# The Logic of Compound Statements Application: Digital Logic Circuits 

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## Application: Digital Logic Circuits

- Analogy between the operations of switching devices and the operations of logical connectives


Switches "in series"

| Switches |  | Light Bulb |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{P}$ |  | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ |
| closed | closed | State |
| closed | open | off |
| open | closed | off |
| open | open | off |


Switches "in parallel"

| Switches |  | Light Bulb |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{P}$ | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ | State |
| closed | closed | on |
| closed | open | on |
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Binary digits (bits): we will use the symbols 1 and 0 instead of "on" ("closed" or True) and "off" ("open" or False)

## Black Boxes and Gates

- Combinations of signal bits (1's and 0's) can be transformed into other combinations of signal bits (1's and 0's) by means of various circuits

- An efficient method for designing complicated circuits is to build them by connecting less complicated black box circuits: NOT-,AND-, and OR-gates.

| Input |  |  | Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{P}$ | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ | $\boldsymbol{R}$ | $\boldsymbol{S}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |


| Type of Gate | Symbolic Representation | Action |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NOT |  | Input | Output |
|  |  | $P$ | $R$ |
|  |  | 1 | 0 |
|  |  | 0 | 1 |
| AND |  | Input | Output |
|  |  | $P \quad Q$ | $R$ |
|  |  | 11 | 1 |
|  |  | 10 | 0 |
|  |  | $0 \quad 1$ | 0 |
|  |  | 00 | 0 |
| OR |  | Input | Output |
|  |  | $P \quad Q$ | $R$ |
|  |  | 11 | 1 |
|  |  | 10 | 1 |
|  |  | $0 \quad 1$ | 1 |
|  |  | 00 | 0 |

## Combinational Circuits

- Rules for a Combinational Circuit:
- Never combine two input wires.
- A single input wire can be split partway and used as input for two separate gates.
- An output wire can be used as input.
- No output of a gate can eventually feed back into that gate.
- Examples:



## Determining Output for a Given Input



- Inputs: $\mathrm{P}=0$ and $\mathrm{Q}=1$



## Constructing the Input/Output Table for a Circuit



- List the four possible combinations of input signals, and find the output for each by tracing through the circuit.

| Input |  | Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{P}$ | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ | $\boldsymbol{R}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |

## The Boolean Expression Corresponding to a Circuit



- Trace through the circuit from left to right:

- What is the result?


## The Boolean Expression Corresponding to a Circuit



- Trace through the circuit from left to right:

- The result is: exclusive OR


## Recognizer

- A recognizer is a circuit that outputs a 1 for exactly one particular combination of input signals and outputs 0's for all other combinations.
- Example:


Input/Output Table for a Recognizer

| $\boldsymbol{P}$ | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ | $\boldsymbol{R}$ | $(\boldsymbol{P} \wedge Q) \wedge \sim R$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

## The Circuit Corresponding to a Boolean Expression

1. Write the input variables in a column on the left side of the diagram
2. Go from the right side of the diagram to the left, working from the outermost part of the expression to the innermost part

- Example: $(\sim \mathrm{P} \wedge \mathrm{Q}) \vee \sim \mathrm{Q}$



## Find a Circuit That Corresponds to an Input/Output Table

1. Construct a Boolean expression with the same truth table

- identify each row for which the output is 1 and construct an and expression that produces a 1 for the exact combination of input values for that row

| Input |  |  | Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{P}$ | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ | $\boldsymbol{R}$ | $\boldsymbol{S}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

$P \wedge Q \wedge R$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{P} \wedge \sim \mathrm{Q} \wedge \mathrm{R} \\
& \mathrm{P} \wedge \sim \mathrm{Q} \wedge \sim \mathrm{R}
\end{aligned}
$$

Result: $(\mathrm{P} \wedge \mathrm{Q} \wedge \mathrm{R}) \mathrm{V}(\mathrm{P} \wedge \sim \mathrm{Q} \wedge \mathrm{R}) \mathrm{V}(\mathrm{P} \wedge \sim \mathrm{Q} \wedge \sim \mathrm{R})$ disjunctive normal form

## Find a Circuit That Corresponds to an Input/Output Table

2. Construct the circuit for: $(P \wedge Q \wedge R) \vee(P \wedge \sim Q \wedge R) \vee(P \wedge \sim Q \wedge \sim R)$


## Equivalent Combinational Circuits



- Two digital logic circuits are equivalent if, and only if, their input/output tables are identical.

| Input |  | Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\boldsymbol{P}$ | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ | $\boldsymbol{R}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

## Simplifying Combinational Circuits



1. Find the Boolean expressions for each circuit.
2. Show that these expressions are logically equivalent.

$$
\begin{aligned}
((\mathrm{P} \wedge \sim \mathrm{Q}) & \vee(\mathrm{P} \wedge \mathrm{Q})) \wedge \mathrm{Q} & & \\
& \equiv(\mathrm{P} \wedge(\sim \mathrm{Q} \vee \mathrm{Q})) \wedge \mathrm{Q} & & \text { by the distributive law } \\
& \equiv(\mathrm{P} \wedge(\mathrm{Q} \vee \sim \mathrm{Q})) \wedge \mathrm{Q} & & \text { by the commutative law for } \vee \\
& \equiv(\mathrm{P} \wedge \mathrm{~T}) \wedge \mathrm{Q} & & \text { by the negation law } \\
& \equiv \mathrm{P} \wedge \mathrm{Q} & & \text { by the identity law. }
\end{aligned}
$$

## NAND and NOR Gates

- A NAND-gate is a single gate that acts like an AND-gate followed by a NOT-gate
- it has the logical symbol: |(called Sheffer stroke)

$$
\mathrm{P} \mid \mathrm{Q} \equiv \sim(\mathrm{P} \wedge \mathrm{Q})
$$



| Input |  | Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $P$ | $Q$ | $R=P \mid Q$ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |

- A NOR-gate is a single gate that acts like an OR-gate followed by a NOT-gate
- it has the logical symbol: $\downarrow$ (called Peirce arrow)

$$
\mathrm{P} \downarrow \mathrm{Q} \equiv \sim(\mathrm{P} \vee \mathrm{Q})
$$

| Input |  | Output |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $P$ | $\boldsymbol{Q}$ | $\boldsymbol{R}=\boldsymbol{P} \downarrow \boldsymbol{Q}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |

## Rewriting Expressions Using the Sheffer Stroke

- Any Boolean expression is equivalent to one written entirely with Sheffer strokes or entirely with Peirce arrows

$$
\begin{array}{rlr}
\sim \mathrm{P} & \equiv \sim(\mathrm{P} \wedge \mathrm{P}) & \\
& \text { by the idempotent law for } \wedge \\
& \equiv \mathrm{P} \mid \mathrm{P} & \\
\text { by definition of } \mid
\end{array}
$$

$$
\mathrm{P} \vee \mathrm{Q} \equiv \sim(\sim(\mathrm{P} \vee \mathrm{Q})) \text { by the double negative law }
$$

$$
\equiv \sim(\sim \mathrm{P} \wedge \sim \mathrm{Q}) \quad \text { by De Morgan's laws }
$$

$$
\equiv \sim((\mathrm{P} \mid \mathrm{P}) \wedge(\mathrm{Q} \mid \mathrm{Q})) \text { by the above } \sim \mathrm{P} \equiv \mathrm{P} \mid \mathrm{P}
$$

$$
\equiv(\mathrm{P} \mid \mathrm{P}) \mid(\mathrm{Q} \mid \mathrm{Q}) \quad \text { by definition of } \mid
$$

