

Switching Algebra: Principle of Duality

- Any theorem or identity in switching algebra remains true if 0 and 1 are swapped and . and + are swapped.
- True because all the duals of all the axioms are true, so duals of all switching-algebra theorems can be proven using the duals of axioms.
- Dual of a logic expression: For a fully parenthesized logic expression $F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, +, \cdot, ')$ then the dual expression, F^D , is the same expression with +, . swapped:
$$F^D(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, +, \cdot, ') = F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \cdot, +, ')$$
- The generalized DeMorgan's theorem T14 can be stated as:

$$[F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)]' = F^D(X_1', X_2', \dots, X_n')$$

Switching Algebra Axioms & Theorems

(A1)	$X = 0$ if $X \cdot 1 = 1$	(A1')	$X = 1$ if $X \cdot 0 = 0$	
(A2)	If $X = 0$, then $X' = 1$	(A2')	if $X = 1$, then, $X' = 0$	
(A3)	$0 \cdot 0 = 0$	(A3')	$1 + 1 = 1$	
(A4)	$1 \cdot 1 = 1$	(A4')	$0 + 0 = 0$	
(A5)	$0 \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot 0 = 0$	(A5')	$1 + 0 = 0 + 1 = 1$	
(T1)	$X + 0 = X$	(T1')	$X \cdot 1 = X$	(Identities)
(T2)	$X + 1 = 1$	(T2')	$X \cdot 0 = 0$	(Null elements)
(T3)	$X + X = X$	(T3')	$X \cdot X = X$	(Idempotency)
(T4)	$(X')' = X$ (Involution)			
(T5)	$X + X' = 1$	(T5')	$X \cdot X' = 0$	(Complements)
(T6)	$X + Y = Y + X$	(T6')	$X \cdot Y = Y \cdot X$	(Commutativity)
(T7)	$(X + Y) + Z = X + (Y + Z)$	(T7')	$(X \cdot Y) \cdot Z = X \cdot (Y \cdot Z)$	(Associativity)
(T8)	$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z = X \cdot (Y + Z)$	(T8')	$(X + Y) \cdot (X + Z) = X + Y \cdot Z$	(Distributivity)
(T9)	$X + X \cdot Y = X$	(T9')	$X \cdot (X + Y) = X$	(Covering)
(T10)	$X \cdot Y + X \cdot Y' = X$	(T10')	$(X + Y) \cdot (X + Y') = X$	(Combining)
(T11)	$X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z + Y \cdot Z = X \cdot Y + X' \cdot Z$			
(T11')	$(X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z) \cdot (Y + Z) = (X + Y) \cdot (X' + Z)$			(Consensus)
(T12)	$X + X + \dots + X = X$	(T12')	$X \cdot X \cdot \dots \cdot X = X$	(Generalized idempotency)
(T13)	$(X_1 \cdot X_2 \cdot \dots \cdot X_n)' = X_1' + X_2' + \dots + X_n'$			
(T13')	$(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)' = X_1' \cdot X_2' \cdot \dots \cdot X_n'$			(DeMorgan's theorems)
(T14)	$[F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, +, \cdot)]' = F(X_1', X_2', \dots, X_n', \cdot, +)$			(Generalized DeMorgan's theorem)

Logic Expression Algebraic Manipulation Example

- Prove that the following identity is true using Algebraic expression Manipulation : (one can also prove it using a truth table)

$$\mathbf{X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z = ((X' + Y') \cdot (X' + Z'))'}$$

- Starting from the left hand side of the identity:

$$\text{Let } \mathbf{F = X \cdot Y + X \cdot Z}$$

$$\mathbf{A = X \cdot Y \quad B = X \cdot Z}$$

$$\text{Then } \mathbf{F = A + B}$$

- Using DeMorgan's theorem T 13 on F:

$$\mathbf{F = A + B = (A' \cdot B')' \quad (1)}$$

- Using DeMorgan's theorem T 13' on A, B:

$$\mathbf{A = X \cdot Y = (X' + Y')' \quad (2)}$$

$$\mathbf{B = X \cdot Z = (X' + Z')' \quad (3)}$$

- Substituting A, B from (2), (3), back in F in (1) gives:

$$\mathbf{F = (A' \cdot B')' = ((X' + Y') \cdot (X' + Z'))'}$$

Which is equal to the right hand side of the identity.

Standard Representations of Logic Functions

- Truth table for n-variable logic function:

Input combinations are arranged in 2^n rows in ascending binary order, and the output values are written in a column next to the rows.

- Practical for functions with a small number of variables.
- The general structure of a 3-variable truth table is given by:

Truth table for a specific function:

Row	X	Y	Z	F(X,Y,Z)
0	0	0	0	F(0,0,0)
1	0	0	1	F(0,0,1)
2	0	1	0	F(0,1,0)
3	0	1	1	F(0,1,1)
4	1	0	0	F(1,0,0)
5	1	0	1	F(1,0,1)
6	1	1	0	F(1,1,0)
7	1	1	1	F(1,1,1)

Row	X	Y	Z	F
0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
2	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	1	1
4	1	0	0	1
5	1	0	1	0
6	1	1	0	1
7	1	1	1	1

Logic Function Representation Definitions

- ***A literal:*** is a variable or a complement of a variable

Examples: X, Y, X', Y'

- ***A product term:*** is a single literal, or a product of two or more literals.

Examples: $Z' \quad W.Y.Y \quad X.Y'.Z \quad W'.Y'.Z$

- ***A sum-of-products expression:*** is a logical sum of product terms.

Example: $Z' + W.X.Y + X.Y'.Z + W'.Y'.Z$

- ***A sum term:*** is a single literal or logical sum of two or more literals

Examples: $Z' \quad W + X + Y \quad X + Y' + Z \quad W' + Y' + Z$

- ***A product-of-sums expression:*** is a logical product of sum terms.

Example: $Z'.(W + X + Y).(X + Y' + Z).(W' + Y' + Z)$

- ***A normal term:*** is a product or sum term in which no variable appears more than once

Examples of non-normal terms: $W.X.X.Y' \quad W+W+X'+Y \quad X.X'.Y$

Examples of normal terms: $W.X.Y' \quad W + X' + Y$

Logic Function Representation Definitions

- **Minterm**

An n-variable minterm is a normal product term with n literals.

There are 2^n such products terms.

Example of 4-variable minterms:

$$W.X'.Y'.Z' \quad W.X.Y'.Z \quad W'.X'.Y.Z'$$

- **Maxterm**

An n-variable maxterm is a normal sum term with n literals.

There are 2^n such sum terms.

Examples of 4-variable maxterms:

$$W' + X' + Y + Z' \quad W + X' + Y' + Z \quad W' + X' + Y + Z$$

- A minterm can be defined as a product term that is 1 in exactly one row of the truth table.
- A maxterm can similarly be defined as a sum term that is 0 in exactly one row in the truth table.

Minterms/Maxterms for A 3-variable function $F(X,Y,Z)$

Row	X	Y	Z	F	Minterm	Maxterm
0	0	0	0	$F(0,0,0)$	$X'.Y'.Z'$	$X + Y + Z$
1	0	0	1	$F(0,0,1)$	$X'.Y'.Z$	$X + Y + Z'$
2	0	1	0	$F(0,1,0)$	$X'.Y.Z'$	$X + Y' + Z$
3	0	1	1	$F(0,1,1)$	$X'.Y.Z$	$X + Y' + Z'$
4	1	0	0	$F(1,0,0)$	$X.Y'.Z'$	$X' + Y + Z$
5	1	0	1	$F(1,0,1)$	$X.Y'.Z$	$X' + Y + Z'$
6	1	1	0	$F(1,1,0)$	$X.Y.Z'$	$X' + Y' + Z$
7	1	1	1	$F(1,1,1)$	$X.Y.Z$	$X' + Y' + Z'$

Canonical Sum Representation

- **Minterm number:**

minterm i refers to the minterm corresponding to row i of the truth table. For n -variables i is in the set

$$\{0,1, \dots, 2^n-1\}$$

- **The canonical sum representation of a logic function is a sum of the minterms corresponding to the truth table rows for which the function produces a 1 output.**
- **A short-hand representation of the minterm list uses the S notation and minterm numbers to indicate the sum of minterms of the function.**
- **This representation is usually realized using 2-level AND-OR logic circuits with inverters at AND gates inputs as needed.**

Canonical Sum Example

- The function represented by the truth table:

Row	X	Y	Z	F
0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
2	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	1	1
4	1	0	0	1
5	1	0	1	0
6	1	1	0	1
7	1	1	1	1

has the canonical sum representation:

$$F = S_{X,Y,Z} (0, 3, 4, 6, 7) \leftarrow \text{Minterm list using } \Sigma \text{ notation}$$
$$= X'.Y'.Z' + X'.Y.Z + X.Y'.Z' + X.Y'.Z + X.Y.Z$$

Algebraic canonical sum of minterms

Canonical Product Representation

- **Maxterm i refers to the maxterm corresponding to row i of the truth table. For n -variables i is in the set**
$$\{0, 1, \dots, 2^n - 1\}$$
- **The canonical product representation of a logic function is the product of the maxterms corresponding to the truth table rows for which the function produces a 0 output.**
- **The product of such minterms is called a maxterm list**
- **A short-hand representation of the maxterm list uses the P notation and maxterm numbers to indicate the product of maxterms of the function.**
- **This representation is usually realized using 2-level OR-AND logic circuits with inverters at OR gates inputs as needed.**

Canonical Product Example

- The function represented by the truth table:

Row	X	Y	Z	F
0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
2	0	1	0	0
3	0	1	1	1
4	1	0	0	1
5	1	0	1	0
6	1	1	0	1
7	1	1	1	1

has the canonical product representation:

$$F = P_{X,Y,Z} (1,2,5) \leftarrow \text{Maxterm list using } \Pi \text{ notation}$$
$$= (X + Y + Z') \cdot (X + Y' + Z) \cdot (X' + Y + Z')$$

Algebraic canonical product of maxterms

Conversion Between Minterm/Maxterm Lists

- To convert between a minterm list and a maxterm list take the set complement.

Examples:

$$S_{X,Y,Z}(0,1,2,3) = P_{X,Y,Z}(4,5,6,7)$$

$$S_{X,Y}(1) = P_{X,Y}(0,2,3)$$

$$S_{W,X,Y,Z}(0,1,2,3,5,7,11,13) = P_{W,X,Y,Z}(4,6,8,9,12,14,15)$$