

## Section 2-8 Complementing Boolean Expressions

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Complement: find the "NOT" of things  
Use de Morgan's Laws

$$\underline{(abcde)'} = \underline{a' + b' + c' + d' + e'}$$

$$\underline{(a + b + c + d + e)'} = \underline{a'b'c'd'e'}$$

Eg: the complement of the sum is the product of the complements

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Example

$$[(A' + B)C']'$$

You are done when there are no double primes left

Example Find inverse of

$$F = A'B + AB'$$

$$F' = (A'B + AB')'$$

$$= (A + B')(A' + B) \text{ de Morgan}$$

$$= AA' + AB + B'A' + B'B \text{ first dist}$$

$$= 0 + AB + B'A' + 0 \text{ complementarity}$$

$$= AB + A'B'$$

operation with 0  
(and commutative)