

Logic Functions and Symbols

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6.5 BOOLEAN ALGEBRA

In formulating mathematical expressions for logic circuits, it is important to have knowledge of Boolean algebra, which defines the rules for expressing and simplifying binary logic statements. The basic Boolean laws and identities follow. A bar over a symbol indicates the Boolean operation NOT, which corresponds to inversion of a signal.

Boolean Algebra Laws and Identities

Fundamental Laws

OR	AND	NOT
$A + 0 = A$	$A \cdot 0 = 0$	
$A + 1 = 1$	$A \cdot 1 = A$	$\overline{\overline{A}} = A$ (double inversion)
$A + \overline{A} = 1$	$A \cdot \overline{A} = 0$	

Commutative Laws

$$A + B = B + A \quad (6.11)$$

$$A \cdot B = B \cdot A \quad (6.12)$$

Associative Laws

$$(A + B) + C = A + (B + C) \quad (6.13)$$

$$(A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C) \quad (6.14)$$

Distributive Laws

$$A \cdot (B + C) = (A \cdot B) + (A \cdot C) \quad (6.15)$$

$$A + (B \cdot C) = (A + B) \cdot (A + C) \quad (6.16)$$

Other Useful Identities

$$A + (A \cdot B) = A \quad (6.17)$$

$$A \cdot (A + B) = A \quad (6.18)$$

$$A + (\overline{A} \cdot B) = A + B \quad (6.19)$$

$$(A + B) \cdot (A + \overline{B}) = A \quad (6.20)$$

$$(A + B) \cdot (A + C) = A + (B \cdot C) \quad (6.21)$$

$$A + B + (A \cdot \overline{B}) = A + B \quad (6.22)$$

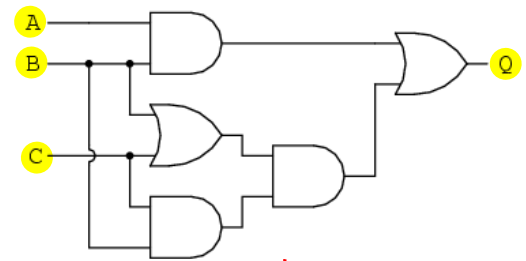
$$(A \cdot B) + (B \cdot C) + (\overline{B} \cdot C) = (A \cdot B) + C \quad (6.23)$$

$$(A \cdot B) + (A \cdot C) + (\overline{B} \cdot C) = (A \cdot B) + (\overline{B} \cdot C) \quad (6.24)$$

De Morgan's

$$\overline{A + B + C + \dots} = \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \dots$$

$$\overline{A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \dots} = \overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C} + \dots$$



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