

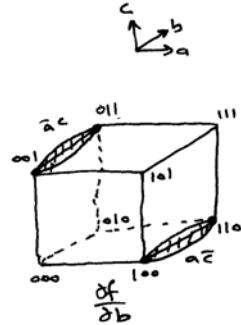
HW # 2

$$\text{Q1} \quad f = ab + bc + ac$$

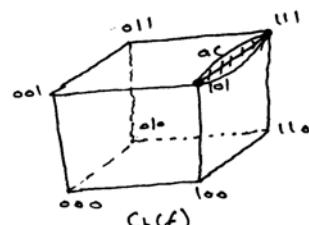
$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial b} = f_b + f_{\bar{b}}$$

$$f_b = a+c ; f_{\bar{b}} = ac$$

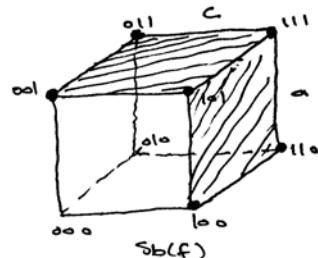
$$\begin{aligned} (a+c) + ac &= (a+c)\bar{a}\bar{c} + (\bar{a}+c)ac \\ &= (a+c)(\bar{a}+\bar{c}) + \bar{a}\bar{c}.ac \\ &= a\bar{c} + \bar{a}c \end{aligned}$$



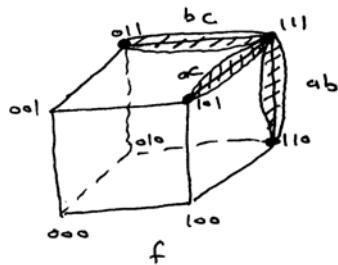
$$\begin{aligned} c_b(f) &= f_b \cdot f_{\bar{b}} = (a+c).ac \\ &= ac \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} s_b(f) &= f_b + f_{\bar{b}} \\ &= (a+c) + ac \\ &= a+c \end{aligned}$$



Function representation:



Q2

$$f = ab + bc + ac$$

$$\phi_1 = a \quad \phi_2 = \bar{a}b \quad \phi_3 = \bar{a}\bar{b}$$

$$f = \phi_1 f_{\phi_1} + \phi_2 f_{\phi_2} + \phi_3 f_{\phi_3}$$

$$f \cdot \phi_1 \leq f_{\phi_1} \leq f + \bar{\phi}_1$$

$$ab + ac \leq f_{\phi_1} \leq a + ab + bc + ac = \bar{a} + b + c$$

$$f \cdot \phi_2 \leq f_{\phi_2} \leq f + \bar{\phi}_2$$

$$\bar{a}bc \leq f_{\phi_2} \leq a + \bar{b} + c$$

$$f \cdot \phi_3 \leq f_{\phi_3} \leq f + \bar{\phi}_3$$

$$0 \leq f_{\phi_3} \leq a + b$$

$$\Rightarrow f = a(\bar{a} + b + c) + \bar{a}b(\bar{a}bc) + \bar{a}\bar{b}(0)$$

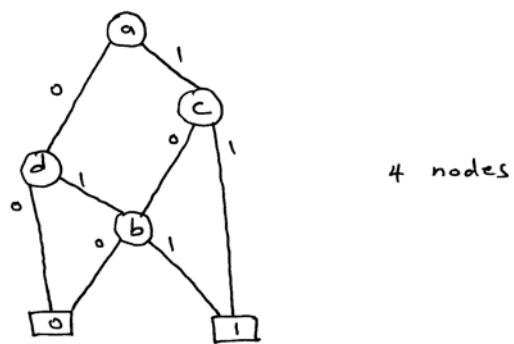
Note that there are several solutions as
any of the cofactors can be used.
For example, the following cofactors can be
used also: $f_{\phi_1} = b + c$; $f_{\phi_2} = c$; $f_{\phi_3} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow f = a(b + c) + \bar{a}b(c) + \bar{a}\bar{b}(0)$$

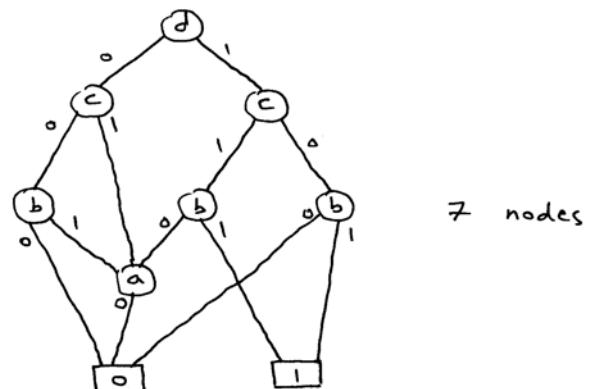
These cofactors are obtained by substituting
the value of the basis in the function.

Q3 $f = ab + ac + bd$

One variable order that minimize the size of the ROBDD is $\{a, c, d, b\}$. The corresponding ROBDD is as follows:

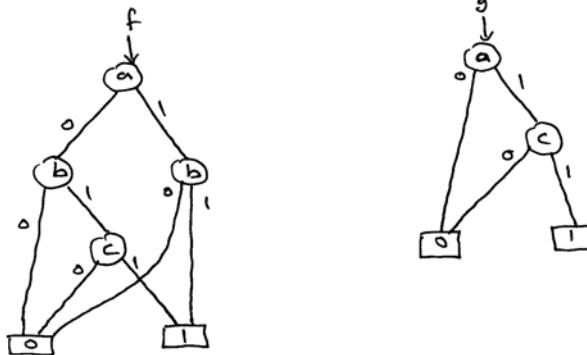


One variable order that maximizes the size of the ROBDD is $\{d, c, b, a\}$. The corresponding ROBDD is as follows:

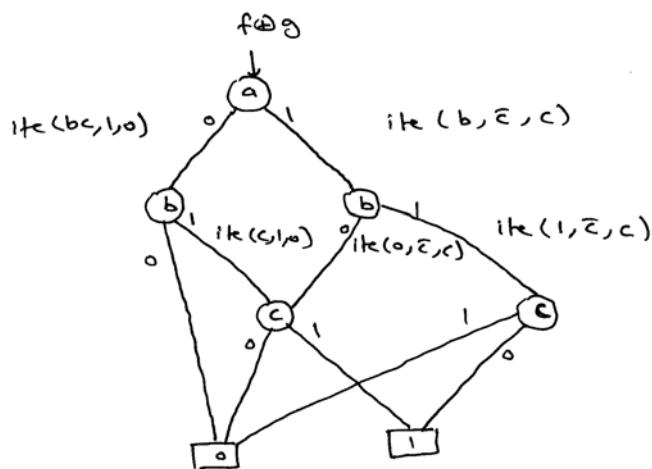


Q4

$$f = ab + bc ; \quad g = ac$$



$$f \oplus g = \text{ite}(f, \bar{g}, g) = \text{ite}(ab+bc, \bar{a}+\bar{c}, ac)$$



$$\text{Q5} \quad F^{\text{ON}} = a\bar{b}\bar{c} + \bar{a}b\bar{c} + \bar{a}\bar{b}c$$

$$F^{\text{DC}} = ab\bar{c}$$

- Positional - Cube notation:

	a	b	c
$a\bar{b}\bar{c}$	01	10	10
$\bar{a}b\bar{c}$	10	01	10
$\bar{a}bc$	10	01	01
$a b \bar{c}$	01	01	10

$$(ii) \quad F^{\text{off}} = U \# \{ F^{\text{ON}} \cup F^{\text{DC}} \}$$

$$\{11\ 11\ 11\ \#\ 01\ 10\ 10\} \cap \{11\ 11\ 11\ \#\ 10\ 01\ 10\}$$

$$\cap \{11\ 11\ 11\ \#\ 10\ 01\ 01\} \cap \{11\ 11\ 11\ \#\ 01\ 01\ 10\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{matrix} 10 & 11 & 11 \\ 11 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{matrix} 01 & 11 & 11 \\ 11 & 10 & 11 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{matrix} 01 & 11 & 11 \\ 11 & 10 & 11 \\ 11 & 11 & 10 \end{matrix} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{matrix} 10 & 11 & 11 \\ 11 & 10 & 11 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{matrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 11 & 01 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 11 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{matrix} 01 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 11 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 11 & 10 & 11 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 11 & 10 \\ 11 & 10 & 10 \end{matrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{matrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{matrix} 11 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 11 & 10 \\ 01 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{matrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 10 & 10 \\ 01 & 01 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 01 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{matrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 01 & 11 & 01 \end{matrix} \right\} = \bar{a}\bar{b} + \bar{b}c + ac$$

Another solution:

$$f^{off} = \{ \{ 11\ 11\ 11 \# 01\ 10\ 10 \} \# 10\ 01\ 10 \} \# 10\ 01\ 01 \\ \# 01\ 01\ 10$$

$$11\ 11\ 11 \# 01\ 10\ 10 = \begin{Bmatrix} 10 & 11 & 11 \\ 11 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} 10 & 11 & 11 \\ 11 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{Bmatrix} \# 10\ 01\ 10$$

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 11 & 01 \end{Bmatrix} \cup \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 01 & 11 \\ 11 & 01 & 01 \end{Bmatrix} \cup \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 11 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 11 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 11 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \end{Bmatrix} \# 10\ 01\ 01$$

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 11 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \end{Bmatrix} \cup \begin{Bmatrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 10 & 10 \end{Bmatrix} \cup \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 01 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 10 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 11 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 11 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 01 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \end{Bmatrix} \# 01\ 01\ 10$$

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 10 & 01 \\ 01 & 11 & 01 \end{Bmatrix} \cup \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 10 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \end{Bmatrix} \cup \begin{Bmatrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \end{Bmatrix} \cup \begin{Bmatrix} 01 & 01 & 01 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{Bmatrix} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 01 & 11 & 01 \end{Bmatrix} = \bar{a}\bar{b} + \bar{b}c + ac$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (ii) \quad f^{off} &= U \# \{ f^{ON} \cup f^{DC} \} \\
 &= \{ 11 \ 11 \ 11 \ \# 01 \ 10 \ 10 \} \cap \{ 11 \ 11 \ 11 \ \# 10 \ 01 \ 10 \} \\
 &\quad \cap \{ 11 \ 11 \ 11 \ \# 10 \ 01 \ 01 \} \cap \{ 11 \ 11 \ 11 \ \# 01 \ 01 \ 10 \} \\
 &= \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 10 & 11 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \\ 01 & 10 & 01 \end{array} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 01 & 11 & 11 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 01 & 01 \end{array} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 01 & 11 & 11 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 01 & 10 \end{array} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 10 & 11 & 11 \\ 01 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 01 \end{array} \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 01 & 11 \\ 01 & 10 & 01 \end{array} \right\} \cap \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 01 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 01 & 10 \end{array} \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 01 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 10 & 01 \end{array} \right\} = \bar{a}\bar{b} + abc + a\bar{b}c
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) f^{off} using recursive complementation

$$f^{ON} \cup f^{DC} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 01 & 10 & 10 \\ 10 & 01 & 10 \\ 10 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 01 & 10 \end{array} \right\}$$

- select binate variable a

$$\text{* cofactor with respect to } a = \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 11 & 10 & 10 \\ 11 & 01 & 10 \end{array} \right\} \bar{b}\bar{c}$$

$$\text{* cofactor with respect to } \bar{a} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} 11 & 01 & 10 \\ 11 & 01 & 01 \end{array} \right\} b\bar{c}$$

Then, we find the complement of $\begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 10 & 10 \\ 11 & 01 & 10 \end{Bmatrix}$

- we select binate variable b

$$\text{* cofactor w.r.t. } b = \{11 \ 11 \ 10\}$$

$$\text{* cofactor w.r.t. } \bar{b} = \{11 \ 11 \ 10\}$$

So, the complement of $\begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 10 & 10 \\ 11 & 01 & 10 \end{Bmatrix}$ is $\begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 01 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 01 \end{Bmatrix}$

Next, we find the complement of $\begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 01 & 10 \\ 11 & 01 & 01 \end{Bmatrix}$

- we select binate variable c

$$\text{* cofactor w.r.t. } c = \{11 \ 01 \ 11\}$$

$$\text{* cofactor w.r.t. } \bar{c} = \{11 \ 01 \ 11\}$$

So, the complement of $\begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 01 & 10 \\ 11 & 01 & 01 \end{Bmatrix}$ is $\begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 10 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 10 \end{Bmatrix}$

So, the complement of the function is

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 01 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 10 & 01 \end{array} \right\} \cup \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 10 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 10 \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} 01 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 10 & 10 \end{array} \right\} = abc + a\bar{b}c + \bar{a}\bar{b}c + \bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c} \\ &= ac + \bar{a}\bar{b} \end{aligned}$$

$$\stackrel{Q6}{=} f = a\bar{b}\bar{c} + \bar{a}b\bar{c} + \bar{a}\bar{b}c$$

To check if $bc \leq f$ we need to check if f_{bc} is a tautology

$$f = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{Bmatrix} \quad bc = \{11, 01, 01\}$$

$$f_{bc} = \{10, 11, 11\}$$

not a tautology $\Rightarrow bc \notin f$.

$$\bar{a}b = \{10, 01, 11\}$$

$$f_{\bar{a}b} = \begin{Bmatrix} 11 & 11 & 10 \\ 11 & 11 & 01 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Tautology as the cover depends on one variable and no column of 0's.

$\Rightarrow \bar{a}b \leq f$.

$$\underline{\underline{Q7}} \quad f = \bar{a}\bar{d} + \bar{a}b + a\bar{b} + a\bar{c}d$$

(i) A cover in positional-cube notation

	a	b	c	d
$\bar{a}\bar{d}$	10	11	11	10
$\bar{a}b$	10	01	11	11
$a\bar{b}$	01	10	11	11
$a\bar{c}d$	01	11	10	01

(ii) Computation of prime implicants

Let us split the function based on the bivariate variable a.

$$f = \bar{a}(\bar{d} + b) + a(\bar{b} + \bar{c}d)$$

Since $f_{\bar{a}} = \bar{d} + b$ is unate, its prime implicants are $\{\bar{d}, b\}$.

Since $f_a = \bar{b} + \bar{c}d$ is unate, its prime implicants are $\{\bar{b}, \bar{c}d\}$.

We need to compute consensus $\{(\bar{a}\bar{d}, \bar{a}b), (\bar{a}\bar{b}, a\bar{c}d)\} = \{\bar{b}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d\}$

$$P(f) = SCC \{ \bar{a}\bar{d}, \bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, a\bar{c}d, \bar{b}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d \}$$

$$= \{ \bar{a}\bar{d}, \bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, a\bar{c}d, \bar{b}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d \}$$

(iii) Since any cover contains the essential prime implicants, it is sufficient to check the prime implicants in the given cover.

$$f = \bar{a}\bar{d} + \bar{a}b + a\bar{b} + a\bar{c}d$$

$$\star \alpha = \bar{a}\bar{d}$$

$$G = \{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$G \# \alpha = \{\bar{a}bd, a\bar{b}, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$H = \text{Consensus}(G \# \alpha, \alpha)$$

$$= \{\bar{a}b, \bar{b}\bar{d}\}$$

$$H_\alpha = \{b, \bar{b}\} \text{ tautology}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = \bar{a}\bar{d}$ is not an essential P.I.

$$\star \alpha = \bar{a}b$$

$$G = \{\bar{a}\bar{d}, a\bar{b}, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$G \# \alpha = \{\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{d}, a\bar{b}, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$H = \text{Consensus}(G \# \alpha, \alpha)$$

$$= \{\bar{a}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d\}$$

$$H_\alpha = \{\bar{d}, \bar{c}d\} \text{ not tautology}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = \bar{a}b$ is an essential P.I.

$$-\alpha = a\bar{b}$$

$$G = \{\bar{a}\bar{d}, \bar{a}b, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$G \# \alpha = \{\bar{a}\bar{d}, \bar{a}b, ab\bar{c}d\}$$

$$H = \{\bar{b}\bar{d}, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$H\alpha = \{\bar{d}, \bar{c}d\} \text{ not tautology}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = a\bar{b}$ is an essential P.I.

$$-\alpha = a\bar{c}d$$

$$G = \{\bar{a}\bar{d}, \bar{a}b, a\bar{b}\}$$

$$G \# \alpha = \{\bar{a}\bar{d}, \bar{a}b, a\bar{b}c, a\bar{b}d\}$$

$$H = \{b\bar{c}d, a\bar{b}d\}$$

$$H\alpha = \{b, \bar{b}\} \text{ tautology}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = a\bar{c}d$ is not an essential P.I.

Thus, f has two essential P.I.

$$\{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}\}.$$

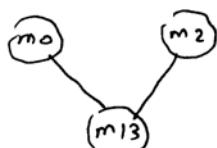
(iv) Minimum Cover based on Covering Problem formulation

	$\bar{a}\bar{d}$	$\bar{a}b$	$a\bar{b}$	$a\bar{c}\bar{d}$	$\bar{b}\bar{d}$	$b\bar{c}\bar{d}$
m_0	1	0	0	0	1	0
m_2	1	0	0	0	1	0
m_4	1	1	0	0	0	0
m_5	0	1	0	0	0	1
m_6	1	1	0	0	0	0
m_7	0	1	0	0	0	0
m_8	0	0	1	0	1	0
m_9	0	0	1	1	0	0
m_{10}	0	0	1	0	1	0
m_{11}	0	0	1	0	0	0
m_{13}	0	0	0	1	0	1

We can see that column $\bar{a}b$ is essential because it is incident on row m_7 which has a single 1. Similarly $a\bar{b}$ is essential as it is the only one covering m_{11} . So, we select these two columns and remove the covered rows.

The reduced matrix becomes:

	$\bar{a}\bar{d}$	$a\bar{c}\bar{d}$	$\bar{b}\bar{d}$	$b\bar{c}\bar{d}$
m_0	1	0	1	0
m_2	1	0	1	0
m_{13}	0	1	0	1



clique is 2. So, a lower bound is 2.

By running the Exact-Cover algorithm,
 $\bar{a}\bar{d}$ will be selected. Then, $a\bar{c}d$
will be selected. No better solution
will be found.

Note that there are four minimum
solutions with the same cost

$$\{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, \bar{a}\bar{d}, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$\text{or } \{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, \bar{a}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d\}$$

$$\text{or } \{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, \bar{b}\bar{d}, a\bar{c}d\}$$

$$\text{or } \{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, \bar{b}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d\}$$

(v) Espresso-Exact finds the solution
 $\{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, \bar{b}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d\}$

(vi) Espresso also returns the same solution
 $\{\bar{a}b, a\bar{b}, \bar{b}\bar{d}, b\bar{c}d\}$

$$\underline{\underline{Q8}} \quad f(a,b,c,d) = \sum m(0,1,4,5,7,8,9,12,15)$$

(i)	a	b	c	d
$\checkmark \bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d}$	10	10	10	10
$\checkmark \bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}d$	10	10	10	01
$\checkmark \bar{a}b\bar{c}\bar{d}$	10	01	10	10
$\bar{a}b\bar{c}\bar{d}$	10	01	10	01
$\checkmark \bar{a}bcd$	10	01	01	01
$\checkmark a\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d}$	01	10	10	10
$\checkmark a\bar{b}\bar{c}d$	01	10	10	01
$\checkmark a\bar{b}cd$	01	01	10	10
$\checkmark ab\bar{c}\bar{d}$	01	01	01	10
$\checkmark abc\bar{d}$	01	01	01	01
	54	45	72	45

Then, we compute the implicant weights

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 & 10 & 10 & 10 \\ 10 & 10 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 01 & 10 & 10 \\ 10 & 01 & 10 & 01 \\ 10 & 01 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 10 & 10 & 10 \\ 01 & 10 & 10 & 01 \\ 01 & 01 & 10 & 10 \\ 01 & 01 & 01 & 01 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 7 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 20 \\ 21 \\ 21 \\ 22 \\ 17 \\ 19 \\ 20 \\ 20 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

So, the minterm $abcd = 01010101$ is selected first for expansion.

$$\text{Free set} = \{1, 3, 5, 7\}$$

columns 3, 5, 7 cannot be raised as they have a distance 1 from the offset.

The implicant $\bar{a}bcd = 10010101$ has a feasible supercube with $abcd = 01010101$. So, column 1 is raised and we obtain the implicant $bcd = 11010101$. Since the free set is empty, we need to expand another implicant.

Next, we expand the implicant $\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d} = 01\ 10\ 10\ 10$.
 Free-set = {1, 4, 6, 8}. Column 6 cannot be raised because it has a distance 1 from off-set.
 The implicant $\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d} = 10\ 10\ 10\ 10$ has a feasible supercube with $\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d} = 01\ 10\ 10\ 10$. So, column 1 is raised and we obtain the implicant $11\ 10\ 10\ 10 = \bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d}$.
 The implicant $\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d} = 10\ 01\ 10\ 10$ has a feasible supercube with the implicant $\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d} = 11\ 10\ 10\ 10$. So, column 4 is raised and we obtain the implicant $\bar{c}\bar{d} = 11\ 11\ 10\ 10$. We remove all the covered implicants from consideration. Column 8 cannot be raised because it has a distance 1 from off-set.
 Next, we expand the implicant $\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}d = 01\ 10\ 10\ 01$.
 Free-set = {2, 3, 5, 7}. Columns 3 and 5 cannot be raised because they have a distance 1 from off-set. The implicant $\bar{a}\bar{b}cd = 10\ 10\ 10\ 01$ has a feasible supercube with the implicant $\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}d = 01\ 10\ 10\ 01$. So, column 2 is raised and we obtain the implicant $\bar{b}\bar{c}d = 11\ 10\ 10\ 01$. Then, column 7 is raised and we obtain the implicant $\bar{b}\bar{c} = 11\ 10\ 10\ 11$. Finally, we expand the implicant $\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}d = 10\ 01\ 10\ 01$.
 Free-set = {1, 4, 5, 8}. Column 1 cannot be raised as it has a distance 1 from off-set. Note that raising columns 4, 5, 8 has the same weight as it overlaps the same number of cubes. Let us raise column 4. We obtain the implicant $\bar{a}\bar{c}\bar{d} = 10\ 11\ 10\ 01$. Now, column 5 cannot be raised as it has distance 1 from off-set. We then raise column 8 and we obtain the implicant $\bar{a}\bar{c} = 10\ 11\ 10\ 11$. So, the obtained expanded cover is
 $\{bcd, \bar{c}\bar{d}, \bar{b}\bar{c}, \bar{a}\bar{c}\}$.

Next, we apply the irredundancy check on the expanded cover $\{bcd, \bar{c}\bar{d}, \bar{b}\bar{c}, \bar{a}\bar{c}\}$.

It can be easily seen that all the implicant are relatively essential i.e. $E^r = \{bcd, \bar{c}\bar{d}, \bar{b}\bar{c}, \bar{a}\bar{c}\}$. So, none of the implicants is redundant.

Next, we apply Reduce on the cover.

First, we compute the implicant weights

	a	b	c	d
bcd	11	01	01	01
$\bar{c}\bar{d}$	11	11	10	10
$\bar{b}\bar{c}$	11	10	10	11
$\bar{a}\bar{c}$	10	11	10	11
	4	3	3	3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 11 & 01 & 01 & 01 \\ 11 & 11 & 10 & 10 \\ 11 & 10 & 10 & 11 \\ 10 & 11 & 10 & 11 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 \\ 19 \\ 19 \\ 19 \end{bmatrix}$$

Suppose that we select $\bar{a}\bar{c} = 10\ 11\ 10\ 11$ to reduce.

$$Q = bcd + \bar{c}\bar{d} + \bar{b}\bar{c} = c(bd) + \bar{c}(\bar{b} + \bar{d})$$

$$\bar{Q} = c(\bar{b} + \bar{d}) + \bar{c}(bd) = \bar{c}\bar{b} + \bar{c}\bar{d} + \bar{c}bd$$

$$\bar{Q}_{\bar{a}\bar{c}} = bd$$

$$\bar{a}\bar{c} \cap \text{supercube}(bd) = \bar{a}b\bar{c}d$$

So, the implicant $\bar{a}\bar{c}$ is reduced to $\bar{a}b\bar{c}d$.

We next select to reduce the implicant $\bar{b}\bar{c}$.

$$Q = bcd + \bar{c}\bar{d} + \bar{a}b\bar{c}d = cd(b) + \bar{c}\bar{d}(1) + \bar{c}d(\bar{a}b) + c\bar{d}(0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{Q} &= cd(\bar{b}) + \bar{c}\bar{d}(0) + \bar{c}d(a+b) + c\bar{d}(1) \\ &= cd\bar{b} + \bar{c}da + \bar{c}d\bar{b} + c\bar{d} \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{Q}_{\bar{b}\bar{c}} = da + d$$

$$\text{Supercube } (\bar{Q}_{\bar{b}\bar{c}}) = d$$

$$\bar{b}\bar{c} \cap \text{Supercube } (\bar{Q}_{\bar{b}\bar{c}}) = \bar{b}\bar{c}d$$

So, the implicant $\bar{b}\bar{c}$ is reduced to $\bar{b}\bar{c}d$.

We next select to reduce the implicant $\bar{c}\bar{d}$.

$$Q = bcd + \bar{a}b\bar{c}d + \bar{b}\bar{c}d = cd(b) + \bar{c}d(\bar{a}+\bar{b}) + c\bar{d}(0) + \bar{c}\bar{d}(0)$$

$$\bar{Q} = cd\bar{b} + \bar{c}dab + c\bar{d} + \bar{c}\bar{d}$$

$$\bar{Q}_{\bar{c}\bar{d}} = 1$$

$$\bar{c}\bar{d} \cap \text{Supercube } (\bar{Q}_{\bar{c}\bar{d}}) = \bar{c}\bar{d}$$

So, the implicant cannot be reduced.

Finally, we select to reduce the implicant bcd .

$$Q = \bar{a}b\bar{c}d + \bar{b}\bar{c}d + \bar{c}\bar{d} = \bar{c}d(\bar{a}\bar{b}) + \bar{c}\bar{d}(1) + c\bar{d}(0) + cd(0)$$

$$\bar{Q} = \bar{c}dab + c\bar{d} + cd$$

$$\bar{Q}_{bcd} = 1 ; bcd \cap \text{Supercube } (\bar{Q}_{bcd}) = bcd$$

So, the implicant cannot be reduced.

The reduced cover is $\{\bar{a}b\bar{c}d, \bar{b}\bar{c}d, \bar{c}\bar{d}, bcd\}$.

Finally, we apply EXPAND on the reduced cover.

	a	b	c	d
$\bar{a} \bar{b} \bar{c} d$	10	01	10	01
$\bar{b} \bar{c} d$	11	10	10	01
$\bar{c} \bar{d}$	11	11	10	10
$b \bar{c} d$	11	01	01	01
	43	23	31	13

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 & 01 & 10 & 01 \\ 11 & 10 & 10 & 01 \\ 11 & 11 & 10 & 10 \\ 11 & 01 & 01 & 01 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13 \\ 15 \\ 16 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

We first expand the implicant $\bar{a} \bar{b} \bar{c} d$.
Free-set = {2, 3, 6, 7}. Column 2 can't be raised since it has distance 1 from offset.
We can select to raise either column 3, 6, or 7.
Let us raise column 3. The implicant becomes $\bar{a} \bar{c} d$.
Now, column 6 can't be raised as it has distance 1 from offset. We then raise column 7 and we obtain the implicant $\bar{a} \bar{c}$. Note that none of the remaining 3 implicants is covered by the expanded implicant.

Next, we select to expand the implicant $b \bar{c} d$.
Free-set = {3, 5, 7}. None of the columns can be raised as they have distance 1 with the offset.

So, the implicant $b \bar{c} d$ can't be expanded.
Then, we select to expand the implicant $\bar{b} \bar{c} d$.
Free-set = {4, 6, 7}. Columns 4 and 6 can't be raised as they have distance 1 from the offset.

So, we raise column 7 and we obtain the implicant $\bar{b} \bar{c}$.
Finally, we select to expand the implicant $\bar{c} \bar{d}$.
Free-set = {6, 8}. Both columns can't be raised, and the implicant can't be expanded.
So, the expanded cover is $\{\bar{a} \bar{c}, b \bar{c} d, \bar{b} \bar{c}, \bar{c} \bar{d}\}$.

(ii)

Running EXPAND on the initial cover:

```
# espresso -Dexpand -t -v hw2q8.pla
# UC Berkeley, Espresso Version #2.3, Release date 01/31/88
.olb f
.dc
# READ      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=9(9) in=36 out=9 tot=45
# COMPL     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=3(3) in=8 out=3 tot=11
# PLA is hw2q8.pla with 4 inputs and 1 outputs
# ON-set cost is c=9(9) in=36 out=9 tot=45
# OFF-set cost is c=3(3) in=8 out=3 tot=11
# DC-set cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
EXPAND: 1111 1 (covered 1)
EXPAND: 1000 1 (covered 3)
EXPAND: 1001 1 (covered 1)
EXPAND: 0101 1 (covered 0)
# EXPAND     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(0) in=9 out=4 tot=13
# READ      1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# COMPL     1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# EXPAND    1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# expand    Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(0) in=9 out=4 tot=13
.i 4
.o 1
.ilb a b c d
.p 4
-111 1
--00 1
-00- 1
0-0- 1
.e
# WRITE     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(0) in=9 out=4 tot=13
```

Running IRREDUNDANT on the expanded cover:

```
# espresso -Dirred -t -v exp
# UC Berkeley, Espresso Version #2.3, Release date 01/31/88
.olb f
.dc
# READ      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(4) in=9 out=4 tot=13
# COMPL     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
# PLA is exp with 4 inputs and 1 outputs
# ON-set cost is c=4(4) in=9 out=4 tot=13
# OFF-set cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
```

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# DC-set cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
# IRRED: F=4 E=4 R=0 Rt=0 Rp=0 Rc=0 Final=4 Bound=0
# IRRED      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(4) in=9 out=4 tot=13
# READ       1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# COMPL      1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# IRRED      1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# irred Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(4) in=9 out=4 tot=13
.i 4
.o 1
.ilb a b c d
.p 4
-111 1
--00 1
-00- 1
0-0- 1
.e
# WRITE      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(4) in=9 out=4 tot=13

```

Running REDUCE on the irredundant cover:

```

# espresso -Dreduce -t -v irred
# UC Berkeley, Espresso Version #2.3, Release date 01/31/88
.olb f
.dc
# READ      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(4) in=9 out=4 tot=13
# COMPL     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
# PLA is irred with 4 inputs and 1 outputs
# ON-set cost is c=4(4) in=9 out=4 tot=13
# OFF-set cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
# DC-set cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
REDUCE: 0-0- 1 to 0101 1 0.00 sec
REDUCE: -00- 1 to -001 1 0.00 sec
# REDUCE     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(2) in=12 out=4 tot=16
# READ       1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# COMPL      1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# REDUCE     1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# reduce     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(2) in=12 out=4 tot=16
.i 4
.o 1
.ilb a b c d
.p 4
0101 1
-001 1
-00 1
-111 1

```

```
.e
# WRITE      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(2) in=12 out=4 tot=16
```

Running EXPAND on the reduced cover:

```
# espresso -Dexpand -t -v red
# UC Berkeley, Espresso Version #2.3, Release date 01/31/88
.olb f
.dc
# READ      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(4) in=12 out=4 tot=16
# COMPL     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=3(2) in=8 out=3 tot=11
# PLA is red with 4 inputs and 1 outputs
# ON-set cost is c=4(4) in=12 out=4 tot=16
# OFF-set cost is c=3(2) in=8 out=3 tot=11
# DC-set cost is c=0(0) in=0 out=0 tot=0
EXPAND: 0101 1 (covered 0)
EXPAND: -111 1 (covered 0)
EXPAND: -001 1 (covered 0)
EXPAND: --00 1 (covered 0)
# EXPAND     Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(0) in=9 out=4 tot=13
# READ      1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# COMPL     1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# EXPAND     1 call(s) for 0.00 sec ( 0.0%)
# expand    Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(0) in=9 out=4 tot=13
.i 4
.o 1
.ilb a b c d
.p 4
0-0- 1
-111 1
-00- 1
--00 1
.e
# WRITE      Time was 0.00 sec, cost is c=4(0) in=9 out=4 tot=13
```