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**UNIT:1- MINIMIZATION TECHNIQUES AND LOGIC GATES**

**TOPIC:BOOLEAN POSTULATES AND LAWS**



# Outline

- 1854: Logical algebra was published by **George Boole** → known today as “**Boolean Algebra**”
  - It’s a convenient way and systematic way of expressing and analyzing the operation of logic circuits.
- 1938: **Claude Shannon** was the first to apply Boole’s work to the analysis and design of logic circuits.

# Boolean operations and expressions



- *Variable* – a symbol used to represent a logical quantity.
- *Complement* – the inverse of a variable and is indicated by a bar over the variable.
- *Literal* – a variable or the complement of a variable.

# Basic Identities of Boolean Algebra



$$1. X + 0 = X$$

$$2. X + 1 = 1$$

$$3. X \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$4. X \cdot 1 = X$$

$$5. X + X = X$$

$$6. X \cdot X = X$$

$$7. X + X' = 1$$

$$8. X \cdot X' = 0$$

# Basic Identities of Boolean Algebra



## Laws of Commutativity

$$1. X + Y = Y + X$$

$$2. XY = YX$$

## Laws of Associativity

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

$$2. X(YZ) = (XY)Z$$

# Boolean function and truth table



## Laws of Distributivity



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

## De Morgan's Theorem

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

## Law of Involution

1.  $(X')' = X$



# DeMorgan's Theorems

- The complement of two or more ANDed variables is equivalent to the OR of the complements of the individual variables.

$$\overline{X \bullet Y} = \bar{X} + \bar{Y}$$

NAND = Negative-OR

- The complement of two or more ORed variables is equivalent to the AND of the complements of the individual variables.

$$\overline{X + Y} = \bar{X} \bullet \bar{Y}$$

NOR = Negative-AND

# Boolean function minimization using Boolean algebra



- Apply DeMorgan's theorems to the expressions:

$$\overline{X \cdot Y \cdot Z}$$

$$\overline{X + Y + Z}$$

$$\overline{\bar{X} + \bar{Y} + \bar{Z}}$$

$$\overline{\bar{W} \cdot \bar{X} \cdot \bar{Y} \cdot \bar{Z}}$$





*Thank  
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