## **DNF**

**HOW TO CREATE IT?** 

#### Logical Operators

Disjunction

Do we need all these?

- Conjunction
- → Negation
- $\rightarrow$  Implication  $p \rightarrow q \Leftrightarrow \neg p \lor q$
- $\oplus$  Exclusive or  $(p \land \neg q) \lor (\neg p \land q)$
- $\leftrightarrow$  Biconditional  $p \leftrightarrow q \Leftrightarrow$

$$(p \rightarrow q) \land (q \rightarrow p) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$(\neg p \lor q) \land (\neg q \lor p)$$

### Functionally Complete

- A set of logical operators is called functionally complete if every compound proposition is logically equivalent to a compound proposition involving only this set of logical operators.
- ∧, ∨, and ¬ form a functionally complete set of operators.

## Are $\neg(p \lor (\neg p \land q))$ and $(\neg p \land \neg q)$ equivalent?

$$\neg (p \lor (\neg p \land q))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg p \land \neg (\neg p \land q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg p \land (\neg \neg p \lor \neg q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \neg p \land (p \lor \neg q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\neg p \land p) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (p \land \neg p) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$
F  $\vee$ ( $\neg$ p  $\wedge$  $\neg$ q)

$$\Leftrightarrow (\neg p \land \neg q) \lor F$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (\neg p \land \neg q)$$

DeMorgan

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**Double Negation** 

Distribution

Commutative

And Contradiction

Commutative

Identity

## Are $\neg(p \lor (\neg p \land q))$ and $(\neg p \land \neg q)$ equivalent?

- Even though both are expressed with only
   ∧, ∨, and ¬, it is still hard to tell without doing a proof.
- What we need is a unique representation of a compound proposition that uses ∧, ∨, and ¬.
- This unique representation is called the Disjunctive Normal Form.

#### Disjunctive Normal Form

- A disjunction of conjunctions where every variable or its negation is represented once in each conjunction (a *minterm*)
  - each minterm appears only once

Example: DNF of p⊕q is

$$(p \land \neg q) \lor (\neg p \land q)$$

#### Truth Table

| p | q | p⊕q | $(p \land \neg q) \lor (\neg p \land q)$ |
|---|---|-----|--|
| T | T | F   | F  |
| T | F | T   | T  |
| F | T | T   | T  |
| F | F | F   | F  |

#### Method to construct DNF

- Construct a truth table for the proposition.
- Use the rows of the truth table where the proposition is True to construct minterms
  - If the variable is true, use the propositional variable in the minterm
  - If a variable is false, use the negation of the variable in the minterm
- Connect the minterms with v's.

#### How to find the DNF of $(p \lor q) \rightarrow \neg r$

| p                         | q                         | r                         | $(p \vee q)$              | $\neg r$         | $(p \lor q) \rightarrow \neg r$ |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| T                         | T                         | T                         | T                         | F                | F                               |
| $\boldsymbol{T}$          | T                         | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | T                | T                               |
| T                         | F                         | T                         | T                         | F                | F                               |
| T                         | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | T                | T                               |
| F                         | T                         | T                         | T                         | F                | F                               |
| $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | T                | T                               |
| $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{F}$ | T                               |
| $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                | T                               |
|                           |                           |                           | l                         |                  | I                               |

There are five sets of input that make the statement true. Therefore there are five minterms.

| p                         | q                         | r                         | $(p \lor q)$              | $\neg r$ | $(p \lor q) \rightarrow \neg r$ |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| T                         | T                         | T                         | T                         | F        | F                               |
| $\boldsymbol{T}$          | T                         | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | T        | T                               |
| T                         | F                         | T                         | T                         | F        | F                               |
| $\boldsymbol{T}$          | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | T        | T                               |
| F                         | T                         | T                         | T                         | F        | F                               |
| $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | T        | T                               |
| $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | T                         | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | F        | T                               |
| $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{\mathit{F}}$ | $\boldsymbol{F}$          | T        | T                               |

From the truth table we can set up the DNF

$$\begin{array}{c} (p \lor q) \longrightarrow \neg r \iff (p \land q \land \neg r) \lor (p \land \neg q \land \neg r) \lor \\ (\neg p \land q \land \neg r) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q \land r) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q \land \neg r) \end{array}$$

# Can we show that just ¬ and ∧ form a set of functionally complete operands?

It is sufficient to show that  $p \vee q$  can be written in terms of  $\neg$  and  $\land$ . Then using DNF, we can write every compound proposition in terms of  $\neg$  and  $\land$ .

$$(p \lor q)$$
  
 $\Leftrightarrow (\neg \neg p \lor \neg \neg q)$  Double negation (2)  
 $\Leftrightarrow \neg (\neg p \land \neg q)$  DeMorgan

Find an expression equivalent to  $p \rightarrow q$  that uses only conjunctions and negations.

| p | q | $p \rightarrow q$ | How many mintages in        |  |
|---|---|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| T | T | T                 | How many minterms ithe DNF? |  |
| T | F | F                 |                             |  |
| F | T | T                 |                             |  |
| F | F | T                 |                             |  |

The DNF of  $p \rightarrow q$  is  $(p \land q) \lor (\neg p \land q) \lor (\neg p \land \neg q)$ .

Then, applying DeMorgan's Law, we get that this is equivalent to

$$\neg [\neg (p \land q) \land \neg (\neg p \land q) \land \neg (\neg p \land \neg q)].$$

Now can we write an equivalent statement to  $p \rightarrow q$  that uses only disjunctions and negations?

$$p \rightarrow q$$
 $\Leftrightarrow \neg [\neg (p \land q) \land \neg (\neg p \land q) \land \neg (\neg p \land \neg q)]$  From Before

 $\Leftrightarrow \neg [(\neg p \lor \neg q) \land (\neg \neg p \lor \neg q) \land (\neg \neg p \lor \neg \neg q)]$  DeMorgan

 $\Leftrightarrow \neg [(\neg p \lor \neg q) \land (p \lor \neg q) \land (p \lor q)]$  Doub. Neg.

 $\Leftrightarrow [\neg (\neg p \lor \neg q) \lor \neg (p \lor \neg q) \lor \neg (p \lor q)]$  DeMorgan