



**Ex:** Find the simplest Sum-Of-Products (SOP) form for the following Boolean expression:

$$(A+B)(\bar{A}+\bar{B})C$$

**SOL'N:** We first use the distributive law to expand the expression. This is akin to "foiling" the terms. (FOIL = first, outside, inside, last)

$$(A+B)(\bar{A}+\bar{B})C = (A\bar{A} + A\bar{B} + B\bar{A} + B\bar{B})C$$

Terms  $A\bar{A}$  and  $B\bar{B}$  are zero since a signal cannot be 1 and 0 at the same time.

$$(A+B)(\bar{A}+\bar{B})C = (A\bar{B} + B\bar{A})C$$

We use the distributive law again to get our final answer in SOP form:

$$(A+B)(\bar{A}+\bar{B})C = A\bar{B}C + B\bar{A}C$$