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Homework 1

2.1. The proof is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x + y) \cdot (x + z) &= xx + xz + xy + yz \\
 &= x + xz + xy + yz \\
 &= x(1 + z + y) + yz \\
 &= x \cdot 1 + yz \\
 &= x + yz
 \end{aligned}$$

2.2. The proof is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x + y) \cdot (x + \bar{y}) &= xx + xy + x\bar{y} + y\bar{y} \\
 &= x + xy + x\bar{y} + 0 \\
 &= x(1 + y + \bar{y}) \\
 &= x \cdot 1 \\
 &= x
 \end{aligned}$$

2.3. Manipulate the left hand side as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 xy + yz + \bar{x}z &= xy + (x + \bar{x})yz + \bar{x}z \\
 &= xy + xyz + \bar{x}yz + \bar{x}z \\
 &= xy(1 + z) + \bar{x}(y + 1)z \\
 &= xy \cdot 1 + \bar{x} \cdot 1 \cdot z \\
 &= xy + \bar{x}z
 \end{aligned}$$

2.10. Starting with the canonical sum-of-products for f get

$$\begin{aligned}
 f &= \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_2x_3 + \bar{x}_1x_2\bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_1x_2x_3 + x_1\bar{x}_2\bar{x}_3 + x_1\bar{x}_2x_3 + x_1x_2\bar{x}_3 + x_1x_2x_3 \\
 &= x_1(\bar{x}_2\bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_2x_3 + x_2\bar{x}_3 + x_2x_3) + x_2(\bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_1x_3 + x_1\bar{x}_3 + x_1x_3) \\
 &\quad + x_3(\bar{x}_1\bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_1x_2 + x_1\bar{x}_2 + x_1x_2) \\
 &= x_1(\bar{x}_2(\bar{x}_3 + x_3) + x_2(\bar{x}_3 + x_3)) + x_2(\bar{x}_1(\bar{x}_3 + x_3) + x_1(\bar{x}_3 + x_3)) \\
 &\quad + x_3(\bar{x}_1(\bar{x}_2 + x_2) + x_1(\bar{x}_2 + x_2)) \\
 &= x_1(\bar{x}_2 \cdot 1 + x_2 \cdot 1) + x_2(\bar{x}_1 \cdot 1 + x_1 \cdot 1) + x_3(\bar{x}_1 \cdot 1 + x_1 \cdot 1) \\
 &= x_1(\bar{x}_2 + x_2) + x_2(\bar{x}_1 + x_1) + x_3(\bar{x}_1 + x_1) \\
 &= x_1 \cdot 1 + x_2 \cdot 1 + x_3 \cdot 1 \\
 &= x_1 + x_2 + x_3
 \end{aligned}$$

2.11. Starting with the canonical product-of-sums for f can derive:

$$\begin{aligned}
f &= (x_1 + x_2 + x_3)(x_1 + x_2 + \bar{x}_3)(x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + x_3)(x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3) \cdot \\
&\quad (\bar{x}_1 + x_2 + x_3)(\bar{x}_1 + x_2 + \bar{x}_3)(\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2 + x_3) \\
&= ((x_1 + x_2 + x_3)(x_1 + x_2 + \bar{x}_3))((x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + x_3)(x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3)) \cdot \\
&\quad ((\bar{x}_1 + x_2 + x_3)(\bar{x}_1 + x_2 + \bar{x}_3))((\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2 + x_3)(\bar{x}_1 + x_2 + x_3)) \\
&= (x_1 + x_2 + x_3\bar{x}_3)(x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + x_3\bar{x}_3) \cdot \\
&\quad (\bar{x}_1 + x_2 + x_3\bar{x}_3)(\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2x_2 + x_3) \\
&= (x_1 + x_2)(x_1 + \bar{x}_2)(\bar{x}_1 + x_2)(\bar{x}_1 + x_3) \\
\\
&= (x_1 + x_2\bar{x}_2)(\bar{x}_1 + x_2x_3) \\
&= x_1(\bar{x}_1 + x_2x_3) \\
&= x_1\bar{x}_1 + x_1x_2x_3 \\
&= x_1x_2x_3
\end{aligned}$$

2.25. The simplest SOP expression for the function is

$$\begin{aligned}
f &= \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3\bar{x}_5 + \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3\bar{x}_4 + \bar{x}_1x_4x_5 + x_1\bar{x}_2\bar{x}_3x_5 \\
&= \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3\bar{x}_5 + \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3\bar{x}_4 + \bar{x}_1x_4x_5 + \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3x_5 + x_1\bar{x}_2\bar{x}_3x_5 \\
&= \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3\bar{x}_4 + \bar{x}_1x_4x_5 + x_1\bar{x}_2\bar{x}_3x_5 \\
&= \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_1x_4x_5 + x_1\bar{x}_2\bar{x}_3x_5 \\
&= \bar{x}_1\bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_1x_4x_5 + \bar{x}_2\bar{x}_3x_5
\end{aligned}$$

2.26. The simplest POS expression for the function is

$$\begin{aligned}
f &= (\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_4)(\bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3 + x_4)(x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3) \\
&= (\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_4)(\bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3 + x_4)(\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3)(x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3) \\
&= (\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_4)(\bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3 + x_4)(\bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3) \\
&= (\bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_3 + \bar{x}_4)(\bar{x}_2 + \bar{x}_3)
\end{aligned}$$