

Chapter 11: Boolean Algebra and Logic Circuits

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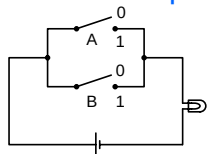
Outline

- Boolean Algebra and Switching Circuits
- Laws and Rules of Boolean Algebra
- De Morgan's Laws
- Karnaugh Maps
- Logic Circuits
- Universal Logic Gates

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Boolean Algebra and Switching Circuits (1/2)

- A **two-state device** is one whose basic elements can only have one of two conditions.
- In Boolean algebra, if A represents one state, then $\bar{A}$, called 'not- A ', represents the second state.
- The **or**-function: $A + B$
 - Defined as 'A, or B, or both A and B'
 - The equivalent electrical circuit is **two switches connected in parallel**.



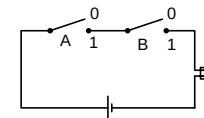
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0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	1

Truth Table

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Boolean Algebra and Switching Circuits (2/2)

- The **and**-function: $A \cdot B$
 - Defined as 'both A and B'
 - The equivalent electrical circuit is **two switches connected in series**.



A	B	$Z = A \cdot B$
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

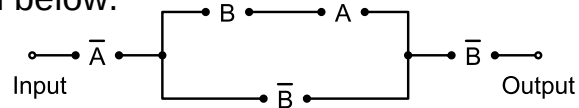
- The **not**-function: $\bar{A}$
 - Defined as 'the opposite to A'

A	$Z = \bar{A}$
0	1
1	0

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Problems

- Problem 1.** Derive the Boolean expression and construct a truth table for the switching circuit shown below.



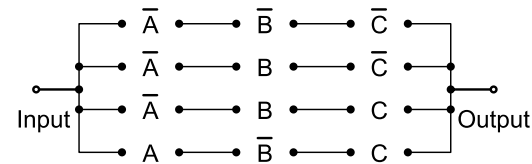
$$[Z = \bar{A} \cdot (B \cdot A + \bar{B}) \cdot \bar{B}]$$

A	B	$B \cdot A$	$\bar{B}$	$B \cdot A + \bar{B}$	$\bar{A}$	$Z = \bar{A} \cdot (B \cdot A + \bar{B}) \cdot \bar{B}$
0	0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	0	0

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Problems

- Problem 4.** Derive the Boolean expression and construct the switching circuit for the truth table given below.



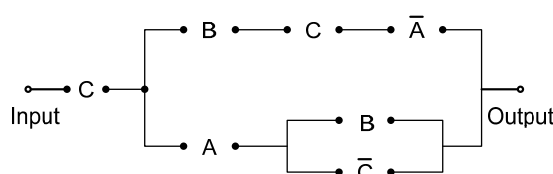
	A	B	C	Z
1	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	1	0
3	0	1	0	1
4	0	1	1	1
5	1	0	0	0
6	1	0	1	1
7	1	1	0	0
8	1	1	1	0

$$[Z = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C]$$

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Exercise 46

- Exercise 4.** Determine the Boolean expressions and construct truth table for the switching circuit.



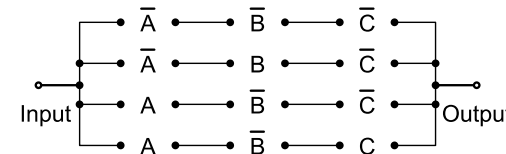
	A	B	C	Z
1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	1	0
3	0	1	0	0
4	0	1	1	1
5	1	0	0	0
6	1	0	1	0
7	1	1	0	0
8	1	1	1	1

$$[Z = C \cdot (B \cdot C \cdot \bar{A} + A \cdot (B + \bar{C}))]$$

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Exercise 46

- Exercise 10.** Derive the Boolean expression and construct the switching circuit for the truth table stated.



	A	B	C	Z
1	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	1	0
3	0	1	0	1
4	0	1	1	0
5	1	0	0	1
6	1	0	1	1
7	1	1	0	0
8	1	1	1	0

$$[Z = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C]$$

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Simplifying Boolean Expressions

- If the Boolean expression can be simplified, then the number of switches or logic elements can be reduced **resulting in a saving in cost.**
- Three principal ways of simplifying Boolean expression are:
 - By using the laws and rules of Boolean algebra
 - By applying de Morgan's laws
 - By using Karnaugh maps

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Laws and Rules of Boolean Algebra (1/2)

- Commutative Laws $A + B = B + A$
 $A \cdot B = B \cdot A$
- Associative Laws $(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$
 $(A \cdot B) \cdot C = A \cdot (B \cdot C)$
- Distributive Laws $A \cdot (B + C) = A \cdot B + A \cdot C$
 $A + (B \cdot C) = (A + B) \cdot (A + C)$
- Sum Rules $A + 0 = A$
 $A + 1 = 1$
 $A + A = A$
 $A + \bar{A} = 1$

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Laws and Rules of Boolean Algebra (2/2)

- Product Rules $A \cdot 0 = 0$
 $A \cdot 1 = A$
 $A \cdot A = A$
 $A \cdot \bar{A} = 0$
- Absorption Rules $A + A \cdot B = A$
 $A \cdot (A + B) = A$
 $A + \bar{A} \cdot B = A + B$

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Problems

- **Problem 5.** Simplify the Boolean expression:
 $\bar{P} \cdot \bar{Q} + \bar{P} \cdot Q + P \cdot \bar{Q}$
 $[\bar{P} + \bar{Q}]$
- **Problem 6.** Simplify $(P + \bar{P} \cdot Q) \cdot (Q + \bar{Q} \cdot P)$
 $[P + Q]$
- **Problem 7.** Simplify
 $F \cdot G \cdot \bar{H} + F \cdot G \cdot H + \bar{F} \cdot G \cdot H$
 $[G \cdot (F + H)]$

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Problems

- **Problem 8.** Simplify
 $\bar{F} \cdot \bar{G} \cdot H + \bar{F} \cdot G \cdot H + F \cdot \bar{G} \cdot H + F \cdot G \cdot H$
 $[H]$
- **Problem 9.** Simplify
 $A \cdot \bar{C} + \bar{A} \cdot (B + C) + A \cdot B \cdot (C + \bar{B})$
 $[A \cdot \bar{C} + B + \bar{A} \cdot C]$
- **Problem 10.** Simplify
 $P \cdot \bar{Q} \cdot R + P \cdot Q \cdot (\bar{P} + R) + Q \cdot R \cdot (\bar{Q} + P)$
 $[P \cdot R]$

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Exercise 47

Use the laws and rules of Boolean algebra to simplify the following expressions:

- **Exercise 6.** $\bar{F} \cdot \bar{G} \cdot H + \bar{F} \cdot G \cdot H + F \cdot \bar{G} \cdot H$
 $[H \cdot (\bar{F} + \bar{G})]$
- **Exercise 12.**
 $R \cdot (P \cdot \bar{Q} + P \cdot Q + P \cdot \bar{Q}) + P \cdot (Q \cdot R + \bar{Q} \cdot R)$
 $[P + \bar{Q} \cdot \bar{R}]$

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De Morgan's Laws & Problems

- **De Morgan's laws** may be used to **simplify not-functions having two or more elements**.
- The laws state that:

$$\overline{A + B} = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \quad \text{and} \quad \overline{A \cdot B} = \bar{A} + \bar{B}$$

- **Problem 11.** Verify that $\overline{A + B} = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B}$
- **Problem 12.** Simplify the Boolean expression $(\bar{A} \cdot B) + (\bar{A} + B)$ by using de Morgan's laws and the rules of Boolean algebra.
 $[A + \bar{B}]$

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Problems & Exercise 48

- **Problem 13.** Simplify the Boolean expression $(A \cdot \bar{B} + C) \cdot (\bar{A} + B \cdot \bar{C})$ by using de Morgan's laws and the rules of Boolean algebra.

$$[\bar{A} \cdot \bar{C}]$$

Use de Morgan's law and the rules of Boolean algebra to simplify the following expressions.

- **Exercise 2.** $(A + B \cdot \bar{C}) + (\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} + C)$
 $[\bar{A} + \bar{B} + C]$
- **Exercise 3.** $(\bar{A} \cdot B + B \cdot \bar{C}) \cdot \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B}$
 $[\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} + A \cdot B \cdot C]$

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Two-Variable Karnaugh Maps

Inputs		Output Z	Boolean expression
A	B		
0	0	0	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B}$
0	1	0	$\bar{A} \cdot B$
1	0	1	$A \cdot \bar{B}$
1	1	0	$A \cdot B$

A truth table for a two-variable expression

B \ A	0	1
	$(\bar{A})$	(A)
0 ($\bar{B}$)	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B}$	$A \cdot \bar{B}$
1 (B)	$\bar{A} \cdot B$	$A \cdot B$

Each of the four possible Boolean expression associated with a two-variable function

B \ A	0	1
	$(\bar{A})$	(A)
0 ($\bar{B}$)	0	1
1 (B)	0	0

Two-variable Karnaugh map

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Three-Variable Karnaugh Maps

A truth table for the three-variable expression:

$$Z = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C + A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C}$$

Inputs			Output Z	Boolean expression
A	B	C		
0	0	0	0	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}$
0	0	1	1	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C$
0	1	0	0	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C}$
0	1	1	1	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C$
1	0	0	0	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}$
1	0	1	0	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C$
1	1	0	1	$A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C}$
1	1	1	0	$A \cdot B \cdot C$

C \ A·B	00	01	11	10
	$(\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B})$	$(\bar{A} \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot \bar{B})$
0 ($\bar{C}$)	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}$	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C}$	$A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C}$	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C}$
1 (C)	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C$	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C$	$A \cdot B \cdot C$	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C$

C \ A·B	00	01	11	10
	$(\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B})$	$(\bar{A} \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot \bar{B})$
0	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	0

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Four-Variable Karnaugh Maps

Inputs				Output Z	Boolean expression
A	B	C	D		
0	0	0	0	0	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$
0	0	0	1	0	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$
0	0	1	0	1	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$
0	0	1	1	0	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D$
0	1	0	0	0	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$
0	1	0	1	0	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$
0	1	1	0	1	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$
0	1	1	1	0	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$
1	0	0	0	0	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$
1	0	0	1	0	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$
1	0	1	0	1	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$
1	0	1	1	0	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D$
1	1	0	0	0	$A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$
1	1	0	1	0	$A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$
1	1	1	0	1	$A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$
1	1	1	1	0	$A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$

$$Z = \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$$

C·D \ A·B	00	01	11	10
	$(\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B})$	$(\bar{A} \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot \bar{B})$
00 ($\bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$)	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$	$A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}$
01 ($\bar{C} \cdot D$)	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$	$A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D$
11 ($C \cdot D$)	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D$	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$	$A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D$
10 ($C \cdot \bar{D}$)	$\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$	$\bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$	$A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$	$A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$

C·D \ A·B	0·0	0·1	1·1	1·0
	$(\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B})$	$(\bar{A} \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot B)$	$(A \cdot \bar{B})$
0·0	0	0	0	0
0·1	0	0	0	0
1·1	0	0	0	0
1·0	1	1	1	1

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Simplifying a Boolean Expression Using a Karnaugh Map (1/2)

- Draw a 4, 8, or 16-cell matrix, depending on whether there are 2, 3, or 4 variables.
- Mark in the Boolean expression by putting 1's in the appropriate cells.
- From couples of 8, 4, or 2 cells having common edges, forming the largest groups of cells possible.
 - Note that a cell containing a 1 may be used more than once when forming a couple.
 - Also note that each cell containing a 1 must be used at least once.

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Simplifying a Boolean Expression Using a Karnaugh Map (2/2)

- d) The Boolean expression for the couple is given by the variables which are common to all cells in the couple.

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Problems

- **Problem 14.** Use the Karnaugh map techniques to simplify the expression $\overline{P} \cdot \overline{Q} + \overline{P} \cdot Q$
[$\overline{P}$]
- **Problem 15.** Simplify the expression $\overline{X} \cdot Y \cdot \overline{Z} + \overline{X} \cdot \overline{Y} \cdot Z + X \cdot Y \cdot \overline{Z} + X \cdot \overline{Y} \cdot Z$
by using Karnaugh map techniques.
[$Y \cdot \overline{Z} + \overline{Y} \cdot Z$]
- **Problem 17.** Simplify $\overline{(P + \overline{Q} \cdot R)} + \overline{(P \cdot Q + \overline{R})}$
using a Karnaugh map technique.
[$\overline{P} + \overline{Q} \cdot R$]

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Problems

- **Problem 19.** Simplify the expression $\overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot \overline{C} \cdot \overline{D} + \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$
by using Karnaugh map techniques.
[$\overline{B} \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D$]

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Exercise 49

Use Karnaugh map techniques to simplify the expression given.

- **Exercise 3.** $(\overline{P} \cdot \overline{Q}) \cdot \overline{(\overline{P} \cdot Q)}$
[$\overline{P} \cdot \overline{Q}$]
- **Exercise 4.** $A \cdot \overline{C} + \overline{A} \cdot (B + C) + A \cdot B \cdot (C + \overline{B})$
[$A \cdot \overline{C} + B + \overline{A} \cdot C$]
- **Exercise 8.** $\overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot D + \overline{A} \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot \overline{D} + A \cdot \overline{B} \cdot C \cdot \overline{D}$
[$\overline{B} \cdot C \cdot (\overline{A} + D)$]

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Exercise 49

Use Karnaugh map techniques to simplify the expression given.

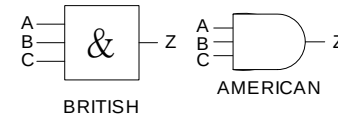
- Exercise 10.** $\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D + A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D$
 $[A \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot D]$

- Exercise 11.** $A \cdot B \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot D + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot D + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$
 $[\bar{A} \cdot C + A \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D}]$

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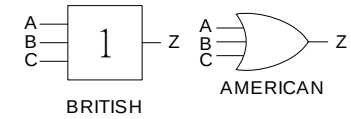
Logic Circuits (1/3)

- The and-gate:



INPUTS			OUTPUT
A	B	C	$Z = A \cdot B \cdot C$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1

- The or-gate:

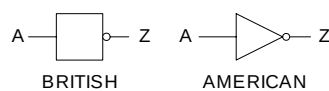


INPUTS			OUTPUT
A	B	C	$Z = A + B + C$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

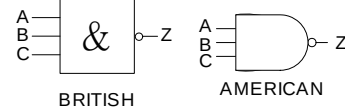
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Logic Circuits (2/3)

- The invert-gate or not-gate:
- The nand-gate:



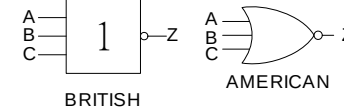
INPUTS	OUTPUT
A	$Z = \bar{A}$
0	1
1	0



INPUTS			OUTPUT
A	B	C	$Z = \overline{A \cdot B \cdot C}$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

Logic Circuits (3/3)

- The nor-gate:



INPUTS			OUTPUT
A	B	C	$Z = \overline{A + B + C}$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

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Combinational Logic Networks (1/2)

- **Problem 22.** Device a logic circuit to meet the requirements of the output given below using as few gates as possible.

$$[Z = A \cdot (B + C)]$$

Inputs			Output
A	B	C	Z
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

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Combinational Logic Networks (2/2)

- **Problem 23.** Simplify the expression:

$$Z = \bar{P} \cdot \bar{Q} \cdot \bar{R} \cdot \bar{S} + \bar{P} \cdot \bar{Q} \cdot \bar{R} \cdot S + \bar{P} \cdot Q \cdot \bar{R} \cdot \bar{S} + \bar{P} \cdot Q \cdot \bar{R} \cdot S + P \cdot \bar{Q} \cdot \bar{R} \cdot \bar{S}$$

and devise a logic circuit to give this output.

$$[Z = \bar{R} \cdot (\bar{P} + \bar{Q} \cdot \bar{S})]$$

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Exercise 50

- **Exercise 2.** Devise a logic system to meet the requirement of the Boolean expression:

$$Z = A \cdot \bar{B} + B \cdot \bar{C}$$

- **Exercise 5.** Simplify the expression given in the truth table and devise a logic circuit to meet the requirements stated.

$$[Z = A \cdot B + C]$$

A	B	C	Z
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

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Exercise 50

Simplify the Boolean expressions given and devise a logic circuit to give the requirement of the simplified expression.

- **Exercise 9.** $\bar{P} \cdot \bar{Q} \cdot \bar{R} + P \cdot Q \cdot \bar{R} + P \cdot \bar{Q} \cdot \bar{R}$
 $[\bar{R} \cdot (P + \bar{Q})]$

- **Exercise 11.** $\bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot \bar{C} \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + \bar{A} \cdot B \cdot C \cdot \bar{D} + A \cdot \bar{B} \cdot C \cdot \bar{D}$
 $[\bar{D} \cdot (\bar{A} \cdot C + \bar{B})]$

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Exercise 50

- **Exercise 12.** $\overline{(\overline{P} \cdot Q \cdot R)} \cdot \overline{(P + Q \cdot R)}$
 $[\overline{P} \cdot (\overline{Q} + \overline{R})]$

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Universal Logic Gates & Problem

- The function of any of the five logic gates in common use can be obtained by using either **nand**-gates or **nor**-gates.
- ➡ When used in this manner, the gate selected is called a **universal gate**.
- **Problem 24.** Show how invert, and, or, and nor-functions can be produced using nand-gates only.
- **Problem 25.** Show how invert, or, and, and nand-functions can be produced by using nor-gates only.

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Problems

- **Problem 26.** Design a logic circuit, using **nand**-gates having **not more than three inputs**, to meet the requirements of the Boolean expression

$$Z = \overline{A} + \overline{B} + C + \overline{D}$$

[hint: It is usual in logic circuit design to start the design at the output.]

- **Problem 27.** Use **nor**-gates only to design a logic circuit to meet the requirements of the expression: $Z = \overline{D} \cdot (\overline{A} + \overline{B} + \overline{C})$

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Problems

- **Problem 28.** An alarm indicator in a grinding mill complex should be activated if (a) the power supply to all mills is off and (b) the hopper feeding the mills is less than 10% full, and (c) if one of the three grinding mills is not in action. Device a logic system to meet these requirements.

[A: the power supply on to all the mills

B: the hopper feeding the mills being more than 10% full

C, D, and E: the three mills being in action respectively]

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Exercise 51

- **Exercise 1.** Use nand-gates only to devise the logic system: $Z = A + B \cdot C$

In Problem 4 to 6, use nor-gates only to devise the logic systems stated.

- **Exercise 4.** $Z = (\overline{A} + B) \cdot (\overline{C} + D)$
- **Exercise 5.** $Z = A \cdot \overline{B} + B \cdot \overline{C} + C \cdot \overline{D}$
- **Exercise 6.** $Z = \overline{P} \cdot Q + P \cdot (Q + R)$

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Exercise 51

- **Exercise 9.** A water tank feeds three separate processes. When any two of the processes are in operation at the same time, a signal is required to start a pump to maintain the head of water in the tank. Devise a logic circuit using nor-gates only to give the required signal.

$$[Z = A \cdot (B + C) + B \cdot C]$$
$$\text{or } Z = A \cdot B + A \cdot C + B \cdot C]$$

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