# EE 200- Digital Logic Circuit Design 2.6 Canonical and Standard Forms. 

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## Entry Questions

- Can we represent a Boolean function in more than one form?
- What for look for to get a better Boolean function form?


## Objectives

(1) Canonical and Standard Forms

- Canonical Forms
- Standard Forms


## Canonical Forms

- Canonical forms: each term of the Boolean function must contain all the variables.

| $\boldsymbol{x}$ | $\boldsymbol{y}$ | $\boldsymbol{z}$ | Function $\boldsymbol{f}_{\mathbf{1}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

- $f_{1}=x^{\prime} y^{\prime} z+x y^{\prime} z^{\prime}+x y z$


## Minterms and Maxterms

Expressing combinations of 1's and 0's with binary variables (normal form $\times$ or complement form $\times$ ')

- For $n$-variables, we have $2^{n}$ compilations.
- Example: for variables $x$ and $y$, we have $x^{\prime} y^{\prime}, x y^{\prime}, x^{\prime} y$, and $x y$.
- Each variable is primed " ' " if it represent a " 0 ", otherwise it is unprimed.


## Sum of Minterms

- Each of these AND terms is called minterm or standard product.

Minterms for Three Binary Variables

|  |  |  | Minterms |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{x}$ | $\boldsymbol{y}$ | $\boldsymbol{z}$ | Term | Designation |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | $x^{\prime} y^{\prime} z^{\prime}$ | $m_{0}$ |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | $x^{\prime} y^{\prime} z$ | $m_{1}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | $x^{\prime} y z^{\prime}$ | $m_{2}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | $x^{\prime} y z$ | $m_{3}$ |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | $x y^{\prime} z^{\prime}$ | $m_{4}$ |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | $x y^{\prime} z$ | $m_{5}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | $x y z^{\prime}$ | $m_{6}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | $x y z$ | $m_{7}$ |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

- $f_{1}=x^{\prime} y^{\prime} z+x y^{\prime} z^{\prime}+x y z=m_{1}+m_{4}+m_{7}$


## Product of Maxterms

| $\boldsymbol{x}$ | $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$ | $\boldsymbol{z}$ | Function $\boldsymbol{f}_{\mathbf{1}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Maxterms for Three Binary Variables

|  |  |  | Maxterms |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{x}$ | $\boldsymbol{y}$ | $\boldsymbol{z}$ | Term | Designation |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | $x+y+z$ | $M_{0}$ |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | $x+y+z^{\prime}$ | $M_{1}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | $x+y^{\prime}+z$ | $M_{2}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | $x+y^{\prime}+z^{\prime}$ | $M_{3}$ |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | $x^{\prime}+y+z$ | $M_{4}$ |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | $x^{\prime}+y+z^{\prime}$ | $M_{5}$ |
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| 1 | 1 | 1 | $x^{\prime}+y^{\prime}+z^{\prime}$ | $M_{7}$ |

- if $f_{1}^{\prime}=x^{\prime} y^{\prime} z^{\prime}+x^{\prime} y z^{\prime}+x^{\prime} y z+x y^{\prime} z+x y z^{\prime}$
$f_{1}=(x+y+z)\left(x+y^{\prime}+z\right)\left(x+y^{\prime}+z^{\prime}\right)\left(x^{\prime}+y+z^{\prime}\right)\left(x^{\prime}+y^{\prime}+z\right)$
$f_{1}=M_{0} M_{2} M_{3} M_{5} M_{6}$
- Each grouped OR term is called maxterm or standard sum.


## Minterms and Maxterms Conversions

- Canonical form: expressing a Boolean function using sum of minterms or product of maxterms.
- Minterms whose sum defines the Boolean function are those which give 1's in the truth table.
- Maxterms whose product defines the Boolean function are those which give 0's in the truth table.
- Maxterm $M_{j}$ is the complement of minterm $m_{j}$.
- $f_{1}=x^{\prime} y^{\prime} z+x y^{\prime} z^{\prime}+x y z=m_{1}+m_{4}+m_{7}=\sum(1,4,7)$
- $f_{1}=M_{0} M_{1} M_{2} M_{5} M_{6}=\prod(0,1,2,5,6)$


## Standard Forms

- Standard forms: the terms that form the function may contain one, two, or any number of variables.
- Sum of products
$F_{1}=y^{\prime}+x y+x^{\prime} y z^{\prime}$
- Product of sums

(a) Sum of Products

$$
F_{2}=x\left(y^{\prime}+z\right)\left(x^{\prime}+y+z^{\prime}\right)
$$


(b) Product of Sums

## Minterms and Maxterms Conversions

- A nonstandard form Boolean function, $F_{3}=A B+C(D+E)$ can be written in standard form as, $F_{3}=A B+C D+C E$.

(a) $A B+C(D+E)$

(b) $A B+C D+C E$
- A two-level implementation is preferred: produces the least amount of delay through the gates when the signal propagates from the inputs to the output.


## Conversion to Canonical Forms

Express $F=A+B^{\prime} C$ as a sum of minterms

- each term should have all variables.
- 1st term missing $B$ \& $C$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =A\left(B+B^{\prime}\right)=A B+A B^{\prime} \\
& =A B\left(C+C^{\prime}\right)+A B^{\prime}\left(C+C^{\prime}\right)=A B C+A B C^{\prime}+A B^{\prime} C+A B^{\prime} C^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

- 2nd term missing $A$.

$$
=B^{\prime} C\left(A+A^{\prime}\right)=A B^{\prime} C+A^{\prime} B^{\prime} C
$$

- $F=A B C+A B C^{\prime}+A B^{\prime} C+A B^{\prime} C^{\prime}+A B^{\prime} C+A^{\prime} B^{\prime} C$

$$
=m_{1}+m_{4}+m_{5}+m_{6}+m_{7}=\sum(1,4,5,6,7)
$$

## Conversion to Canonical Forms

Express $F=A+B^{\prime} C$ as a product of maxterms

- convert to OR terms $\left(A+B^{\prime}\right)(A+C)$.
- 1st term missing $C$, add $C C^{\prime}$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A+B^{\prime}=A+B^{\prime}+C C^{\prime} \\
& =\left(A+B^{\prime}+C\right)\left(A+B^{\prime}+C^{\prime}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

- 2nd term missing $B$, add $B B^{\prime}$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& A+C=A+C+B B^{\prime}=(A+B+C)\left(A+B^{\prime}+C\right) \\
& -F=\left(A+B^{\prime}+C\right)\left(A+B^{\prime}+C^{\prime}\right)(A+B+C)\left(A+B^{\prime}+C\right) \\
& =m_{2}+m_{3}+m_{0}=\prod(0,2,3)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Summary

(1) Canonical and Standard Forms

- Canonical Forms
- Standard Forms


## Next Lecture

- Gate-Level Minimization.

