z = a + b$
INV		$z = \bar{a}$
NAND		$z = a \uparrow b = \overline{a.b}$
NOR		$z = a \downarrow b = \overline{a + b}$
XOR		$z = a \oplus b = \bar{a}.b + a.\bar{b}$
XNOR		$z = \overline{a \oplus b} = \bar{a}.\bar{b} + a.b$