

# Digital Logic Evaluation Expressions

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These slides show how to evaluate digital logic expressions via truth tables

# Digital Logic Evaluation – Expressions

- Truth tables can be used to evaluate complex digital logic expressions
  - Process:
    1. Determine the total number of unique inputs ( $n$ )
    2. Create a table with  $n$  columns
    3. Populate the columns with the enumerated binary values for  $n$  bits ( $2^n$  rows)
      - 00
      - 01
      - 10
      - 11
    4. Determine the precedence of the operations
    5. Working from highest to lowest precedence
      - Create a new column
      - Evaluate just one logical statement at a time – using the previous column values

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- The order of operations for digital logic are
  - NOT >> AND >> XOR >> XNOR >> OR
- The associativity of digital logic expressions are all left to right

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- Example 1 – step 1/2/3

a and b and c

3 input signals  
N = 3 columns  
 $2^N = 8$  rows

a	b	c
0	0	0
0	0	1
0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
1	1	1

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- Example 1 – step 4/5

(a and b) and c

Same precedence  
Operate L → R

a	b	c	a and b (x)
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	1
1	1	1	1

# Digital Logic Evaluation – Expressions

- Example 1 – step 4/5 cont'd

(a and b) and c

x and c

a and b and c

a	b	c	a and b (x)	x and c
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1

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- Example 2 – step 1/2/3

a or b and  $\bar{c}$

3 input signals  
N = 3 columns  
 $2^N = 8$  rows

a	b	c
0	0	0
0	0	1
0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
1	1	1

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- Example 2 – step 4/5

a or b and  $\bar{c}$

Precedence

NOT → AND → OR

a	b	c	not c (x)
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0



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- Example 2 – step 4/5 cont'd

a or b and  $\bar{c}$

a or (b and x)

Precedence

NOT → AND → OR

a	b	c	not c (x)	b and x (y)
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	0

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- Example 2 – step 4/5 cont'd

a or b and  $\bar{c}$

a or y

a or b and  $\bar{c}$

a	b	c	not c (x)	b and x (y)	a or y
0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1	1
0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	1

Precedence

NOT → AND → OR

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- Example 3 – step 1/2/3/4/5

$$ab \otimes \overline{c + d}$$

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4 input signals

N = 4 columns

$2^N = 16$  rows

Precedence

$$(ab) \otimes (\overline{c + d})$$

a	b	c	d	ab (x)	c + d (y)	$\overline{y}$ (z)	$x \otimes z$
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1