Paper 7, TDC Part-3 Chapter- 4, Combinational Logic Design Lecture - 1

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Introduction: -

A logic expression can be realized using logic gates.

Before realizing the logical expression it can be reduced using boolean algebraic theorems. This reduces the number of logic gates and input lines in the realized logic expression. Therefore, the simplification of logic expression is very important as it saves the hardware required to design a specific system.

That is, our aim is to minimize the number of IC packages and thereby power consumption. An IC consists of large number of logic gates (logic function).

Basically, digital circuits are divided into two broad categories:

- 1. Combinational Circuits
- 2. Sequential Circuits

Combinational Circuits:

In combinational circuits, the outputs at any instant of time depend upon the inputs present at that instant of time. In other words we can say the digital circuits where the logic gates are connected together (combine) to provide the resultant output for certain specified combinations of input variables, with no storage.

So there is no memory in these circuits.

Design Requirements of combinational circuits may be specified in one of the following ways:

- 1. A set of statements 2. Boolean expression
- 3. Truth Table

There can be two different approaches to the design of combinational circuits. One of these is the traditional method, wherein the given Boolean expression or the truth table is simplified by using standard methods and the simplified expression is realized using the gates.

In the other method the logic expression or truth table does not require any simplification. The complex logic functions available in medium scale integrated circuits (MSI) can be used. Computer-aided design (CAD) tools are used for the design using PLDs and FPGAs.

Methods used to simplify boolean expressions or functions:-

- 1. Algebraic method
- 2. Karnaugh map method
- 3. Quine-McCluskey method
- 4. Variable entered mapping (VEM) technique.

Standard representations for logic functions:

Logic functions are expressed in terms of logical variables. As Values assumed by the logic variables is in binary form so the logic functions also assume value in binary form.

Any arbitrary logic function can be expressed in the following forms:

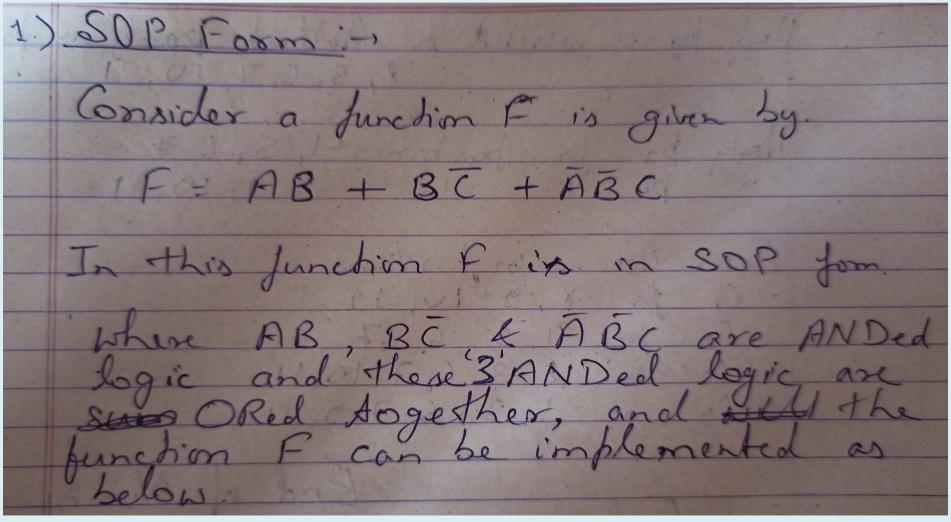
- 1. Sum-of-products (SOP) form
- 2. Product-of-sum (POS) form

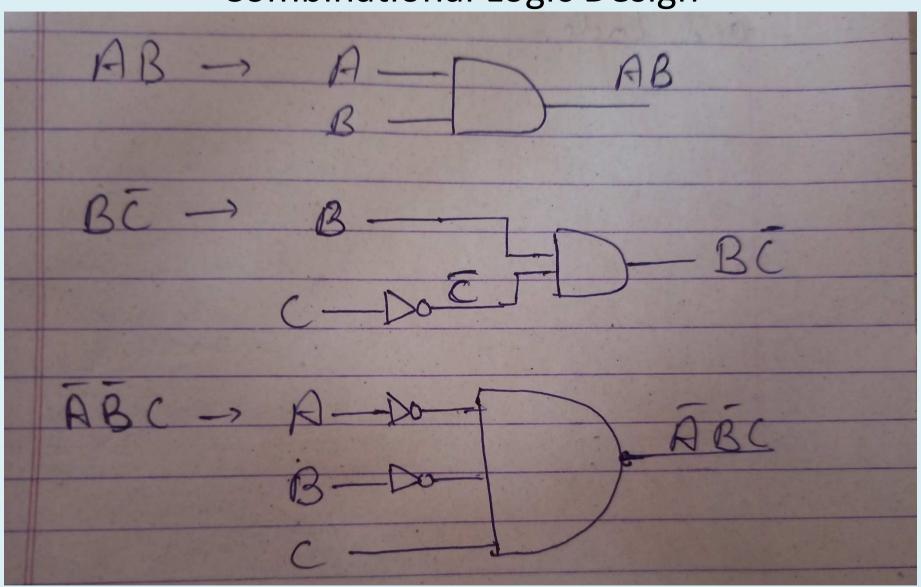
SOP form is called AND-OR logic where different ANDed functions are ORed together. It is the basic form for realizing standard Boolean Function.

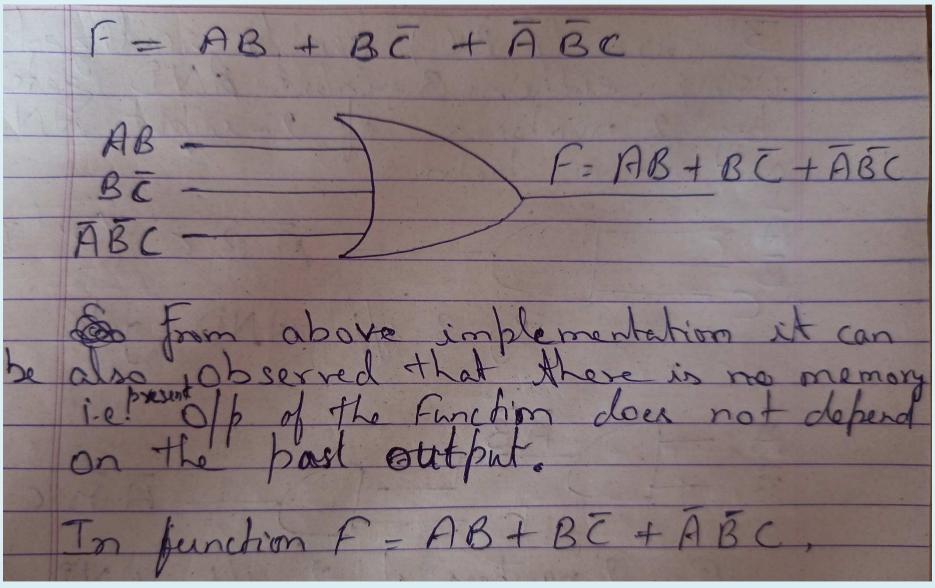
POS form is called OR-AND logic in which different ORed functions are ANDed together.

Logic functions can be written in other form too, but SOP & POS form are conveniently suited in arriving at the standard methods for designing the circuits.

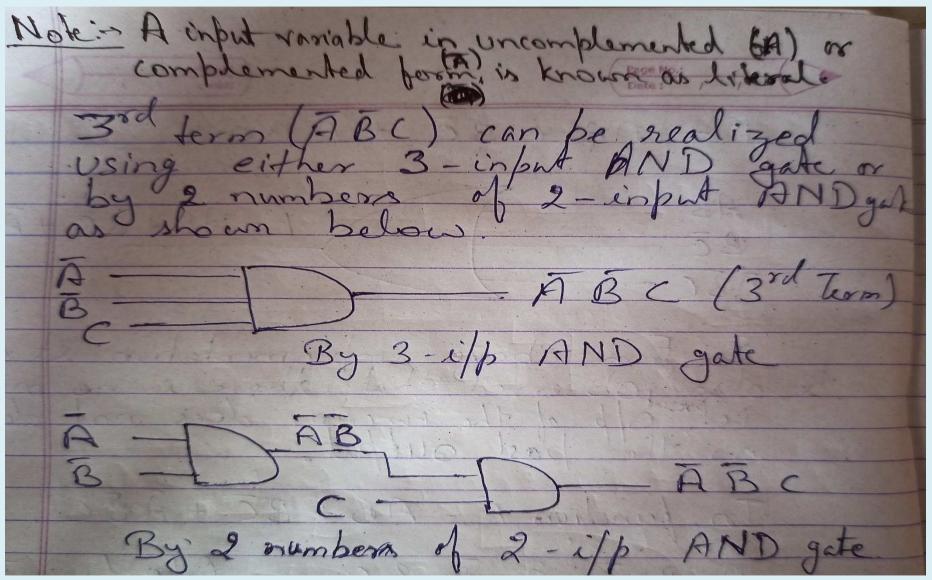
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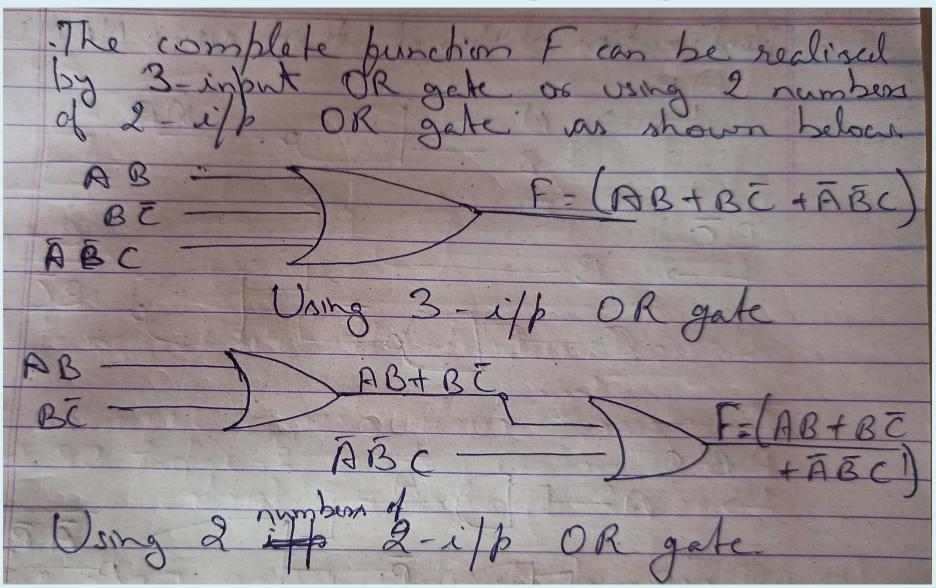


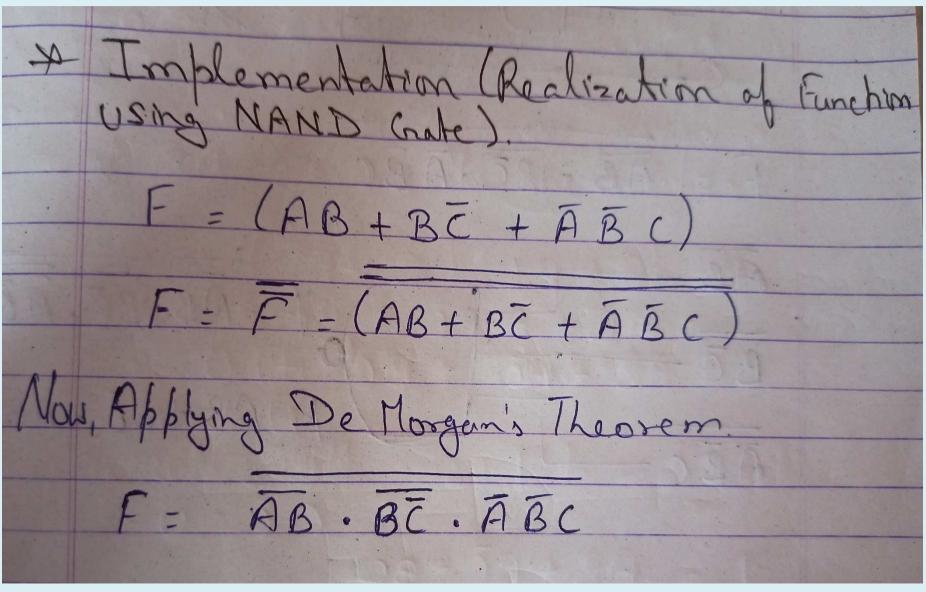


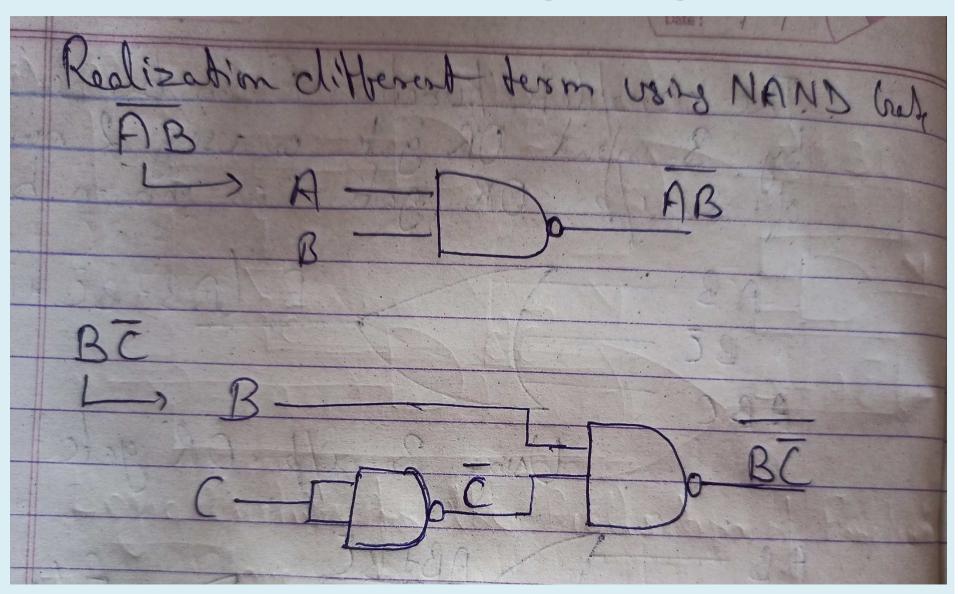


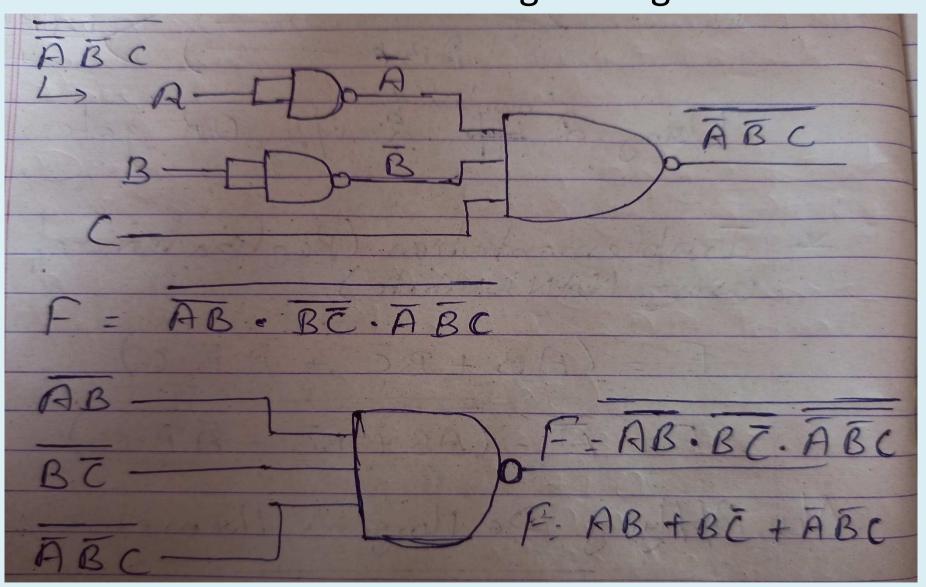
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