



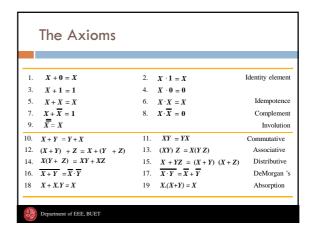
1937: Shannon is credited with founding both digital computer and digital circuit design theory, when, as a 21-year-old master's degree student at MIT, he wrote his thesis demonstrating that electrical applications of BOOLEAN algebra could construct and resolve any logical, numerical relationship.

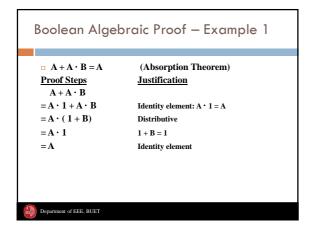


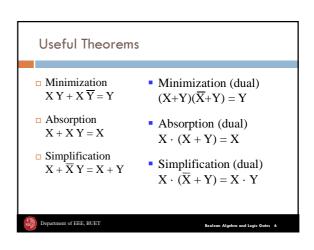
Claude Elwood Shannon (1916-2001) It has been claimed that this was the most

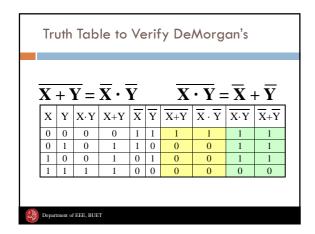
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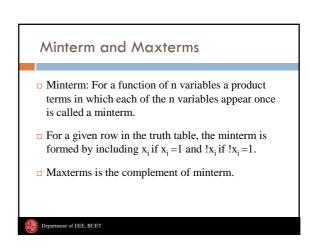


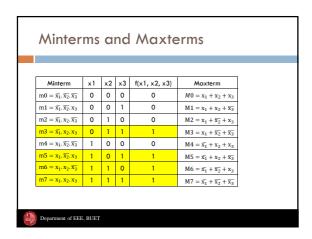


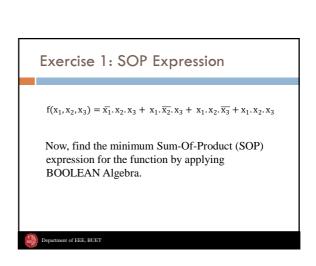


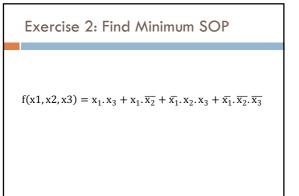
Suppose there are three switches x1, x2 and x3 to control a single light bulb L. The bulb is lit only if atleast two of the three switches is ON. Write down the truth table for controlling the bulb.

Exercise 1 Truth Table for Exercise 1 Now write down the function f(x1, x2, x3) for the bulb switching. x1 x2 x3 f(x1, x2, x3) 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 To do this we need to 1 1 0 0 understand minterms 0 first 0 1









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