Digital Logic Gates

Boolean functions are expressed in terms of AND, OR, and NOT operations, it is easier to implement a Boolean function with these type of gates.

	Name	Graphic symbol	Algebraic function	Truth table		
				x	у	F
	AND	x y	$F = x \cdot y$	0	0	0
				0	1	0
				1	1	1
	OR	x y	$E = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}$	х	у	F
				0	0	0
			r = x + y	0	1	1
				i	ĭ	i
	Inverter	xF		х		F
			F = x'	0		1
	Buffer	xF		1	1	0
			F = x		-	-
				0	2	0
	NAND		F = (xy)'	х	у	F
				0	0	1
				0	1	i
				i	1	0
	NOR		F = (x + y)'	х	у	F
				0	0	1
				0	1	0
				1	1	ŏ
	Exclusive-OR (XOR)		$F = xy' + x'y - x \oplus y$	х	у	F
				0	0	0
				0	1	1
				i	1	ò
	Exclusive-NOR or equivalence	x - H F	$F = xy + x'y' - (x \oplus y)'$	х	у	F
				0	0	1
		y		0	1	0
				1	1	1

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Properties of XOR Gates

- XOR (also ⊕) : the "not-equal" function
- $XOR(X,Y) = X \oplus Y = X'Y + XY'$
- Identities:
 - X ⊕ 0 = X
 - X ⊕ 1 = X'
 - − X ⊕ X = 0
 - X ⊕ X' = 1
- Properties:
 - $X \oplus Y = Y \oplus X$
 - $(X \oplus Y) \oplus W = X \oplus (Y \oplus W)$

Universal Logic Gates

NAND and NOR gates are called Universal gates. All fundamental gates (NOT, AND, OR) can be realized by using either only NAND or only NOR gate. A universal gate provides flexibility and offers enormous advantage to logic designers.

NAND as a Universal Gate

NAND Known as a "universal" gate because ANY digital circuit can be implemented with NAND gates alone.

To prove the above, it suffices to show that AND, OR, and NOT can be implemented using NAND gates only.



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