

Object Oriented Programming - IT3100E

# Logic Expression Normalizer

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# 1 Assignment of members

The following table show the tasks and the involvement of each members in each task:

Name	Diagrams	Source Code	Demo Video	Slide	Report
Lo Duc Tai	10%	50%	100%	0%	30%
Pham Quang Anh	0%	50%	0%	10%	35%
Bui Dang Quy	90%	0%	0%	90%	35%

Table 1: Involvement of members in each task

## 2 Description

### 2.1 Project Requirements

The *Logic Expression Normalizer* is designed to simplify and standardize logical expressions, primarily those expressed in Boolean algebra. The core functionality involves transforming various forms of logic expressions into a standard normal form, such as Disjunctive Normal Form - Sum of Product (SoP) or Conjunctive Normal Form - Product of Sum (PoS). To achieve this, the software must handle complex expressions comprising of multiple variables. A critical requirement is the development of a user-friendly interface that allows users to input their logical expressions effortlessly. The software should then process these inputs, validate their syntax, and convert them into the desired normal form, ensuring that the output is both accurate and simplified. Additionally, robust error-checking mechanisms are necessary to manage invalid inputs and syntax errors, providing feedback to users to correct any mistakes. The overall goal is to create an intuitive tool that assists users in understanding and manipulating logical expressions efficiently.

### 2.2 Use-case Diagram

The use case diagram provided outlines the interaction between the user and the *Logic Expression Normalizer* software.

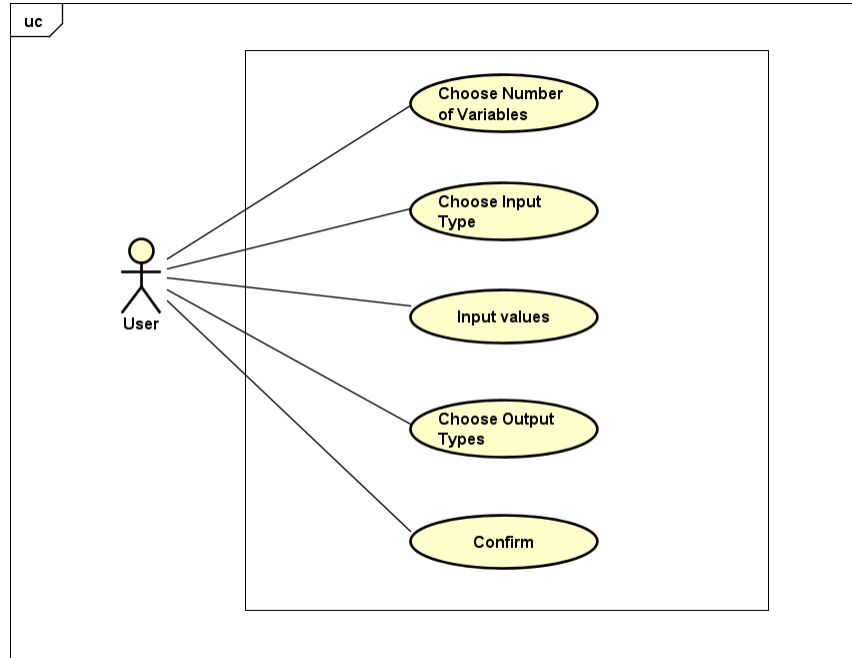


Figure 1: UseCase Diagram demonstrates how the application works

– **Choose Number of Variables:**

- **Objective:** Determine the scope of the logical expression by specifying the number of variables involved.

– **Details:**

- \* **User Interaction:** The user is presented with a menu to select the number of variables (3 or 4 in this case).
- \* **System Response:** Once a selection is made, the system prepares the interface for the next steps, ensuring that subsequent input fields can accommodate the chosen number of variables.

– **Choose Input Type:**

- **Objective:** Specify the format of the logical expression input.

– **Details:**

- \* **User Interaction:** The user is given several options for the input type, such as:
  - **Truth Table:** A table where users can fill in true/false values for all combinations of variables.
  - **Logical Formula:** An input box where users can type a logical expression using variables and operators.
  - **Others:** Possibly other forms like Karnaugh maps or standard forms.

- \* **System Response:** Based on the chosen input type, the system dynamically adjusts the input interface:
    - For a truth table, a matrix of input fields is generated corresponding to the number of variables.
    - For a logical formula, a single text input box is provided.
- **Input Values:**
  - **Objective:** Receive the specific values or logical expressions.
  - **Details:**
    - \* **User Interaction:**
      - **Truth Table:** The user fills in the table with true (1) or false (0) values for each combination of variable states. Since the user already input number of variables, the users selects
    - \* **System Response:** The system provides real-time feedback:
      - For truth tables, it checks that all required fields are filled.
      - For logical formulas, it checks for proper syntax and highlights any errors.
- **Choose Output Types:**
  - **Objective:** Select the desired format for the normalized output.
  - **Details:**
    - \* **User Interaction:** The user chooses from available output formats, such as:
      - **Sum of Products (SoP):** A standard form where the expression is a disjunction (Sum) of conjunctive clauses (Product).
      - **Product of Sum (PoS):** A standard form where the expression is a conjunction of disjunctive clauses.
    - \* **System Response:** The system notes the selected output type and prepares to process the input accordingly.
- **Present the result:**
  - **Objective:** Review and finalize the input and choices, then proceed with normalization.
  - **Details:**
    - \* **User Interaction:**
      - Users can scroll through the panel if the result display is larger than the given display area.
      - Users can show the circuit diagram for logic expression and save the diagram image.
    - \* **System Response:** Upon confirmation, the system processes the input to generate the normalized output:
      - If user wants to save the diagram image, the system pops up a window of File Explorer to designate the image location
    - \* **Validation:**

# 3 Design

## 3.1 General class diagram

Our project is divided into 2 main sections: the algorithm part handles all the logical expression processing, the UI part displays the required UI. All logical values will be stored as instances of class Minterm. For each time the user uses the simplification functionality, a new ColumnTable is created to find the prime implicants, then it will be sent to a PITable to form the final expression.

All of the necessary details will be displayed in the OutputScreen.

## 3.2 Algorithm class diagram

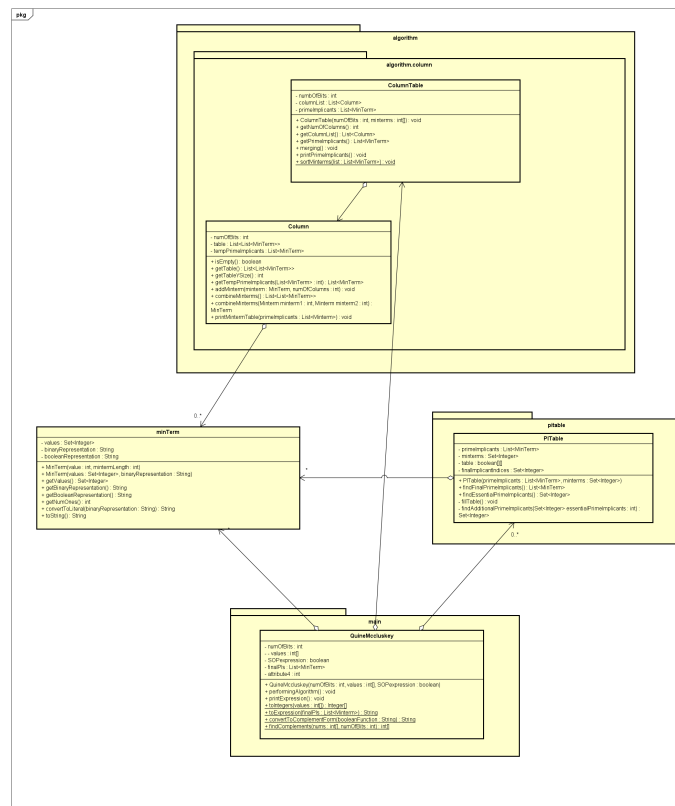


Figure 2: Overview of Algorithm Diagram

After the user have selected the minterms from the InputScreen and the output format (SoP or PoS), a new QuineMcCluskey instance is created to simplify the expression.

First, a ColumnTable is created. It tries to merge the implicants until no more new ones can be created. Each iteration creates a new instance of Column to store the data for displaying purpose.

When the merging stops, it stores a list of Prime Implicants. This list will be put in the PITable, to select the necessary implicants for the final simplified expression.

### **Attributes and methods of each class**

#### **1. Minterm**

(For better explanation, we'll give an example of a new minterm composed of integer values 6 and 7)

Attributes:

- values: a set of integers corresponding to that implicants ((6,7) with binary values 0110 and 0111)
- binaryRepresentation: the implicant's binary representation (011-)
- booleanRepresentation: the implicants's Boolean representation. (This representation uses the capitalized English alphabet letters, starting from the left, to store the literals of expression. In this case, it is stored as 'A'BC '-' the apostrophe represents NOT operation)

Methods:

- Minterm(int value, int mintermLength): constructor with the input of a single value, used by the first column when initiate the data.
- Minterm(Set <Integer> values, String binaryRepresentation): overloading constructor for multiple-value implicants. The binaryRepresentation needs to be calculated beforehand.
- getValues(), getBinaryRepresentation(), getBooleanRepresentation(): getters of corresponding attributes.
- getNumOnes(): returns number of 1s of implicants. This method is important for the process of merging.
- convertToLiteralString(String binaryRepresentation): returns the BooleanRepresentation for the constructors.
- toString(): (for testing purposes only) override the string representation to print the values.
- getPositionOfBinaries(): returns the positions of don't care values, use for generating circuit diagram.

#### **2. Column**

Attributes:

- numOfBits: number of bits
- table: a 2D dynamic array that contains all the implicants for that column. Rows organized by number of 1s in the implicants.
- tempPrimeImplicants: store the prime implicants of that column. This value will be collected by the ColumnTable later.

Methods:

- Column(int numOfBits) and Column(int numOfBits, List<List<Minterm>> table): constructor of class Column. The first one is used for the first column, the later one overrides to construct Column for next columns.
- isEmpty(): check if the table is empty, for display purposes
- getTable(), getTableYSize(), getTempPrimeImplicants: getters of attributes. getTableYSize() is used for displaying purposes
- addMinterm(): add an implicant to the corresponding row
- combineMinterms(...): there are 2 versions of this method, one to return the merged value, and one to create an entire new table contain the merged values
- printMintermTable(): (for testing purposes only) print the table to the Terminal

### 3. ColumnTable

Attributes:

- numOfBits: number of bits
- columnList: the List of Column(s) for the merging process
- primeImplicants: the List of prime implicants.

Methods:

- ColumnTable(int: numOfBits, int[] minterms): constructor for ColumnTable, initiate by an array of minterms. The merging process is also done during the construction.
- getNumOfColumns(), getColumnList(), getPrimeImplicants(): getters of attributes
- merging(): loops the merging process until the new possible table is empty (no more merging can be done)
- sortMinterms(): sorts the primeImplicants in order. This serves as preparation for the next step, implicants that have fewer values are prioritized.

**This is based on the real world application of logical expression simplifier, since fewer values means less logic gates are used. A 4-input AND gate uses 3 2-input AND gates**

### 4. PTable

Attributes:

- primeImplicants: list of prime implicants
- minterm: set of all minterms used by the primeImplicants
- table: table of prime implicants selection
- finalImplicantsIndices: to get the final implicant positions

Methods:

- PTable(List <Minterm> primeImplicants, Set <Integer> primeImplicants): constructor for class PTable, it receives a list of Prime Implicants (PI), as well as a list of minterms covered by all the PIs



5. **QuinneMccluskey**: this class wraps all the functionality of the algorithm package for

```

classDiagram
    class GunnMcCluskey {
    }
    class Window {
    }
    class OutputScreen {
        -session GunnMcCluskey
        -calculateStyle boolean
        +OutputScreen(session GunnMcCluskey, column: ColumnTable, calculateStyle boolean)
        +createDiagram() Button
        +createEquationPanel(session GunnMcCluskey, calculateStyle boolean) void
        +createAnswerPanel(session GunnMcCluskey) void
        +createTableColumn(ColumnTable, session GunnMcCluskey) void
        +createIntermediateColumns(session GunnMcCluskey, column: ColumnTable) void
        +createFullPanel() void
        +actPerform() void
    }
    class InputScreen {
        -valueSession _JCheckBox
        -numberOfVariables int
        -submitButton Button
        +InputScreen(numberOfVariables int)
        +createChoosingPanel() Panel
        +addNewToChoosingPanel(choosingPanel _Panel) void
        +addPreviousToChoosingPanel(choosingPanel _Panel) void
        +addNewToChoosingPanel(choosingPanel _Panel) int
        +createFullPanel() Panel
        +createDiagram() String size Dimension() Button
        +actPerform() void
    }
    class Transition {
        -value int
        -calculateStyle boolean
        -numberOfVariables int
        +Transition(session numberOfVariables int, panel _Panel) void
        +Transition(selectedPanel _Panel) void
        +TransitionToOutputScreen(panel _Panel, runOfCells int) void
        +openDiagram(session GunnMcCluskey) void
    }
    class mainMenu {
        -threeVariables gross distribution Button
        -fourVariables gross distribution Button
        -description distribution Button
        -validation Button
        +display()
        +inputPanel() void
        +createFullPanel() void
        +createIntermediatePanel() void
        +createFullPanel() String size Dimension() Button
        +actPerform() void
    }
    class DescriptionPanel {
        -description String
        -size String
        +DescriptionPanel()
    }
    class LightCircuitDiagram {
        -materialList List<Material>
        -numberOfVariables int
        -calculateStyle boolean
        +LightCircuitDiagram(materialList List<Material>, numberOfVariables int, calculateStyle boolean)
        +panel() Circuit() BufferingImage
        +calculateImageAndDistance(BETWEEN_ROW, double) double
        +DISTANCE_BETWEEN_ROW_GROUP int double
        +calculateImageAndDistance(BETWEEN_COLUMN, double) double
        +DRAWING_IMAGE_WIDTH double
        +DISTANCE_BETWEEN_COLUMN double, imageHeight double) void
        +DRAWING_IMAGE_HEIGHT double
        +DISTANCE_BETWEEN_ROW double, imageWidth double, imageHeight double) void
        +DRAWING_IMAGE_WIDTH double, imageHeight double) void
        +DRAWING_IMAGE_HEIGHT double, imageWidth double, imageHeight double) void
        +DRAWING_IMAGE_WIDTH double, imageHeight double, imageWidth double, imageHeight double) void
    }
    class DrawingUtils {
    }
    class ANDShape {
        + ANDShape()
    }
    class ORShape {
        + ORShape()
    }
    GunnMcCluskey <|-- OutputScreen
    GunnMcCluskey <|-- InputScreen
    Window <|-- OutputScreen
    Window <|-- InputScreen
    OutputScreen --> Transition
    InputScreen --> Transition
    Transition --> mainMenu
    Transition --> DescriptionPanel
    Transition --> LightCircuitDiagram
    Transition --> DrawingUtils
    Transition --> ANDShape
    Transition --> ORShape
    
```

For the UI of our project, we used the Swing package to develop it. Our UI consists of 3 main part:

- The Window class, which inherits the JFrame class, acts as a container that contains our other components
- The Screen classes, which inherit the JPanel class and will be added into our main Frame during the runtime of our program
- The Utility classes, including the transition logic class, the drawing utilities and the calculate style choice.

### 1. **Window**

The Window class, which inherits the JFrame class, acts as a container to display the screens of our program.

Methods:

- Window(JPanel panel): The constructor of Window class. It takes a JPanel as parameter and create a JFrame to contain this panel. The Constructor also set the attribute of the Frame (dimension, visibility,...).

### 2. **Transition**

The Transition class is an utility class that contains the methods required to switch between screens when invoked. This class also keep track of the numberOfVariables and calculateStyle variables, which are used by many different classes.

Attributes:

- values: List of the values taken from the input, this is necessary since we need this to calculate the output
- calculateStyle: A boolean variable that instruct our program which type of calculation to do. False is Sum Of Products and True is Product Of Sums
- numberOfVariables: the number of variables that our program can process, it varies between 3 and 4 variables

Methods: We swap between screens by using these methods. They all operate very similarly by remove the current panel and add new panel afterward.

- transitionToInputScreen: Transition to input screen. Accessible from the main menu
- transitionToMainMenu: Transition to the main menu. Accessible from the input and output screens
- transitionToOutputScreen: Transition to Output screen. Accessible from the input screen. Aside from the transition, this method also invoke an instance of QuinneMcCluskey object, which enable us to get the output.
- openDiagram: Used to open the circuit diagram. Accessible from the output screen.

### 3. **MainMenu**

The MainMenu class acts as a hub for user to access to the functions of our program. It allow user to choose between 3 and 4 variables calculation, it also has a description button that show a brief description of the program. The exit button closes the program.

Methods:

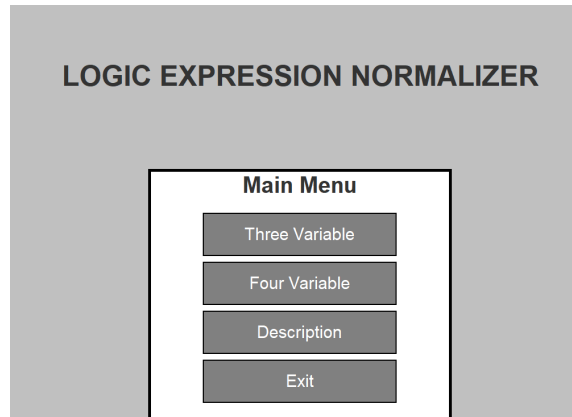


Figure 4: Illustration of the Main Menu

- MainMenu: Constructor of the class.
- setupPanel: Assign the attributes (color, size,...) of the panel
- createTitleBox: Create the title.
- createMenuPanel: Create the subpanel that contains the buttons.
- createButton: Create buttons

#### 4. InputScreen

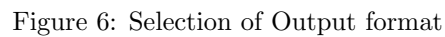
A	B	C	Y
0	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>
0	0	1	<input type="checkbox"/>
0	1	0	<input type="checkbox"/>
0	1	1	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	0	1	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	1	0	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	1	1	<input type="checkbox"/>

Figure 5: Three Variables input screen

The InputScreen provides an interface allows user to choose the values in the form of a truth table. Its appearance changes based on the number of variables. Consists of a subpanel that allow users to choose the input, a Submit button and a Back button.

Methods:

- ## 5. CalculateStyle



## 6. OutputScreen



## 7. LogicCircuitDiagram

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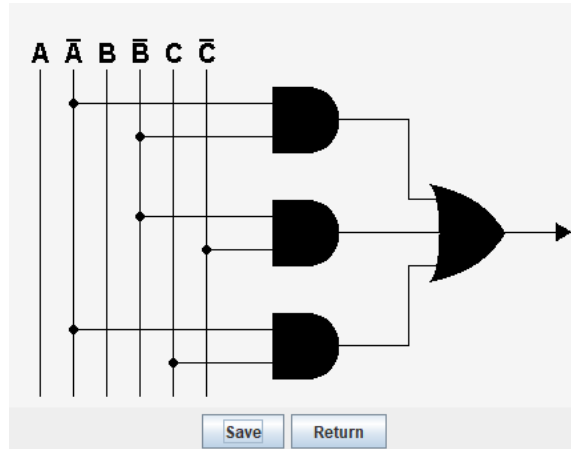


Figure 8: Circuit corresponding to the input 0,1,3,4

## 4 Explanation of design

### 4.1 Inheritance

Inheritance is used for the creation of UI, where we use classes of Java Swing like JDialog, JFrame, JPanel to create different screens.

### 4.2 Overloading

Constructor of class Minterm is overridden for easier construction. One constructor takes integer as input, while one takes a set of integer and its binary representation (which is pre-calculated).

```
// Constructor for single-value minterm
public Minterm(int value, int mintermLength) {
    this.values = new HashSet<>();
    this.values.add(value);
    String binary = Integer.toBinaryString(value);

    this.binaryRepresentation = String.format("%" + mintermLength + "s", binary).replace(' ', '0');
    this.booleanRepresentation = convertToLiteral(binaryRepresentation);
}

// Constructor for multi-value minterm
public Minterm(Set<Integer> values, String binaryRepresentation) {
    this.values = values;
    this.binaryRepresentation = binaryRepresentation;
    this.booleanRepresentation = convertToLiteral(binaryRepresentation);
}
```

Figure 9: Aggregation relation between Column and Minterm

### 4.3 Encapsulation

Most of classes' attributes can only be accessed by getter methods, and only the necessary ones can be acquired through methods.

### 4.4 Aggregation

The ColumnTable contains a list of Column, while Column contains a 2D array of Minterms.

```
public class Column {  
    private int numOfBits;  
    private List<List<Minterm>> table;  
    private List<Minterm> tempPrimeImplicants;
```

Figure 10: Aggregation relation between Column and Minterm

```
public class Column {  
    private int numOfBits;  
    private List<List<Minterm>> table;  
    private List<Minterm> tempPrimeImplicants;
```

Figure 11: Aggregation relation between ColumnTable and Column

## 5 Conclusion

The Quine-McCluskey method is a powerful and precise tool for minimizing Boolean functions, particularly advantageous when dealing with a large number of variables where traditional methods like Karnaugh maps fall short. Despite its computational demands, its systematic approach ensures thorough minimization, making it a valuable technique in digital logic design and computer engineering