

# Simplification Using Algebraic Functions

In this approach, one Boolean expression is minimized into an equivalent expression by applying Boolean identities.

## Problem 1

Minimize the following Boolean expression using Boolean identities –

$$F(A, B, C) = A'B + BC' + BC + AB'C'$$

## Solution

Given,  $F(A, B, C) = A'B + BC' + BC + AB'C'$

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A'B + (BC' + BC') + BC + AB'C'$

[By idempotent law,  $BC' = BC' + BC'$ ]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A'B + (BC' + BC) + (BC' + AB'C')$

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A'B + B(C' + C) + C'(B + AB')$

[By distributive laws]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A'B + B.1 + C'(B + A)$

[  $(C' + C) = 1$  and absorption law  $(B + AB') = (B + A)$ ]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A'B + B + C'(B + A)$

[  $B.1 = B$  ]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = B(A' + 1) + C'(B + A)$

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = B.1 + C'(B + A)$

[  $(A' + 1) = 1$  ]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = B + C'(B + A)$

[ As,  $B.1 = B$  ]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = B + BC' + AC'$

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = B(1 + C') + AC'$

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = B.1 + AC'$

[As,  $(1 + C') = 1$ ]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = B + AC'$

[As,  $B.1 = B$ ]

So,  $F(A, B, C) = B + AC'$  is the minimized form.

## Problem 2

Minimize the following Boolean expression using Boolean identities –

$$F(A, B, C) = (A + B)(A + C)$$

## Solution

Given,  $F(A, B, C) = (A + B)(A + C)$

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A.A + A.C + B.A + B.C$  [Applying distributive Rule]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A + A.C + B.A + B.C$  [Applying Idempotent Law]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A(1 + C) + B.A + B.C$  [Applying distributive Law]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A + B.A + B.C$  [Applying dominance Law]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = (A + 1).A + B.C$  [Applying distributive Law]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = 1.A + B.C$  [Applying dominance Law]

Or,  $F(A, B, C) = A + B.C$  [Applying dominance Law]

So,  $F(A, B, C) = A + BC$  is the minimized form.