

A Parametric Based Technique for Detection of Total and Multiform Symmetric Switching Functions in Logic Synthesis

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ABSTRACT

An innovative as well as illuminating approach for detection of total and multiform symmetric switching functions is proposed. This method is based on modulo-2 sum between existent parameters rather than using maps, charts or large tables. The invariant properties are being revealed by the set of true minterms in accordance with the logical construction of existent parameters resulting in the reduction of complexity in time-space domain.

General Terms

Total Symmetric Function, Multiform Symmetric Functions and Invariant.

Keywords

Invariant set, Reduced Invariant Set, Existent Parameter and Displacement.

1. INTRODUCTION

The symmetric functions are dyed-in-the-wool to proclaim itself as an important class of switching functions for logic synthesis. Detection of a symmetric function is a fascinating problem, because a function can demonstrate symmetry in all possible polarities of its input variables. To be more precise, to detect the symmetry of an n variable switching function it is necessary to explore 2^n possible literals of the input variable's permutation. The dire necessity is to know when a function is totally or partially symmetric, as there are special economical synthesis procedures for integrated circuits that realize such functions. Several methods exist to detect symmetry in switching functions. All of these existing methods employ maps, truth tables, charts, matrices etc. The document presents here is based on modulo-2 sum between existent parameters. The method discussed here, is relevant on reduction of search space for total symmetry and multiform symmetry detection.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

In 1938, a convenient way of writing a symmetric function is explored from the theorem of Shannon [1], in his paper "A symbolic analysis of relay and switching circuits". Firstly, S.H.Caldwell [3] in 1954 has described a method for detecting total symmetry of switching functions with the help of extended Karnaugh maps, though it is difficult for functions of larger than four variables. Furthermore, the identification method proposed by Marcus [6], McCluskey[5] in 1956, are more well-planned and can be applied to large number of variables. In 1963, A. Mukhopadhyay [11] formulated a technique for detecting symmetry using a chart based method; popularly it is known as decomposition chart. Apart from this method in 1971, S.R. Das and C.L. Sheng [13] applied an

approach known as residue test by numerical method to detect symmetry. Tsai et al. [15] suggested generalized Reed-Muller forms for detecting groups of symmetric literals in completely specified switching functions, in 1996. Kravets and Sakallah [16], in 2000 and further J.S. Zhang et al. [19] in 2006; used circuit based method that makes uses of structural analysis, integrated simulation and Boolean SAT for fast and scalable detection of symmetries switching function. Peter M Maurer [22] introduced a method for detecting Total Symmetry by using hyper linear structure. Generalized symmetries in binary decision diagram (BDD) are found by Kettle et al. [20] in the year 2008. Z.Kohavi [14] advocated an approach for finding symmetric switching functions based on invariant under any permutation of literals. In 2012, S. Guha et al. [21] modified the method of Z.Kohavi by means the true minterms are bi-partitioned into two subsets depending upon the polarity of a particular variable to reduce the search space.

3. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 1 A switching function F of n variables $\{x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_0\}$ is said to be totally symmetric if and only if any permutation of these n variables leaves the function invariant. Therefore, any permutation of variables may be obtained by successively interchanging only two variables at one time.

Example: $F(x_2, x_1, x_0) = \bar{x}_2\bar{x}_1x_0 + x_2\bar{x}_1\bar{x}_0 + \bar{x}_2x_1\bar{x}_0$ is totally symmetric because any permutation of these 3 variables leaves the function invariant.

Conjecture 1 By definition of total symmetry of switching functions, it can be concluded that if $x_i \sim x_j$ (x_i invariant x_j , i.e., x_i and x_j can be interchanged without altering the outcome of the function) $\forall i=0$ to $n-1, \forall j=0$ to $n-1$ and $i \neq j$, (i.e., for all permutation of x_i and x_j); then the function is totally symmetric.

Definition 2 A switching function of n variables $\{x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_0\}$ may be symmetric in a subset of m variables, $2 \leq m \leq n$, in many different forms. A function F of n variables exhibiting symmetry in a subset of m variables in all possible forms is said to be multiform symmetric in those m variables of the subset [13].

For example, $F(x_1, x_0) = x_1\bar{x}_0 + \bar{x}_1x_0$ is multiform symmetric in $\{x_1, x_0\}, \{\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_0\}$ and $\{x_1, \bar{x}_0\}, \{\bar{x}_1, x_0\}$.

In general a symmetric function consists of mixed variables of symmetry if some of the variables are unprimed and rests of them are primed. The variables of symmetry are said to be

multiform in nature when the function exhibits multiform symmetry in these variables.

Theorem 1 The number of total symmetric functions of n variables is $2^{(n+1)}$ where n is the number of literals.

Definition 3 Invariant Set (R) includes all possible invariants of n literals such that, $x_i \sim x_j; \forall i=0$ to $n-1, \forall j=0$ to $n-1$ and $i \neq j$

belong to R.

Definition 4 Reduced Invariant Set (R') includes $x_i \sim x_j$, where $i=0$ to $n-1, j=(i+1) \bmod n$ and $x_0 \sim x_{n-1}$, where $i=0$, which is a subset of R. If all the invariants of R' holds for a given function then all other invariants which does not belong to R' but belongs to R is also stay the course by using transitive rule.

Definition 5 The i^{th} Existent parameter (E_{pq}^i) is a decimal number, it corresponds to a binary number having k bits where $k = 2^{n-2}$ and each bit in the binary number denotes the existence of a particular term (either minterm or maxterm) of n literals. If the given switching function consists of those terms then the corresponding bits of E^i is set to 1 and 0 otherwise; where p and q are the values (either 0 or 1) of i^{th} bit and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit of those terms whose existence are denoted by existent parameters and $i=0$ to $n-1$.

The Existence of minterms which contains 0 at both i^{th} bit and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit are denoted by E_{00}^i .

The Existence of minterms which contains 1 at i^{th} bit and 0 at $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit are denoted by E_{01}^i .

The Existence of minterms which contains 0 at i^{th} bit and 1 at $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit are denoted by E_{10}^i .

The Existence of minterms which contains 1 at both i^{th} bit and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit are denoted by E_{11}^i .

Initially $E_{00}^i = E_{01}^i = E_{10}^i = E_{11}^i = 0$.

4. OBJECTIVE

The overall work can be conveniently studied into two sections. Firstly, to develop a new method for detection of totally and Multiform symmetric functions that is efficient than the existing methods in time-space domain. Secondly, to enumerate that the number of total symmetric switching function of n variables is $2^{(n+1)}$.

5. PROPOSED METHOD

In order to detect total symmetry and multiform symmetry, it is not necessary to test for all the invariants in the Invariant Set R; it suffices that if all the invariants in the Reduced invariant set R' holds for the given function. Therefore, the existent parameters are to be constructed first.

5.1 Construction of Existent parameters

At first the minterms has to be found $\forall i=0$ to $(n-1)$ whose existence in the given function are denoted by the MSBs of existent parameters $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i$ and E_{11}^i . The minterms can be found by using the following four theorems for different existent parameters.

Theorem 2 The MSB of E_{00}^i denotes the existence of the minterm, $M_{00_{k-1}}^i$ having i^{th} bit 0 and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit 0 and all the remaining bits are 0, i.e., $M_{00_{k-1}}^i = 0$.

Proof Let the minterm $M_{00_{k-1}}^i = \{x_{n-1} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\}$; by definition of E_{00}^i each bit denotes the existence of those minterms contain 0 at both i^{th} bit and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit, $\forall i=0$ to $n-1$. MSB of E_{00}^i denotes the minterm that have all bits 0; i.e., $\{x_{n-1} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00 \dots 00\}$.

Therefore, the minterm

$$\begin{aligned} M_{00_{k-1}}^i &= x_{n-1} * 2^{n-1} + \dots + x_{i+1} * 2^{i+1} + x_i * 2^i + \dots + x_0 * 2^0 \\ &= 0 * 2^{n-1} + \dots + 0 * 2^{i+1} + 0 * 2^i + \dots + 0 * 2^0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3 The MSB of E_{01}^i denotes the existence of the minterm, $M_{01_{k-1}}^i$ having i^{th} bit 1 and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit 0 and all the remaining bits are 0, i.e., $M_{01_{k-1}}^i = 2^i$.

Proof Let the minterm $M_{01_{k-1}}^i = \{x_{n-1} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\}$; by definition of E_{01}^i each bit denotes the existence of those minterms contains 1 at i^{th} bit and 0 at $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit, $\forall i=0$ to $n-1$. MSB of E_{01}^i denotes the minterm that have $x_i = 1$ and all other bits are 0; i.e., $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\} = \{00 \dots 0\}$ and $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\}$. Therefore, the minterm

$$\begin{aligned} M_{01_{k-1}}^i &= x_{n-1} * 2^{n-1} + \dots + x_{i+1} * 2^{i+1} + x_i * 2^i + \dots + x_0 * 2^0 \\ &= 0 * 2^{n-1} + \dots + 0 * 2^{i+1} + 1 * 2^i + \dots + 0 * 2^0 \\ &= 2^i \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4 The MSB of E_{10}^i denotes the existence of the minterm, $M_{10_{k-1}}^i$ having i^{th} bit 0 and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit 1 and all the remaining bits are 0, i.e., $M_{10_{k-1}}^i = 2^{((i+1) \bmod n)}$.

Proof Let the minterm $M_{10_{k-1}}^i = \{x_{n-1} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\}$; by definition of E_{10}^i each bit denotes the existence of those minterms contains 0 at i^{th} bit and 1 at $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit, $\forall i=0$ to $n-1$. MSB of E_{10}^i denotes the minterm that have $x_{((i+1) \bmod n)} = 1$ and all other bits are 0; $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\} = \{00 \dots 0\}$ and $\{x_i \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\}$.

So the minterm

$$\begin{aligned} M_{10_{k-1}}^i &= x_{n-1} * 2^{n-1} + \dots + x_{i+1} * 2^{i+1} + x_i * 2^i + \dots + x_0 * 2^0 \\ &= 0 * 2^{n-1} + \dots + 1 * 2^{i+1} + 0 * 2^i + \dots + 0 * 2^0 \\ &= 2^{i+1} \end{aligned}$$

As $i=0$ to $n-1$ so when $i=n-1, (i+1)=n$ but the minterm does not have n^{th} bit, i.e., for $i=n-1, (i+1)$ may exceed the range. $((i+1) \bmod n)$ keep it in range. Therefore, the minterm is $M_{10_{k-1}}^i = 2^{((i+1) \bmod n)}$

Theorem 5 The MSB of E_{11}^i denotes the existence of the minterm, $M_{11_{k-1}}^i$ having i^{th} bit 1, $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit 1 and all the remaining bits are 0, i.e., $M_{11_{k-1}}^i = 2^{((i+1) \bmod n)} + 2^i$.

Proof Let the minterm $M_{11k-1}^i = \{x_{n-1} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\}$; by definition of E_{11}^i each bit denotes the existence of those minterms contains 1 at i^{th} bit and 1 at $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit, $\forall i=0$ to $n-1$. MSB of E_{11}^i denotes the minterm that have $x_{(i+1) \bmod n}=1, x_i=1$ and all other bits are 0; $\{x_{n-1}x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\} = \{00 \dots 0\}$ and $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0.00\}$.

So the minterm

$$\begin{aligned} M_{11k-1}^i &= x_{n-1} * 2^{n-1} + \dots + x_{i+1} * 2^{i+1} + x_i * 2^i + \dots + x_0 * 2^0 \\ &= 0 * 2^{n-1} + \dots + 1 * 2^{i+1} + 1 * 2^i + \dots + 0 * 2^0 \\ &= 2^{i+1} + 2^i \end{aligned}$$

As $i=0$ to $n-1$, when $i=n-1, (i+1)=n$ but the minterm does not have n^{th} bit, i.e., for $i=n-1, (i+1)$ may exceed the range. $((i+1) \bmod n)$ keep it in range. Hence, the minterm is $M_{11k-1}^i = 2^{(i+1) \bmod n} + 2^i$.

Once the minterms are found, the next set of minterms whose existence in the given function is denoted by the remaining bits of the existent parameters can be generated by using the following theorems.

Theorem 6 The minterms that are denoted by the remaining bits of $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i$ and E_{11}^i are generated by using $M_{00k-1}^i, M_{01k-1}^i, M_{10k-1}^i$ and M_{11k-1}^i respectively. The i^{th} bit and $((i+1) \bmod n)^{\text{th}}$ bit of the said minterm, i.e., $\{x_{i+1} x_i\}$ divides the minterms into partitions, i.e., $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$ and $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\}$; where $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$ contains $((n-1) - (i+2) + 1) = (n-i-2)$ number of bits, that consists 2^{n-i-2} combinations of literals. For each of this combinations $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\}$ can have 2^i possible combinations of literals.

Case (a) For each combination of literals in $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$ the next 2^i minterms are generated by adding 1 with the previously generated minterm; i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} M_{00k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{00k-d}^i + 1; & M_{01k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{01k-d}^i + 1; \\ M_{10k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{10k-d}^i + 1; & M_{11k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{11k-d}^i + 1; \end{aligned}$$

Where $d=1$ to $k-1$

Case (b) To get the next combination of literals in $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$ add displacement D^i with the minterm that have the present combination of literals in $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$ and $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\}$, where $D^i = 2^{(i+2) \bmod n}$.

Proof By previous theorems (Theorem 2, Theorem 3, Theorem 4 and Theorem 5) it is already found that $M_{00k-1}^i = 0, M_{01k-1}^i = 2^i, M_{10k-1}^i = 2^{(i+1) \bmod n}$ and $M_{11k-1}^i = 2^{(i+1) \bmod n} + 2^i$ respectively. In each of the minterms $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\} = \{00 \dots 0\}$ and $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\}$. $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\}$ has 2^i possible combinations. The next combinations of literals in $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\}$ are $\{0 \dots 01\}, \{0 \dots 10\}, \{0 \dots 11\}, \dots, \{1 \dots 00\}, \dots, \{1 \dots 10\}, \{1 \dots 11\}$

. It is observed that the above combinations are done by adding 1 with the previous one. Hence, the following minterms must be found by adding 1 with the previous minterms; i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} M_{00k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{00k-d}^i + 1; & M_{01k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{01k-d}^i + 1; \\ M_{10k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{10k-d}^i + 1; & M_{11k-(d+1)}^i &= M_{11k-d}^i + 1; \end{aligned}$$

Hence, case (a) is proved.

When the 2^i possible combinations of literals in $\{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\}$ are considered, the next combination in $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$ will be taken. To achieve the next combination of literals in $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$, the value of $\{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+2}\}$ incremented by 1. This can be done by adding $2^{(i+2) \bmod n}$ with the minterm

$$M_{00k-1}^i = \{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\},$$

$$\text{where } \{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\},$$

$$M_{01k-1}^i = \{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\},$$

$$\text{where } \{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\},$$

$$M_{10k-1}^i = \{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\},$$

$$\text{where } \{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\},$$

$$M_{11k-1}^i = \{x_{n-1} x_{n-2} \dots x_{i+1} x_i \dots x_1 x_0\},$$

$$\text{where } \{x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0\} = \{0 \dots 00\}.$$

The $2^{(i+2) \bmod n}$ is considered as displacement and denoted by D^i . For $i=n-1$, or $n-2, (i+2) > n-1$. Therefore, it exceeds its range and $(i+2) \bmod n$ makes it in range, i.e., $(n-1) \leq (i+2) \bmod n \leq 0$. Hence Case (b) is satisfied.

Whenever a minterm is generated by using previous theorems; existence of those minterms in the given function has to be checked and if the generated minterm belong to the given function then the corresponding bit of the existent parameter for which the minterm is generated is set to 1. Otherwise, the bit will be set to 0. This can be done by using the following theorem.

Theorem 7 Each bit of $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i$ and E_{11}^i can be assigned a value (either 0 or 1) as, if $M_{pqk-d}^i \in F$ then $E_{pq}^i = (E_{pq}^i \text{ Left shift by } 1) \text{ OR } 1$ otherwise $E_{pq}^i = (E_{pq}^i \text{ Left shift by } 1) \text{ OR } 0$ where $d=1$ to $n-1$, F is the Given Switching function and M_{pqk-d}^i are the minterms denoted by $(k-d)^{\text{th}}$ bit of E_{pq}^i .

Proof By definition of the Existent parameters initially $E_{00}^i = E_{01}^i = E_{10}^i = E_{11}^i = 0$. The bits of $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i$ and E_{11}^i are generated from MSB to LSB. The minterm M_{00k-d}^i denoted by $(k-d)^{\text{th}}$ bit of E_{00}^i is first generated and if this minterm belongs to the function F then $(k-d)^{\text{th}}$ bit has to be set 1 otherwise 0. Therefore, if minterm belongs to the function perform $E_{00}^i = (E_{00}^i \text{ Left shift by } 1) \text{ OR } 1$, otherwise $E_{00}^i = (E_{00}^i \text{ Left shift by } 1) \text{ OR } 0$; which set or reset the LSB of E_{00}^i . After that $(k-d)$ bits is to be set or reset. So the Left shift operation on E_0^i is performed $(k-d)$ times that

eventually moves the LSB of E_{00}^i to $(k-d)^{th}$ bit. By using the Left shift and bitwise OR operator the value of $b_{i,k-d}^i$ can be assigned. Similarly each bit of E_{01}^i , E_{10}^i and E_{11}^i can be assigned a value using Left Shift and bitwise OR operator. Hence the theorem follows.

Use of Theorem 7 eliminates the need of handling the bits of existent parameters which may be time consuming. After the construction of existent parameters E_{00}^i , E_{01}^i , E_{10}^i , and E_{11}^i

$$1. \quad x_i \sim x_{(i+1) \bmod n} \text{ and } \bar{x}_i \sim \bar{x}_{(i+1) \bmod n}$$

$$\text{if } E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i = 0 \text{ or } E_{01}^i = E_{10}^i \forall i=0 \text{ to } n-1.$$

$$2. \quad x_i \sim \bar{x}_{(i+1) \bmod n} \text{ and } \bar{x}_i \sim x_{(i+1) \bmod n}$$

$$\text{if } E_{00}^i \oplus E_{11}^i = 0 \text{ or } E_{00}^i = E_{11}^i \forall i=0 \text{ to } n-1.$$

5.2 Detection of Total Symmetry

In order to detect total symmetry it is necessary to check whether $E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i = 0, \forall i=0$ to $n-1$. As all the invariants in the reduced invariant set R' holds, where all x_i and $\bar{x}_{(i+1) \bmod n}$ are all primed or all unprimed. If $E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i \neq 0$ for a particular value of i , then the function is not totally symmetric. Hence for detection of total symmetry only E_{01}^i and E_{10}^i need to be constructed. For any i , if the condition, i.e., $E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i = 0$ does not hold for the given function, then the function is not totally symmetric.

Proposed Algorithm for Detection of Total Symmetric Functions

Input: A Switching Function of n variables

Output: Total Symmetry or Not

1. For $i=0$ to $n-1$ do
 - A. Call Construct_ E_{01}^i and E_{10}^i ;
 - B. If $E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i \neq 0$ then
 - i. Print “the function is not Totally Symmetry”;
 - ii. Exit;
 - C. End if
2. End for
3. Print “the function is Totally Symmetry”;
4. End

Procedure Construct_ E_{01}^i and E_{10}^i

Input: number of literals in the given function, i.e., n

Output: The Existent parameter E_{01}^i and E_{10}^i

1. Set $k=2^{n-2}$;
2. Set $M_{01k-1}^i = 2^i$ and $M_{10k-1}^i = 2^{(i+1) \bmod n}$;
3. Set $\text{prvMin}_{01} = M_{01k-1}^i$ and $\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01}$;
4. Set $\text{prvMin}_{10} = M_{10k-1}^i$ and $\text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10}$;
5. For every pass=1 to $(\frac{k}{2^{i \bmod (n-1)}})$
 - A. For every $p=1$ to $2^{i \bmod (n-1)}$

- i. If $\text{nxtMin}_{01} \in F$ then

$$E_{01}^i = (E_{01}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 1;$$
- ii. Else

$$E_{01}^i = (E_{01}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 0;$$
- iii. If $\text{nxtMin}_{10} \in F$ then

$$E_{10}^i = (E_{10}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 1;$$
- iv. Else

$$E_{10}^i = (E_{10}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 0;$$
- v. Set $\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{nxtMin}_{01} + 1$;
- vi. Set $\text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{nxtMin}_{10} + 1$;
- B. End loop
- C. Set $D^i = 2^{(i+2) \bmod n}$;
- D. Set $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^i$;
- E. Set $\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^i$;
- F. Set $\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01}$
- G. Set $\text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10}$
6. End loop
7. End

Example 1. To identify total symmetry, consider the five variable switching function

$$F(x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0) = \Sigma(7, 11, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26, 28).$$

The reduced invariant set

$$R' = \{x_0 \sim x_1, x_1 \sim x_2, x_2 \sim x_3, x_3 \sim x_4, x_4 \sim x_0\}$$

Where x_i is either primed or unprimed.

Now examine this five invariants independently to check whether all the invariants in R holds for the given function or not.

To check whether the first invariant $x_0 \sim x_1$ holds or not, it is necessary to construct the existent parameters E_{01}^0 and E_{10}^0 first. If $E_{01}^0 \oplus E_{10}^0 = 0$, then $x_0 \sim x_1$ and $\bar{x}_0 \sim \bar{x}_1$. Here in given function the number of variables is $n=5$, and the number of bits in each of the existent parameter is $k=2^{n-2}=2^{5-2}=8$.

Construction of E_{01}^0 and E_{10}^0 , where $i=0$

According to Definition 5, initially $E_{01}^0 = 0$ and $E_{10}^0 = 0$. The MSB of E_{01}^0 denotes the existence of the minterm $M_{01k-1}^0 = 2^i$ according to Theorem 3. So, the MSB of E_{01}^0 denotes the existence of the minterm $M_{013}^0 = 2^0 = 1$. Similarly from Theorem 4, the MSB of E_{10}^0 denote the existence of the minterm $M_{10k-1}^0 = 2^{(i+1) \bmod n}$. Therefore, the MSB of E_{10}^0 denotes the existence of the minterm $M_{103}^0 = 2^{(0+1) \bmod 4} = 2^1 = 2$.

Here $(k/2^{i \bmod (n-1)}) = (8/2^{0 \bmod 4}) = 8$ number of passes are required and in each pass $2^{i \bmod (n-1)} = 1$ number of iterations are needed. For each pass displacement $D^i = 2^{(i+2) \bmod n}$ is needed to

generate next set of minterms according to Theorem 6. Here $D^0 = 2^{(0+2) \bmod 5} = 4$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{prvMin}_{01} &= M_{103}^0 = 1; & \text{nxtMin}_{01} &= \text{prvMin}_{01} = 1; \\ \text{prvMin}_{10} &= M_{103}^0 = 2; & \text{nxtMin}_{10} &= \text{prvMin}_{10} = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Pass 1.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 1 \notin F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0=0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

$$\text{As } 2 \notin F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

For next pass: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^0 = 1 + 4 = 5$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^0 = 2 + 4 = 6$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 5; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 6$$

Pass 2.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 5 \notin F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0=0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

$$\text{As } 6 \notin F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

For pass 3: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^0 = 5 + 4 = 9$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^0 = 6 + 4 = 10$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 9; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 10$$

Pass 3.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 9 \notin F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

$$\text{As } 10 \notin F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

For pass 4: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^0 = 9 + 4 = 13$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^0 = 10 + 4 = 14$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 13; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 14$$

Pass 4.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 13 \in F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1=0 \text{ OR } 1 = 1$$

$$\text{As } 14 \in F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 0 \text{ OR } 1 = 1$$

For pass 5: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^0 = 13 + 4 = 17$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^0 = 14 + 4 = 18$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 17; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 18$$

Pass 5.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 17 \notin F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0=2 \text{ OR } 0 = 2$$

$$\text{As } 18 \notin F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 2 \text{ OR } 0 = 2$$

For pass 6: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^0 = 17 + 4 = 21$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^0 = 18 + 4 = 22$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 21; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 22$$

Pass 6.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 21 \in F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1=4 \text{ OR } 1 = 5$$

$$\text{As } 22 \in F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 4 \text{ OR } 1 = 5$$

For pass 7: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^0 = 21 + 4 = 25$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^0 = 22 + 4 = 26$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 25; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 26$$

Pass 7.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 25 \in F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1=10 \text{ OR } 1 = 11$$

$$\text{As } 26 \in F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 10 \text{ OR } 1 = 11$$

For pass 8: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^0 = 25 + 4 = 29$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^0 = 26 + 4 = 30$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 29; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 30$$

Pass 8.Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 29 \notin F; E_{01}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 22 \text{ OR } 0 = 22$$

$$\text{As } 30 \notin F; E_{10}^0 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^0 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 22 \text{ OR } 0 = 22$$

Hence, E_{01}^0 and E_{10}^0 are obtained. As $E_{01}^0 \oplus E_{10}^0 = 0$; $x_0 \sim x_1$ and $\bar{x}_0 \sim \bar{x}_1$ holds. Now continuing the process and find E_{01}^1 and E_{10}^1 to check whether $x_1 \sim x_2$ or not.

Construction of E_{01}^1 and E_{10}^1 , where $i=1$

Similarly, $M_{103}^1 = 2^1 = 2; M_{103}^1 = 2^{(1+1) \bmod 5} = 2^2 = 4$.

Here $(k/2^{i \bmod (n-1)}) = (8/2^{1 \bmod 4}) = 4$ number of passes are required. In each pass $2^{i \bmod (n-1)} = 2$ number of iterations are required and displacement $D^i = 2^{(i+2) \bmod n}$ helps to generate next set of minterms as in Theorem 6. Here, $D^1 = 2^{(1+2) \bmod 5} = 8$. In every iteration the next minterm is generated by adding 1 with its previous value. Initially $E_{01}^1 = 0$ and $E_{10}^1 = 0$. Here,

$$\text{prvMin}_{01} = M_{103}^1 = 2; \text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 2;$$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = M_{103}^1 = 4; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 4.$$

Pass 1.

Iteration 1.

$$\text{As } 2 \notin F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0=0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

$$\text{As } 4 \notin F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

For next iteration : $\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{nxtMin}_{01} + 1 = 2 + 1 = 3$

And $\text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{nxtMin}_{10} + 1 = 4 + 1 = 5$

Iteration 2.

$$\text{As } 3 \notin F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0=0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

$$\text{As } 5 \notin F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$$

For pass 2: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^1 = 2 + 8 = 10$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^1 = 4 + 8 = 12$$

$$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 10; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 12$$

Pass 2.

Iteration 1.

As $10 \notin F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$

As $12 \notin F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 0 \text{ OR } 0 = 0$

For next iteration: $\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{nxtMin}_{01} + 1 = 10 + 1 = 11$ and

$$\text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{nxtMin}_{10} + 1 = 12 + 1 = 13$$

Iteration 2.

As $11 \in F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 0 \text{ OR } 1 = 1$

As $13 \in F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 0 \text{ OR } 1 = 1$

For pass 3: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^1 = 10 + 8 = 18$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^1 = 12 + 8 = 20$$

$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 18; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 20$

Pass 3.

Iteration 1.

As $18 \notin F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 2 \text{ OR } 0 = 2$

As $20 \notin F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 2 \text{ OR } 0 = 2$

For next iteration: $\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{nxtMin}_{01} + 1 = 18 + 1 = 19$ and

$$\text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{nxtMin}_{10} + 1 = 20 + 1 = 21$$

Iteration 2.

As $19 \in F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 4 \text{ OR } 1 = 5$

As $21 \in F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 4 \text{ OR } 1 = 5$

For pass 4: $\text{prvMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} + D^1 = 18 + 8 = 26$

$$\text{prvMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} + D^1 = 20 + 8 = 28$$

$\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{prvMin}_{01} = 26; \text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{prvMin}_{10} = 28$

Pass 4.

Iteration 1.

As $26 \in F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 10 \text{ OR } 1 = 11$

As $28 \in F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 1 = 10 \text{ OR } 1 = 11$

For next iteration: $\text{nxtMin}_{01} = \text{nxtMin}_{01} + 1 = 26 + 1 = 27$

and $\text{nxtMin}_{10} = \text{nxtMin}_{10} + 1 = 28 + 1 = 29$

Iteration 2.

As $27 \notin F; E_{01}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{01}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 22 \text{ OR } 0 = 22$

As $29 \notin F; E_{10}^1 = (\text{left shift } E_{10}^1 \text{ by } 1) \text{ OR } 0 = 22 \text{ OR } 0 = 22$

Hence E_{01}^1, E_{10}^1 are obtained. As $E_{01}^1 \oplus E_{10}^1 = 0$ so $x_1 \sim x_2$ and $\bar{x}_1 \sim \bar{x}_2$ holds for the given function.

So, the process can be continued and E_{01}^2, E_{10}^2 have to be constructed where $i=2$ to check whether $x_2 \sim x_3$ hold or not. Similarly E_{01}^2, E_{10}^2 can also be constructed as previous and here

in this case $E_{01}^2 = 22$ and $E_{10}^2 = 22$ are found. As $E_{01}^2 \oplus E_{10}^2 = 0; x_2 \sim x_3$ and $\bar{x}_2 \sim \bar{x}_3$ holds.

So, the process can be continued to find E_{01}^3, E_{10}^3 where $i=3$ to check whether $x_3 \sim x_4$ hold or not. Similarly the construction of E_{01}^3, E_{10}^3 can be carried out and $E_{01}^3 = 22, E_{10}^3 = 22$ are found. As $E_{01}^3 \oplus E_{10}^3 = 0; x_3 \sim x_4$ and $\bar{x}_3 \sim \bar{x}_4$.

So, the process can be continued to find E_{01}^4, E_{10}^4 where $i=4$ to check whether $x_4 \sim x_0$ hold or not. Similarly, $E_{01}^4 = 22$ and $E_{10}^4 = 22$ can be found. As $E_{01}^4 \oplus E_{10}^4 = 0$; therefore $x_4 \sim x_0$ and $\bar{x}_4 \sim \bar{x}_0$ satisfy.

As $\{x_0 \sim x_1, x_1 \sim x_2, x_2 \sim x_3, x_3 \sim x_4, x_4 \sim x_0\}$ holds; hence the function $F(x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0) = \Sigma(7, 11, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 25, 26, 28)$

is totally symmetric.

5.3 Detection of Total and Multifform Symmetry

For detection of Total as well as multifform symmetry the existent parameters $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i$ and E_{11}^i has to be generated $\forall i=0$ to $n-1$.

If $E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i = 0$ then $x_i \sim x_{(i+1) \bmod n}$ and $\bar{x}_i \sim \bar{x}_{(i+1) \bmod n}$.

If $E_{00}^i \oplus E_{11}^i = 0$ then $x_i \sim \bar{x}_{(i+1) \bmod n}$ and $\bar{x}_i \sim x_{(i+1) \bmod n}$.

For any of i , if both the conditions i.e. $E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i = 0$ and $E_{00}^i \oplus E_{11}^i = 0$ do not hold for the given function, i.e., x_i is not invariant with $x_{(i+1) \bmod n}$ where each of them can be primed or unprimed, then the function is not total or multifform symmetry. Hence the process of finding the next set of existent parameters shall be terminated and it can be concluded that function is not total or multifform symmetry.

Proposed Algorithm for Detection of Total and Multifform Symmetric Functions

Input: A Switching Function of n variables

Output: Total or multifform Symmetry or Not

1. For $i=0$ to $n-1$ do
 - A. Call Construct_ $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i, E_{11}^i$;
 - B. If $E_{01}^i \oplus E_{10}^i \neq 0$ then
 - I. If $E_{00}^i \oplus E_{11}^i \neq 0$ then

Print “The function is not Symmetry”;

Exit;
 - II. End if
 - C. End if
2. End for
3. print “the function is Symmetry”;
4. End;

Procedure Construct_ $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i, E_{11}^i$

Input: number of literals in the given function i.e. n

Output: The Existent parameters $E_{00}^i, E_{01}^i, E_{10}^i, E_{11}^i$

1. Set $k=2^{n-2}$;

2. Set $M_{00k-1}^i=0$ and $M_{11k-1}^i=2^{(i+1) \bmod n}+2^i$;
3. Set $M_{01k-1}^i=2^i$ and $M_{10k-1}^i=2^{(i+1) \bmod n}$;
4. Set $prvMin_{00}=M_{00k-1}^i$ and $nxtMin_{00}=prvMin_{00}$;
5. Set $prvMin_{01}=M_{01k-1}^i$ and $nxtMin_{01}=prvMin_{01}$;
6. Set $prvMin_{10}=M_{10k-1}^i$ and $nxtMin_{10}=prvMin_{10}$;
7. Set $prvMin_{11}=M_{11k-1}^i$ and $nxtMin_{11}=prvMin_{11}$;
8. For every pass=1 to $(\frac{k}{2^{i \bmod (n-1)}})$
 - a. For every $p=1$ to $2^{i \bmod (n-1)}$
 - i. If $nxtMin_{00} \in F$, then
 $E_{00}^i=(E_{00}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 1$;
 - ii. Else
 $E_{00}^i=(E_{00}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 0$;
 - iii. If $nxtMin_{01} \in F$, then
 $E_{01}^i=(E_{01}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 1$;
 - iv. Else
 $E_{01}^i=(E_{01}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 0$;
 - v. If $nxtMin_{10} \in F$, then
 $E_{10}^i=(E_{10}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 1$;
 - vi. Else
 $E_{10}^i=(E_{10}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 0$;
 - vii. If $nxtMin_{11} \in F$, then
 $E_{11}^i=(E_{11}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 1$;
 - viii. Else
 $E_{11}^i=(E_{11}^i \text{ Left shift by 1}) \text{ OR } 0$;
 - ix. Set $nxtMin_{00}=nxtMin_{00}+1$;
 - x. Set $nxtMin_{01}=nxtMin_{01}+1$;
 - xi. Set $nxtMin_{10}=nxtMin_{10}+1$;
 - xii. Set $nxtMin_{11}=nxtMin_{11}+1$;
 - b. End loop
 - c. Set $D^i=2^{(i+2) \bmod n}$;
 - d. Set $prvMin_{00}=prvMin_{00}+D^i$;
 - e. Set $prvMin_{01}=prvMin_{01}+D^i$;
 - f. Set $prvMin_{10}=prvMin_{10}+D^i$;
 - g. Set $prvMin_{11}=prvMin_{11}+D^i$;
 - h. Set $nxtMin_{00}=prvMin_{00}$;
 - i. Set $nxtMin_{01}=prvMin_{01}$;
 - j. Set $nxtMin_{10}=prvMin_{10}$;
 - k. Set $nxtMin_{11}=prvMin_{11}$;

9. End loop

10. End;

Example 2.To detect total symmetry and multiform symmetry the four variable switching function is given below:

$$F(x_3,x_2,x_1,x_0)=\Sigma(0,1,3,5,8,10,11,12,13,15);$$

The reduced invariant set

$$R' = \{x_0 \sim x_1, x_1 \sim x_2, x_2 \sim x_3, x_3 \sim x_0\}$$

Where x_i is either primed or unprimed. Now examine this four invariants to check whether all the invariants in R' holds for the given function or not. Here in given function the number of variables is $n=4$, and the number of bits in each of the existent parameter is $k=2^{n-2}=2^{4-2}=4$.

To check whether the first invariant $x_0 \sim x_1$ holds or not the existent parameters $E_{00}^0, E_{01}^0, E_{10}^0$ and E_{11}^0 has to be constructed. If $E_{01}^0 \oplus E_{10}^0 = 0$, then $x_0 \sim x_1$ and $\bar{x}_0 \sim \bar{x}_1$. If $E_{00}^0 \oplus E_{11}^0 = 0$, then $x_0 \sim \bar{x}_1$ and $\bar{x}_0 \sim x_1$. The construction of existent parameters $E_{00}^0, E_{01}^0, E_{10}^0$ and E_{11}^0 can be carried out as it has been done in Example 1. For the given switching function $E_{00}^0=11, E_{01}^0=13, E_{10}^0=2$ and $E_{11}^0=11$.

As $E_{00}^0 \oplus E_{11}^0 = 0$, $x_0 \sim \bar{x}_1$ and $\bar{x}_0 \sim x_1$ holds, continue the process and find $E_{00}^1, E_{01}^1, E_{10}^1$ and E_{11}^1 for $i=1$ to check whether $x_1 \sim x_2$ holds or not. After the construction of the existent parameters $E_{00}^1=14, E_{01}^1=7, E_{10}^1=7$ and $E_{11}^1=1$. Again as $E_{01}^1 \oplus E_{10}^1 = 0$, $x_1 \sim x_2$ and $\bar{x}_1 \sim \bar{x}_2$ holds. Continue the process and find $E_{00}^2, E_{01}^2, E_{10}^2$ and E_{11}^2 for $i=2$ to check whether $x_2 \sim x_3$ satisfies or not. After the construction of the existent parameters $E_{00}^2=13, E_{01}^2=4, E_{10}^2=11$, and $E_{11}^2=13$ will be found. As $E_{01}^2 \oplus E_{10}^2 = 0$; $x_2 \sim \bar{x}_3$ and $\bar{x}_2 \sim x_3$ holds and continue the process to find the last set of existent parameters $E_{00}^3, E_{01}^3, E_{10}^3$ and E_{11}^3 ; for $i=3$ to check whether $x_3 \sim x_0$ holds or not. After the construction of the existent parameters $E_{00}^3=8, E_{01}^3=14, E_{10}^3=14$ and $E_{11}^3=7$ will be found. As $E_{01}^3 \oplus E_{10}^3 = 0$, $x_3 \sim x_0$ and $\bar{x}_3 \sim \bar{x}_0$ holds.

As

$\{x_0 \sim \bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_0 \sim x_1, x_1 \sim x_2, \bar{x}_1 \sim \bar{x}_2, x_2 \sim \bar{x}_3, \bar{x}_2 \sim x_3, x_3 \sim x_0$ and $\bar{x}_3 \sim \bar{x}_0\}$ holds for the given function; hence the given function is multiform symmetric.

6. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Table 1: Results for total symmetry identification

SLNo.	# literals	Delivered switching functions in SOP	Decomposition chart (ms) ^[11]	Residue Method (ms) ^[13]	Kohavi Method (ms) ^[14]	Proposed Method (ms)
1	3	$\Sigma(3,5,6)$	0.134	0.156	0.2	0.163
2	3	$\Sigma(1,2,3,4,5,6)$	0.152	0.143	0.206	0.175
3	4	$\Sigma(3,5,6,9,10,12,15)$	0.26	0.192	0.291	0.236

4	4	$\Sigma(1,2,4,7,8,11,13,14,15)$	0.188	0.21	0.261	0.193
5	4	$\Sigma(0,3,5,6,7,9,10,11,12,13,14,15)$	0.456	0.487	0.563	0.326
6	5	$\Sigma(0,15,23,27,29,30,31)$	0.38	0.409	0.398	0.341
7	5	$\Sigma(1,2,4,8,15,16,23,27,29,30)$	0.3	0.379	0.431	0.37
8	5	$\Sigma(0,1,2,4,8,15,16,23,27,29,30)$	0.43	0.461	0.489	0.411
9	5	$\Sigma(7,11,13,14,15,19,21,22,23,25,26,27,28,29,30)$	0.63	0.653	0.745	0.591
10	5	$\Sigma(1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,10,12,15,16,17,18,20,23,24,27,29,30)$	0.486	0.56	0.51	0.327
11	5	$\Sigma(3,5,6,7,9,10,11,12,13,14,17,18,19,20,21,22,24,25,26,28)$	0.515	0.526	0.623	0.55
12	6	$\Sigma(0,5,7,11,25,28,30,55,58,63)$	0.202	0.237	0.269	0.187
13	6	$\Sigma(0,2,4,9,10,23,28,37,50,59,61)$	0.217	0.131	0.28	0.16
14	6	$\Sigma(0,1,5,13,14,19,23,28,32,44,46,51,55,56,58,59)$	0.209	0.36	0.184	0.21
15	7	$\Sigma(0,1,8,10,13,18,36,54,57,69,90,106,117)$	0.177	0.174	0.214	0.169

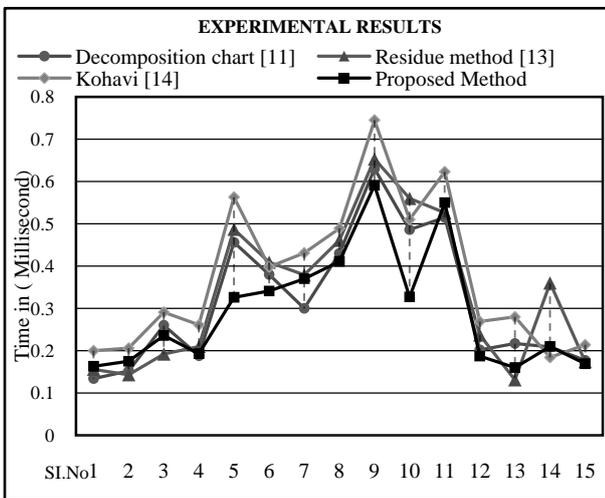


Fig. 1. Performance chart of Table 1

AVERAGE	0.316	0.339	0.378	0.294
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Table 2. Enumeration of switching functions

# literals	# Generated Functions	# Totally symmetric Functions	Decomposition chart (sec) ^[11]	Residue method (sec) ^[13]	Kohavi Method (sec) ^[14]	Proposed Method (sec)
1	4	4	0	0	0	0
2	16	8	0	0	0	0
3	256	16	0.0035	0.006	0.008	0.0029
4	65536	32	0.09	0.12	0.48	0.07
5	4294967296	64	12901.37	14895.26	19562.49	6537.13

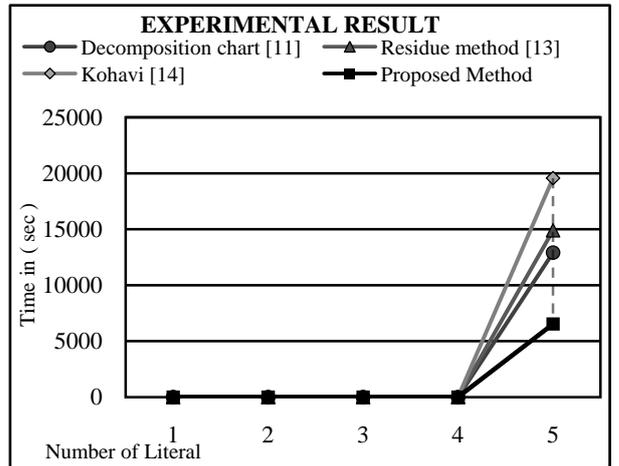


Fig. 2. Performance Chart of Table 2

Table 3. Results for total and multi symmetry identification

SI.No.	# literals	Delivered switching functions in SOP	Decomposition chart (ms) ^[11]	Residue Method (ms) ^[13]	Modified Kohavi Method (ms) ^[21]	Proposed Method (ms)
1	3	$\Sigma(0,1,3,4,6,7)$	0.188	0.201	0.179	0.185
2	4	$\Sigma(0,3,5,6,9,10,12,15)$	0.22	0.243	0.192	0.256
3	4	$\Sigma(1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,10,12)$	0.189	0.275	0.321	0.22
4	4	$\Sigma(3,5,6,7,9,10,11,12,13,14,15)$	0.362	0.486	0.43	0.271
5	5	$\Sigma(0,1,3,4,6,7,8,10,11,14)$	0.381	0.317	0.301	0.283
6	5	$\Sigma(0,9,10,12,17,18,20,24,27,29,30)$	0.398	0.478	0.497	0.422

7	5	$\Sigma(3,4,9,10,15,17,18,23,24,27,29,30)$	0.26	0.194	0.324	0.243
8	5	$\Sigma(0,1,3,4,6,7,8,10,11,14,17,20,21,23,24,25,27,28,30,31)$	0.653	0.692	0.654	0.572
9	6	$\Sigma(21,37,49,52,55,61)$	0.352	0.45	0.405	0.43
10	6	$\Sigma(19,35,49,50,51,55,59)$	0.251	0.287	0.365	0.158
11	6	$\Sigma(0,1,5,13,14,19,21,27,32,44,46,51,55,56,58,63)$	0.38	0.403	0.332	0.292
12	7	$\Sigma(26,43,52,59,68,75,84,101)$	0.595	0.562	0.575	0.515
13	7	$\Sigma(0,1,8,10,13,18,36,54,57,69,90,106,117)$	0.43	0.465	0.549	0.402
14	7	$\Sigma(0,1,5,13,19,21,27,44,49,56,57,72,83,95,110,116)$	0.88	0.932	1.03	0.681
15	8	$\Sigma(0,6,19,27,54,68,96,102,117,128,139,145)$	0.71	0.823	0.761	0.642
AVERAGE			0.416	0.453	0.461	0.372

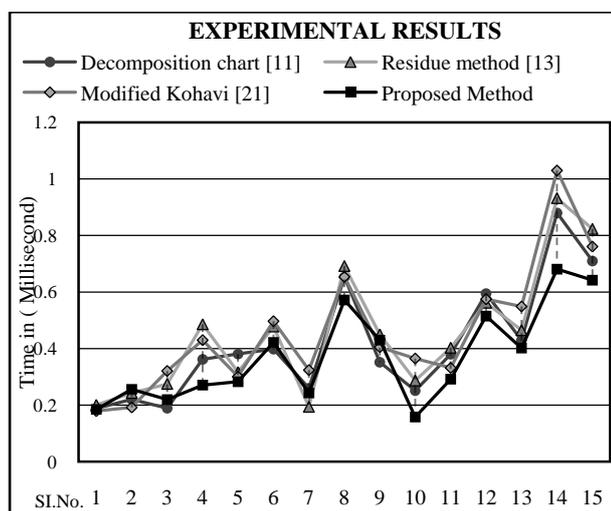


Fig. 3. Performance Chart of Table 3

The proposed approach of symmetry detection has been compared with various existing methods of symmetry detection. The methods have been implemented in C language on UNIX platform. For comparing the outcomes, the results of some existing standard symmetry detection methods have been tabulated along with the proposed method. As it turns out the proposed approach takes less time in most of the instances when compared to the other existing methods. Hence it can be concluded that the proposed method is optimum when viewed in time-space domain.

7. CONCLUSION

Detection of total and multiform symmetries cannot be viewed only as an NP complete problem, testing for any of the well-known switching functions of n literals leads to coNP complete. Various methods are available that give acceptable performance in practice, even though their worst case complexity is exponential in terms of number of input literals. These algorithms are generally used with relatively few numbers of terms, and in function representations that can be exponentially large compared to the corresponding switching variables. If all these algorithms were executed on switching

expressions with large number of inputs, their exponential behaviour would be much more evident. The document shows a novel approach for identification of totally and multiform symmetric functions, where the set of true minterms shows their invariant properties in terms of modulo-2 addition between existent parameters. The suggested algorithm can be used for both completely and incompletely specified switching functions. The attempt is worth studying, efficient approach for detection of group and rotational symmetry is the own envy. The next attempt is to build a catalogue of symmetries under function description and work with other types of special switching functions, which will be a new attachment to the existing state-of-the-art technology.

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