

Composition

Composition of a function and its inverse:

$$(f^{-1} \circ f)(x) = f^{-1}(f(x)) = x$$

The composition of a function and its inverse is the identity function $i(x) = x$.

Graphs

The **graph** of a function $f:A\rightarrow B$ is the set of ordered pairs $\{(a, b) \mid a\in A \text{ and } f(a) = b\}$.

The graph is a subset of $A\times B$ that can be used to visualize f in a two-dimensional coordinate system.

Floor and Ceiling Functions

The **floor** and **ceiling** functions map the real numbers onto the integers ($\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$).

The **floor** function assigns to $r \in \mathbb{R}$ the largest $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $z \leq r$, denoted by $\lfloor r \rfloor$.

Examples: $\lfloor 2.3 \rfloor = 2$, $\lfloor 2 \rfloor = 2$, $\lfloor 0.5 \rfloor = 0$, $\lfloor -3.5 \rfloor = -4$

The **ceiling** function assigns to $r \in \mathbb{R}$ the smallest $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $z \geq r$, denoted by $\lceil r \rceil$.

Examples: $\lceil 2.3 \rceil = 3$, $\lceil 2 \rceil = 2$, $\lceil 0.5 \rceil = 1$, $\lceil -3.5 \rceil = -3$

Now, something about

BooleanAlgebra

(section 10.1)

Boolean Algebra

Boolean algebra provides the operations and the rules for working with the set $\{0, 1\}$.

These are the rules that underlie **electronic circuits**, and the methods we will discuss are fundamental to **VLSI design**.

We are going to focus on three operations:

- Boolean complementation,
- Boolean sum, and
- Boolean product

Boolean Operations

The **complement** is denoted by a bar (on the slides, we will use a minus sign). It is defined by

$$-0 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad -1 = 0.$$

The **Boolean sum**, denoted by $+$ or by OR, has the following values:

$$1 + 1 = 1, \quad 1 + 0 = 1, \quad 0 + 1 = 1, \quad 0 + 0 = 0$$

The **Boolean product**, denoted by \cdot or by AND, has the following values:

$$1 \cdot 1 = 1, \quad 1 \cdot 0 = 0, \quad 0 \cdot 1 = 0, \quad 0 \cdot 0 = 0$$

Boolean Functions and Expressions

Definition: Let $B = \{0, 1\}$. The variable x is called a **Boolean variable** if it assumes values only from B .

A function from B^n , the set $\{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i \in B, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$, to B is called a **Boolean function of degree n** .

Boolean functions can be represented using expressions made up from the variables and Boolean operations.

Boolean Functions and Expressions

The **Boolean expressions** in the variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are defined recursively as follows:

- $0, 1, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ are Boolean expressions.
- If E_1 and E_2 are Boolean expressions, then $(-E_1)$, (E_1E_2) , and $(E_1 + E_2)$ are Boolean expressions.

Each Boolean expression represents a Boolean function. The values of this function are obtained by substituting 0 and 1 for the variables in the expression.

Boolean Functions and Expressions

For example, we can create Boolean expression in the variables x , y , and z using the "building blocks" 0 , 1 , x , y , and z , and the construction rules:

Since x and y are Boolean expressions, so is xy .

Since z is a Boolean expression, so is $(-z)$.

Since xy and $(-z)$ are expressions, so is $xy + (-z)$.

... and so on...

Boolean Functions and Expressions

Example: Give a Boolean expression for the Boolean function $F(x, y)$ as defined by the following table:

x	y	$F(x, y)$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	0

Possible solution: $F(x, y) = (\neg x) \cdot y$

Boolean Functions and Expressions

Another Example:

x	y	z	F(x, y, z)
0	0	0	1
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	0

Possible solution I:

$$F(x, y, z) = -(xz + y)$$

Possible solution II:

$$F(x, y, z) = (-(xz))(-y)$$

Boolean Functions and Expressions

There is a simple method for deriving a Boolean expression for a function that is defined by a table. This method is based on **minterms**.

Definition: A **literal** is a Boolean variable or its complement. A **minterm** of the Boolean variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n is a Boolean product $y_1 y_2 \dots y_n$, where $y_i = x_i$ or $y_i = \neg x_i$.

Hence, a minterm is a product of n literals, with one literal for each variable.

Boolean Functions and Expressions

Consider $F(x,y,z)$ again:

x	y	z	$F(x, y, z)$
0	0	0	1
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	0

$F(x, y, z) = 1$ if and only if:

$$x = y = z = 0 \text{ or}$$

$$x = y = 0, z = 1 \text{ or}$$

$$x = 1, y = z = 0$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, y, z) = & (-x)(-y)(-z) + \\ & (-x)(-y)z + \\ & x(-y)(-z) \end{aligned}$$