



Faculty of Engineering

CSE115: Digital Design

**Lecture 5:
Boolean Switching Algebra**

Suggested Reading

- [Section 4.1](#)

Boolean ('Switching') Algebra

- **Boolean values:** 0, 1
- **Positive-logic convention:** analog voltages LOW, HIGH \rightarrow 0, 1
- **Signal values:** denoted by variables (**X**, **Y**, **FRANK**, etc.)
- **Complement:** X' (opposite of **X**)
- **AND:** $X \cdot Y$
- **OR:** $X + Y$
- **Literal:** a variable or its complement: **X**, **X'**, **FRANK'**
- **Expression:** literals combined by AND, OR, parentheses
 $(A \cdot B' \cdot C + Q5) \cdot \text{RESET}'$
- **Equation:** Variable = expression
 $P = ((\text{FRANK} \cdot Z') + (A \cdot B' \cdot C + Q5) \cdot \text{RESET}'$

Basic Axioms

- A variable can take only one of two values (**0,1**)
(A1) **$X = 0$ if $X \neq 1$** (A1') **$X = 1$ if $X \neq 0$**

- **NOT** operation (The complement Operation):
(A2) **If $X = 0$ then $X \neq 1$** (A2') **If $X = 1$ then $X \neq 0$**

- **AND** and **OR** operations (Multiplication and Addition):
(A3) **$0 \cdot 0 = 0$** (A3') **$0 + 0 = 0$**
(A4) **$1 \cdot 1 = 1$** (A4') **$1 + 1 = 1$**
(A5) **$0 \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot 0 = 0$** (A5') **$1 + 0 = 0 + 1 = 1$**

Theorems - Single Variable

- **Identity elements:** (T1) $\mathbf{X + 0 = X}$ (T1') $\mathbf{X \cdot 1 = X}$
- **Null elements:** (T2) $\mathbf{X + 1 = 1}$ (T2') $\mathbf{X \cdot 0 = 0}$
- **Idempotency:** (T3) $\mathbf{X + X = X}$ (T3') $\mathbf{X \cdot X = X}$
- **Involution:** (T4) $\mathbf{(X')' = X}$
- **Complements:** (T5) $\mathbf{X + X' = 1}$ (T5') $\mathbf{X \cdot X' = 0}$
- **Induction Proof:**

Show that the theorems are true for both $X = 0$ and $X = 1$

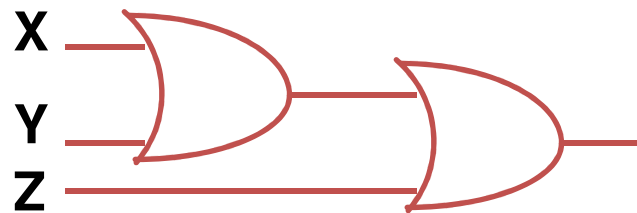
Theorems-Multiple Variables

- **Commutativity:** (T6) $X + Y = Y + X$ (T6') $X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$

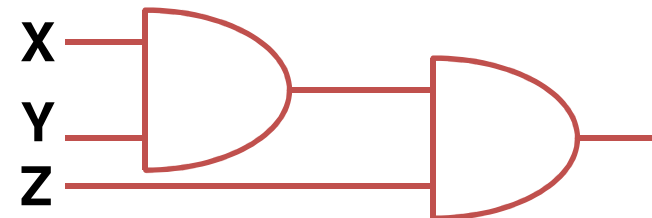
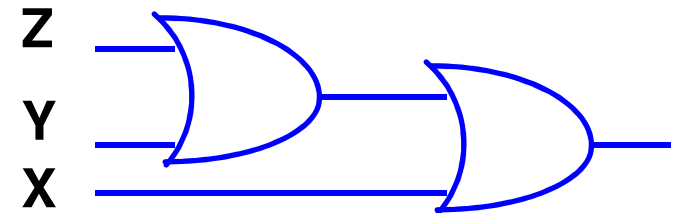
- The inputs of AND and OR gates can be interchanged.

- **Associativity:** (T7) $(X + Y) + Z = X + (Y + Z)$ (T7') $(X \cdot Y) \cdot Z = X \cdot (Y \cdot Z)$

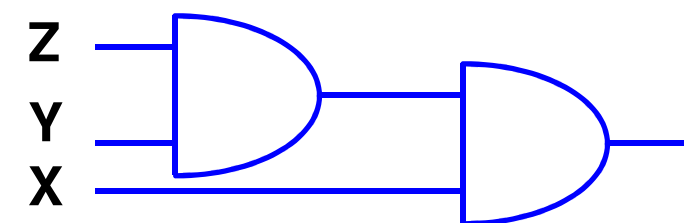
- The order of the input variables could be rearranged.



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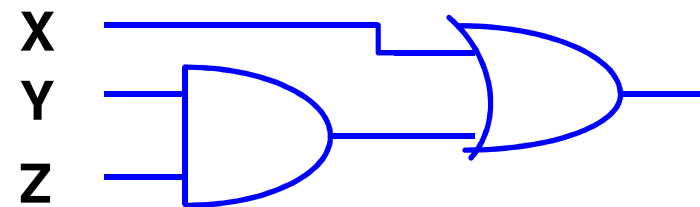
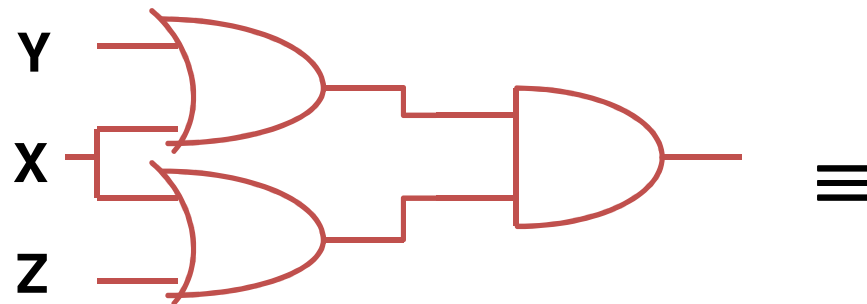
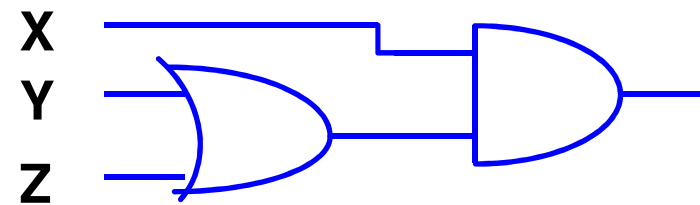
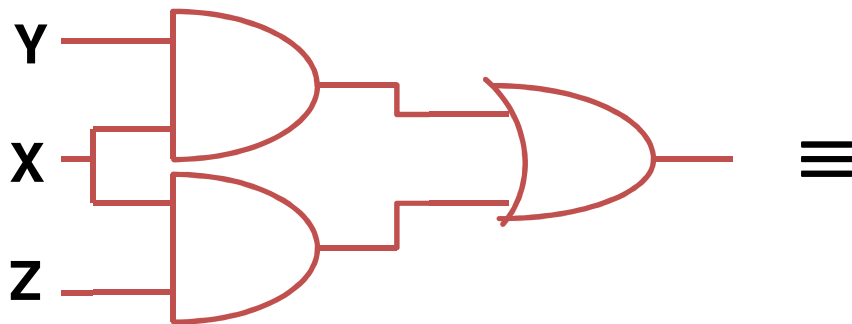
Theorems - Multiple Variables

- **Distributivity:**

(T8) $X \cdot (Y + Z) = X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z$

(T8') $X + Y \cdot Z = (X + Y) \cdot (X + Z)$

- Multiplication distributes over addition; Addition distributes over multiplication!



Theorems-Multiple Variables

- **Covering:** (T9) $\mathbf{X + X \cdot Y = X}$ (T9') $\mathbf{X \cdot (X + Y) = X}$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(T9): } \mathbf{X + X \cdot Y} &= \mathbf{X \cdot 1 + X \cdot Y} && \text{(theorem T1')} \\ &= \mathbf{X \cdot (1 + Y)} && \text{(theorem T8- Distributivity)} \\ &= \mathbf{X \cdot 1} && \text{(theorem T2)} \\ &= \mathbf{X} && \text{(theorem T1')} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(T9'): } \mathbf{X \cdot (X + Y)} &= \mathbf{(X + 0) \cdot (X + Y)} && \text{(theorem T1)} \\ &= \mathbf{X + (0 \cdot Y)} && \text{(theorem T8'- Distributivity)} \\ &= \mathbf{X + 0} && \text{(theorem T2')} \\ &= \mathbf{X} && \text{(theorem T1)} \end{aligned}$$

Theorems-Multiple Variables

- **Combining:** $(T10) \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y}' = \mathbf{X}$ $(T10') (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) \cdot (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}') = \mathbf{X}$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} (T10) \quad \mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{1} && \text{(theorem T1')} \\ &= \mathbf{X} \cdot (\mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{Y}') && \text{(theorem T5)} \\ &= \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y}' && \text{(theorem T8 - Distributivity)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (T10') \quad \mathbf{X} &= \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{0} && \text{(theorem T1)} \\ &= \mathbf{X} + (\mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{Y}') && \text{(theorem T5')} \\ &= (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) \cdot (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}') && \text{(theorem T8' - Distributivity)} \end{aligned}$$

Covering and combining are used in minimizing logic functions.

Theorems-Multiple Variables

- **Consensus:**

$$(T11) \quad \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{X}' \cdot \mathbf{Z} + \mathbf{Y} \cdot \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{X}' \cdot \mathbf{Z}$$

$$(T11') \quad (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) \cdot (\mathbf{X}' + \mathbf{Z}) \cdot (\mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{Z}) = (\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}) \cdot (\mathbf{X}' + \mathbf{Z})$$

- **Generalized Idempotency:**

$$(T12) \quad \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{X} + \dots + \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}$$

$$(T12') \quad \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{X} \cdot \dots \cdot \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}$$

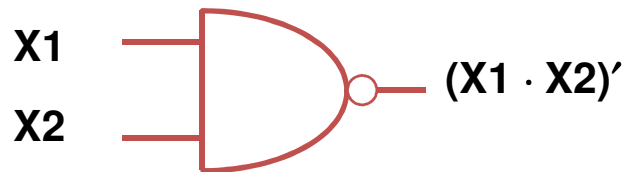
Theorems-Multiple Variables

- DeMorgans Theorems

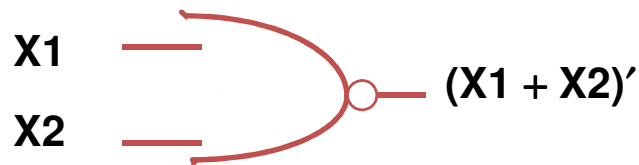
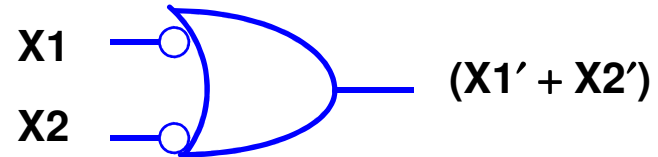
$$(T13) \quad (X1 \cdot X2 \cdot \dots \cdot Xn)' = X1' + X2' + \dots + Xn'$$

$$(T13') \quad (X1 + X2 + \dots + Xn)' = X1' \cdot X2' \cdot \dots \cdot Xn'$$

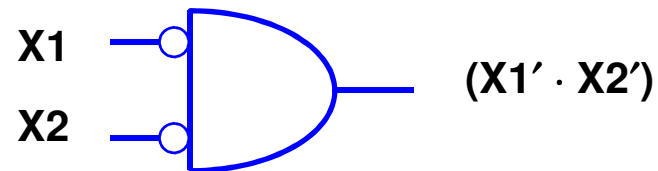
Example: two-variable case



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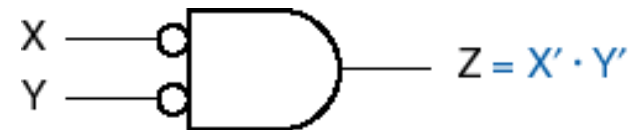
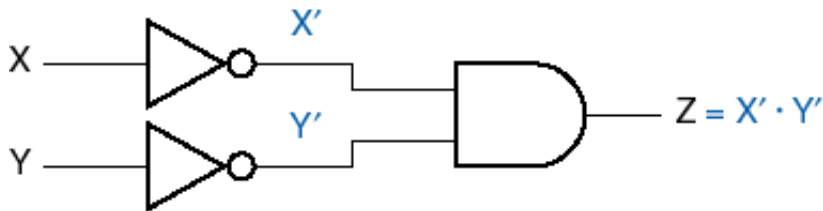
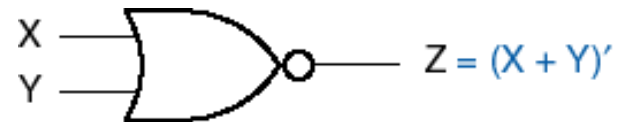
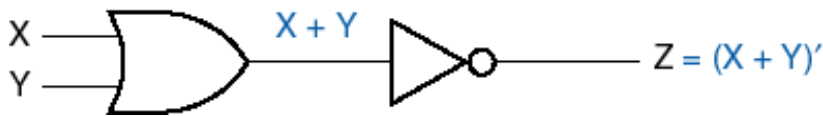
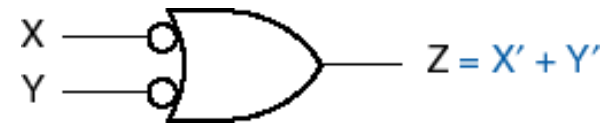
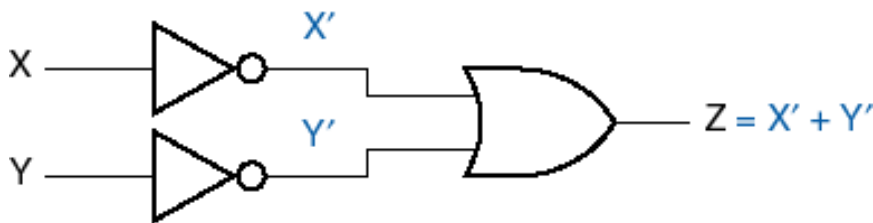
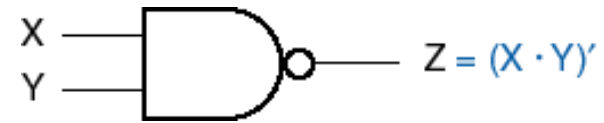
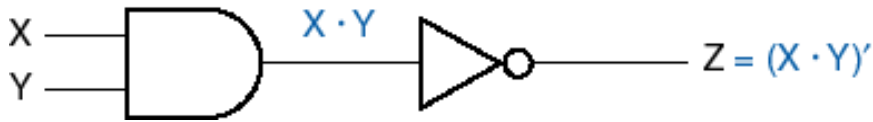


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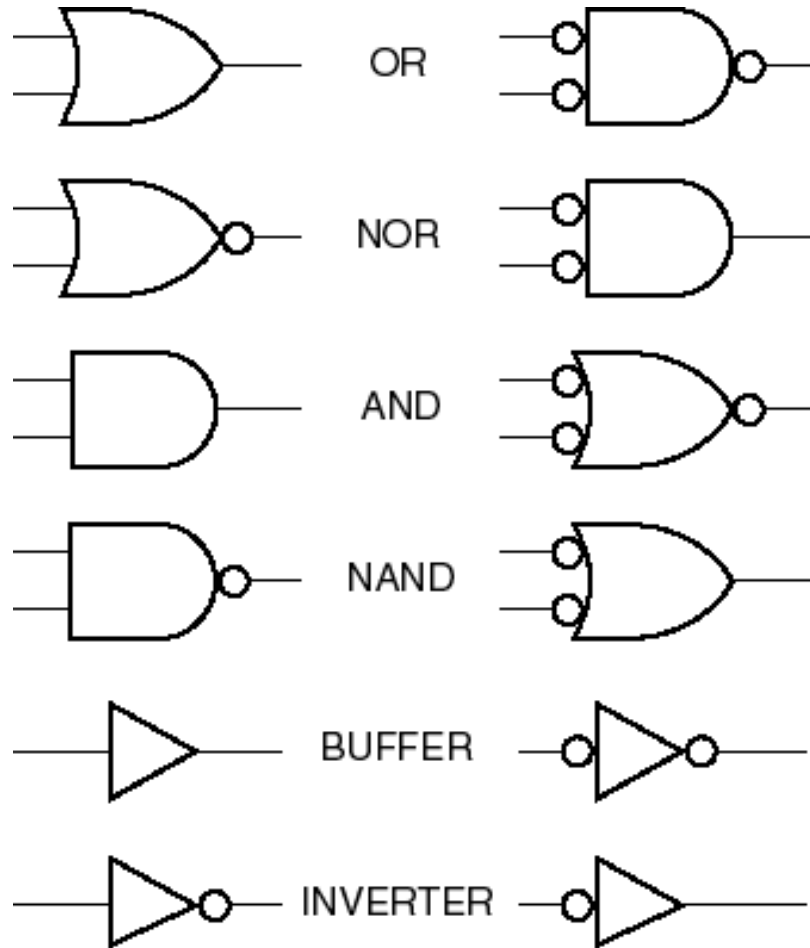


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DeMorgan Symbol Equivalence



DeMorgan Symbols



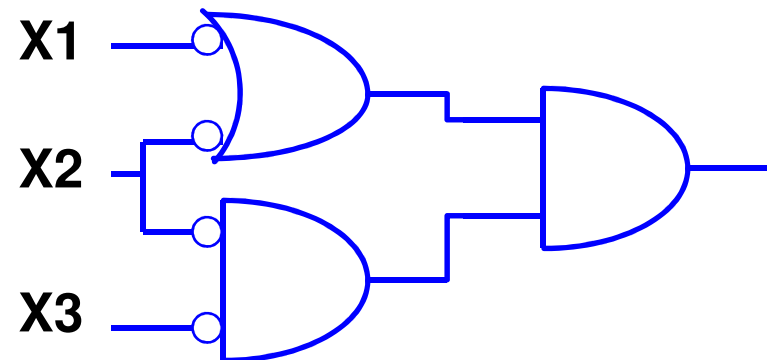
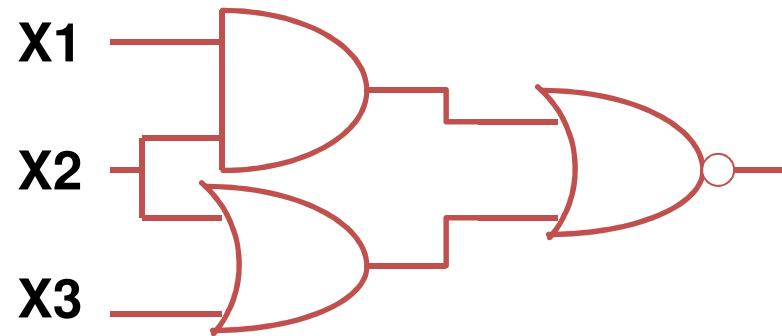
Generalized DeMorgan's Theorem

$$(T14) \quad [F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, +, \cdot)]' = F(X_1', X_2', \dots, X_n', \cdot, +)$$

Example: $F = (X_1 \times X_2) + (X_2 + X_3)$

$$F' = [(X_1 \times X_2) + (X_2 + X_3)]'$$

$$F' = (X_1' + X_2') \times (X_2' \times X_3')$$



Duality

- **Swap 0 & 1, AND & OR**
 - Result: Theorems still true
- Why?
 - Each axiom (A1-A5) has a dual (A1'-A5')
- Counterexample:
 $X + X \cdot Y = X$ (T9)
 $X \cdot X + Y = X$ (dual)
- **Mathematical definition** : F is a Boolean Function; FD the dual function is:
 - **$FD (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, +, \cdot, ') = F (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \cdot, +, ')$**

Duality

Example:

- $F_{X1,X2,X3} = X1 + X2 \cdot X3$
- $FD_{X1,X2,X3} = X1 \cdot (X2 + X3)$
- $FD'_{X1,X2,X3} = (X1 \cdot (X2 + X3))' = X1' + X2' \cdot X3'$
 $= F_{X1', X2', X3'}$
- $FD_{X1',X2',X3'} = X1' \cdot (X2' + X3')$
- $FD'_{X1',X2',X3'} = (X1' \cdot (X2' + X3'))' = X1'' + X2'' \cdot X3''$
 $= X1 + X2 \cdot X3$

$$F_{X1,X2,X3} = FD'_{X1',X2',X3'}$$

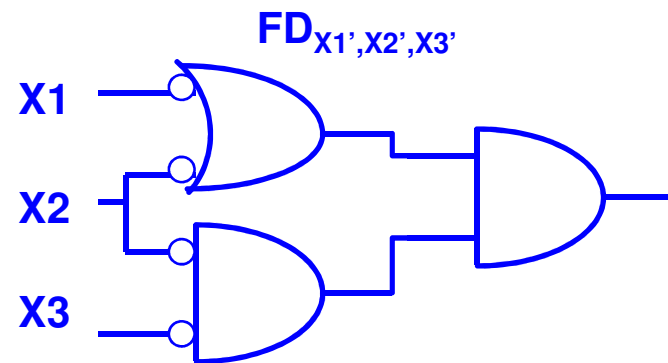
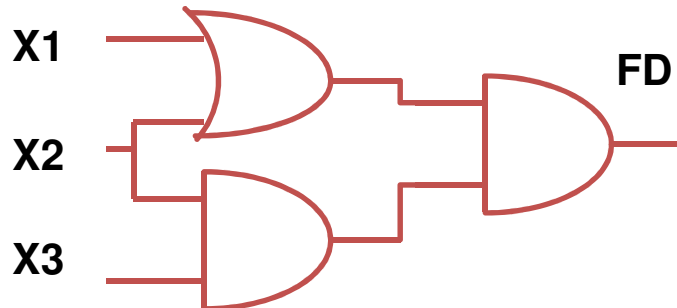
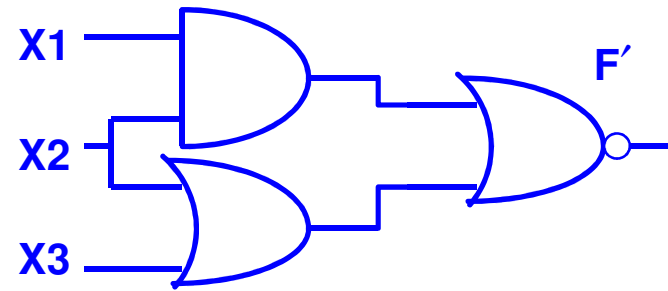
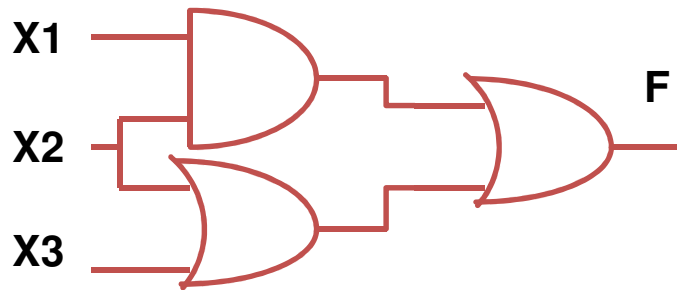
Duality and DeMorgan's Theorem

$$F_{X1, X2, \dots, Xn} = FD'_{X1', X2', \dots, Xn'}$$

or:

$$F'_{X1, X2, \dots, Xn} = FD_{X1', X2', \dots, Xn'}$$

Example:



Exercise: DeMorgan/Duality

Find: F' , FD , $FD_{A',B',C'}$, $FD'_{A',B',C'}$

$$F_{A,B,C} = AB + AB'C + BC'$$

$$\begin{aligned} F' &= [A \times B + A \times B' \times C + B \times C']' \\ &= (A' + B') \times (A' + B + C') \times (B' + C) \end{aligned}$$

$$FD = (A + B) \times (A + B' + C) \times (B + C')$$

$$FD_{A',B',C'} = (A' + B') \times (A' + B + C') \times (B' + C)$$

$$\begin{aligned} FD'_{A',B',C'} &= [(A' + B') \times (A' + B + C') \times (B' + C)]' \\ &= A \times B + A \times B' \times C + B \times C' \end{aligned}$$

Representation of Logic Functions

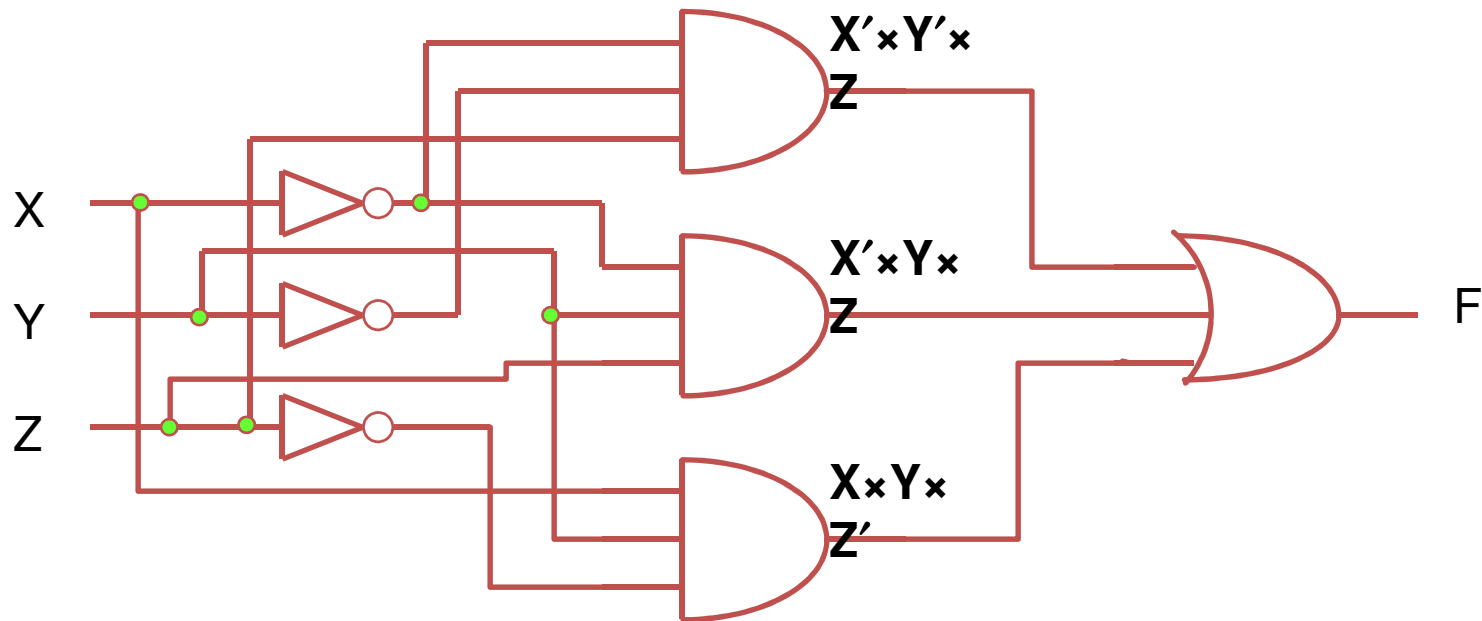
- **Truth table** with 2^n rows, n : the number of variables
- **Literal**: a variable or its complement
 - X, Y'
- n -variable **minterm**: *product* term with n literals
 - $X' \cdot Y \cdot Z$
- n -variable **maxterm**: *sum* term with n literals
 - $X + Y' + Z$

Canonical Representation

- **Canonical Sum** (Sum of Products - SOP):
 - Sum of minterms corresponding to input combinations for which the function produces a 1 output.
 - $F_{X,Y,Z} = \Sigma (1,3,6)$
 - $F = X' \cdot Y' \cdot Z + X' \cdot Y \cdot Z + X \cdot Y \cdot Z'$
- **Canonical Product** (Product of Sums - POS):
 - Product of maxterms corresponding to input combinations for which the function produces a 0 output.
 - $F_{X,Y,Z} = \Pi (0,2,4,5,7)$
 - $F = (X + Y + Z) \cdot (X + Y' + Z) \cdot (X' + Y + Z) \cdot (X' + Y + Z') \cdot (X' + Y' + Z')$

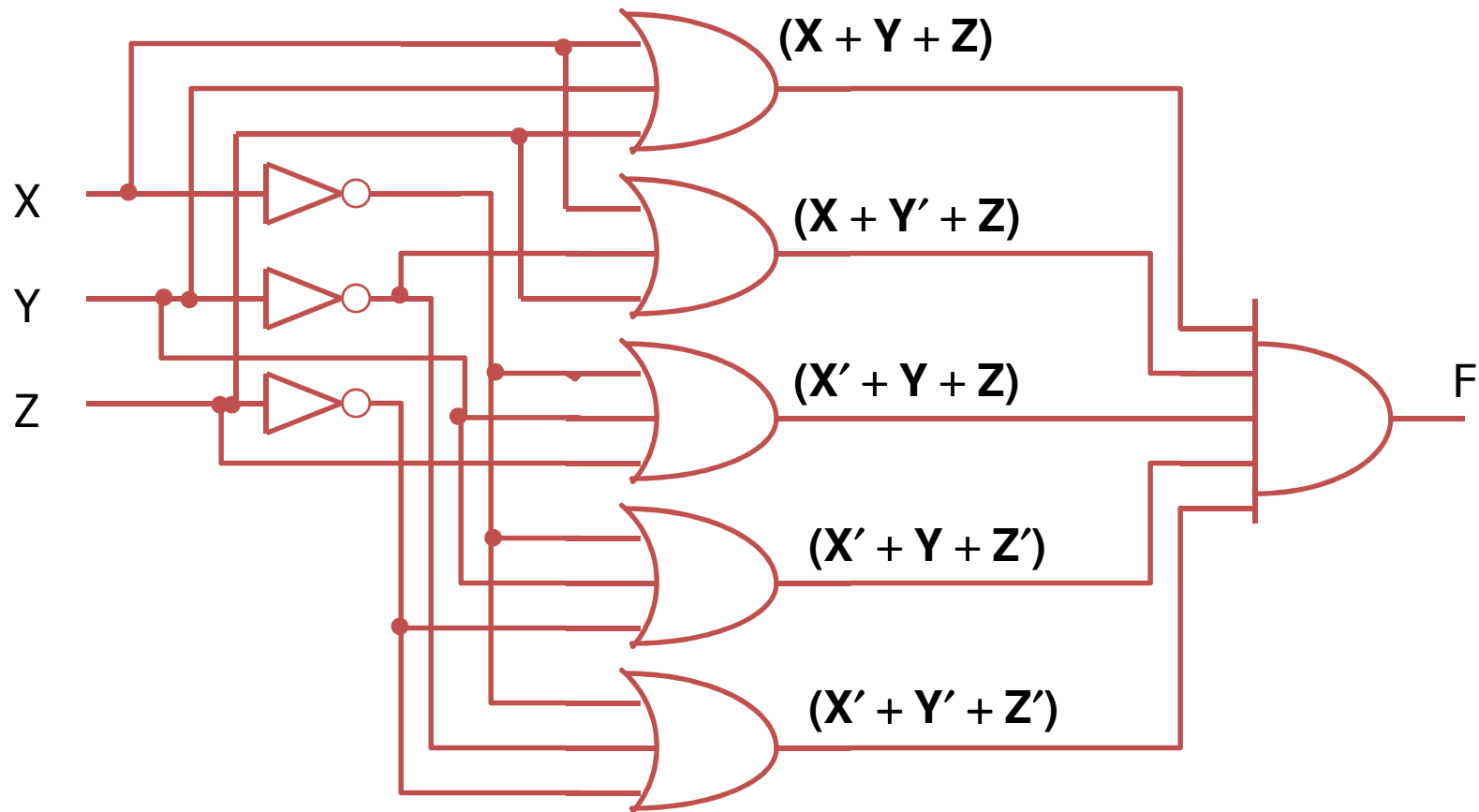
Canonical Sum Implementation

$$F = X' \times Y' \times Z + X' \times Y \times Z + X \times Y \times Z'$$



Canonical Product Implementation

$$F = (X + Y + Z) \times (X + Y' + Z) \times (X' + Y + Z) \times (X' + Y + Z') \times (X' + Y' + Z')$$



Logic Function Simplification

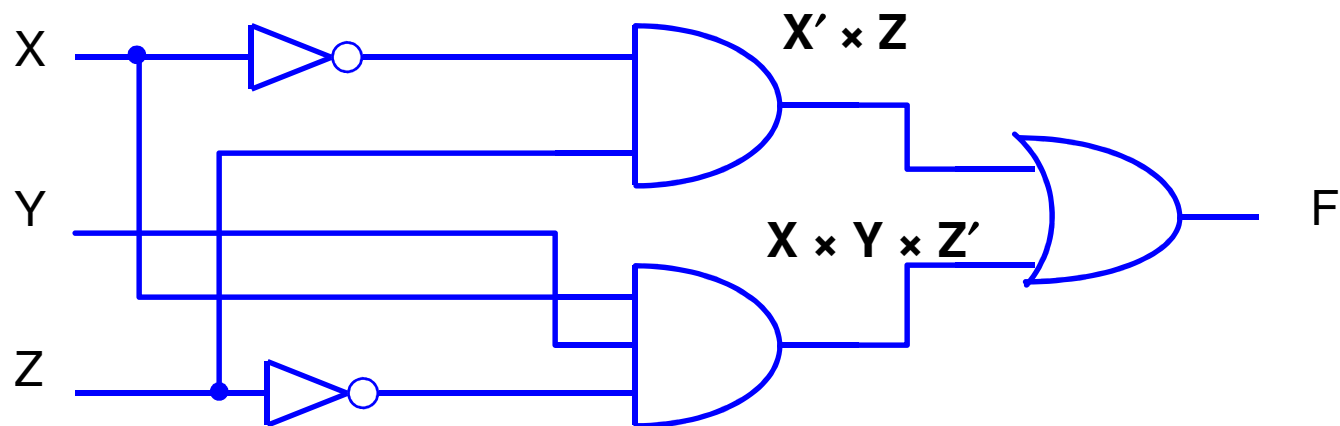
$$F = X' \times Y' \times Z + X' \times Y \times Z + X \times Y \times Z' \\ \times Z'$$

$$= X' (Y' \times Z + Y \times Z) + X \times Y \times Z'$$

$$= X' ((Y' + Y) \times Z) + X \times Y \times Z'$$

$$= X' (1 \times Z) + X \times Y \times Z'$$

$$= X' \times Z + X \times Y \times Z'$$



Exercise

$F(A,B,C) = \Sigma (0,2,4,7)$; Write:

The Truth Table; The Canonical Sum (SOP); The Canonical Product (POS)

Row	X	Y	Z	F	Minterms	Maxterms
0	0	0	0			
1	0	0	1			
2	0	1	0			
3	0	1	1			
4	1	0	0			
5	1	0	1			
6	1	1	0			
7	1	1	1			

SOP: $F = A' \times B' \times C' + A' \times B \times C' + A \times B' \times C' + A \times B \times C$

POS: $F = (A + B + C') \times (A + B' + C') \times (A' + B + C') \times (A' + B' + C)$