

OPTIMIZATION OF LOGISTIC MOTOR TRANSPORT NETWORKS WITH APPLICATION OF PROPOSITIONAL CALCULUS LAWS

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Abstract Some proposition of mathematical logic application for optimization of logistic nets describing motor transport has been presented in this paper. Some algorithm for optimization steps has been proposed in the article. In presented example has been elaborated some optimization of logistic net for motor transport. The optimized logistics network for motor transport significantly improves reliability and contributes to the economical use of the vehicle.

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1. INTRODUCTION

A logistics network is a group of events describing the modelling of motor transport. By the symbol T we will denote a certain event that occurs in the assumptions of the transport logistics. Operation of the logistics network is based on the appearance or non-appearance of the event in points in the network, which is interpreted as an admission by a variable T the value of 1 (there is a transport) or 0 (there is not a transport). Propositional calculus can be used to optimize logistics networks which describe some transport. Logistics network is based on three main elements: summing element (\vee), product element (\wedge) and negating element (\sim). Symbols \vee , \wedge and \sim mean the conjunctions “or”, “and” and “not” (Fig. 1).

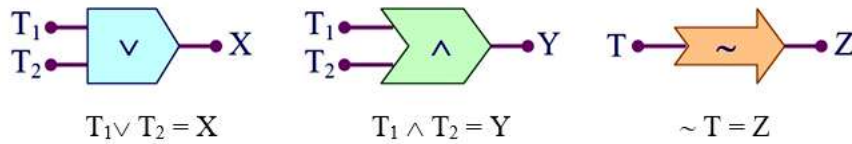


Fig. 1 Basic input transports T_1 , T_2 , T and output transports X , Y , Z of logistics transport network

Properties 1–2. (Laws of commutative and connection of alternatives) (Grzegorzcyk, 1969; Majewski, 2003; Rutkowski, 1978)

For any transports T_1 , T_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 \vee T_2 &= T_2 \vee T_1, \\ (T_1 \vee T_2) \vee T_3 &= T_1 \vee (T_2 \vee T_3). \end{aligned}$$

Properties 3–4. (Laws of commutative and connection of conjunction) (Grzegorzcyk, 1969; Majewski, 2003; Rutkowski, 1978)

For any transports T_1 , T_2 :

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 \wedge T_2 &= T_2 \wedge T_1, \\ (T_1 \wedge T_2) \wedge T_3 &= T_1 \wedge (T_2 \wedge T_3) \end{aligned}$$

Properties 5–6.

[Laws of separation of conjunctions (alternatives) to the alternatives (conjunction)] (Grzegorzcyk, 1969; Majewski, 2003; Rutkowski, 1978)

For any transports T_1 , T_2 , T_3 :

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 \wedge (T_2 \vee T_3) &= (T_1 \wedge T_2) \vee (T_1 \wedge T_3) \\ T_1 \vee (T_2 \wedge T_3) &= (T_1 \vee T_2) \wedge (T_1 \vee T_3) \end{aligned}$$

Property 7. (Law of contradiction)

No transport can not be true at the same time with the transport of the opposite (i.e. Their conjunction gives a contradiction) (Grzegorzcyk, 1969; Majewski, 2003; Rutkowski, 1978)

For any transport (sentence) T:

$$\sim T \wedge T = 0$$

Properties 8–9. (De Morgan’s laws) [3,6,8]

For any transports T_1, T_2 :

$$\sim (T_1 \wedge T_2) = \sim T_1 \vee \sim T_2$$

$$\sim (T_1 \vee T_2) = \sim T_1 \wedge \sim T_2$$

Table 1 Truth tables for negation, alternative and conjunction of transports (Grzegorzcyk, 1969; Majewski, 2003; Rutkowski, 1978)

T_1	T_2	$\sim T_1$	$\sim T_2$	$T_1 \wedge T_2$	$T_1 \vee T_2$
1	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	1
0	0	1	1	0	0

The existence or non-existence of T_1 and T_2 transports for basic logic systems can be presented in the corresponding table (i.e. for negation, conjunction and alternatives of transports) (Tab. 1).

2. MODELLING OF MOTOR TRANSPORT CONDITIONS

In modelling of a motor transport network, some selected laws of the propositional calculus have been used. Taking into account the modelling of transport, its analytical description, the optimization of patterns and the correctness of the analysed schemes, the authors propose to adopt the scheme of steps (Fig. 2).

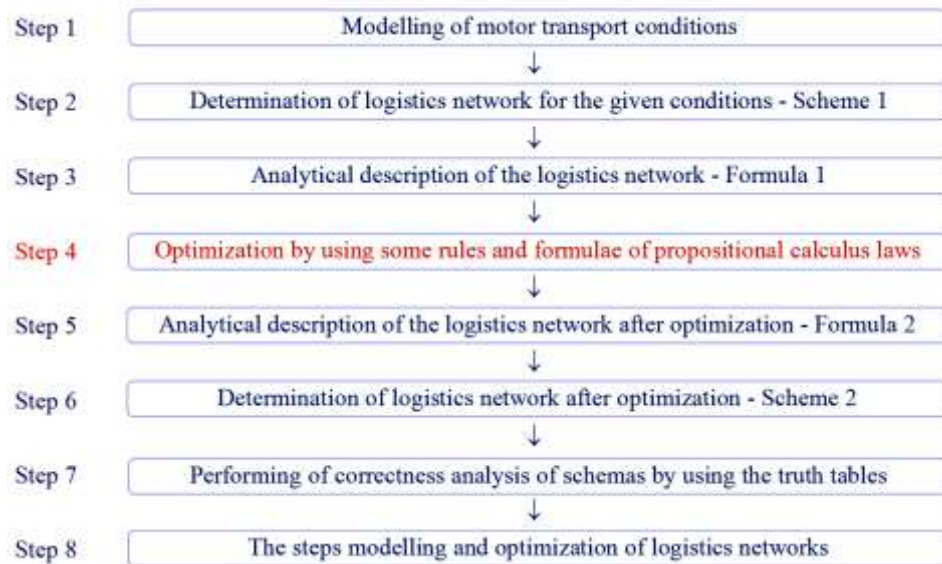


Fig. 2 The steps modelling and optimization of logistics networks

The suggested scheme of action can be used equally well to describe the flow patterns in other logistics networks. In the above diagram, the authors propose the use of an analytical method to carry out the optimization process. In addition, numerical proofs of the correctness of the optimization process are shown. Numeric programs, such as *Mathematica*, *MS-Excel* and *MathCAD*, are used in numerical proofs. It should be noted, however, that there are computer programs that themselves carry out optimization without the need for an analytical and numerical method.

3. OPTIMIZATION OF SELECTED LOGISTIC NETS DESCRIBING MOTOR TRANSPORT

Step 1:

Let us suppose T_1 , T_2 , T_3 and T_4 mean some transports of apples. These transports T_1 , T_2 , T_3 and T_4 are realized according to the following assumption:

[are not realized (transport T_1 or transport T_3) and is realized the transport T_2] or
 {[is not realized transport T_3 and is realized transport T_2] or is realized transport T_2] and is realized transport T_1]}.

Step 2:

Based on that assumption it is possible to build a logistics network LN-A (Fig. 3). The transports T_1, T_2, T_3 and T_4 – among the other selections – there are some portion of apples. Point W of the logistics network describes a target of delivery transports. To delivery point W by connections according with the logistics network NL-A may reach the species of apples from any transport T_1, T_2, T_3 and T_4 .

It should be optimized the logistics network LN-A to apply the assumption, propositional calculus laws in order to reduce discussed transport logistics network. The logistics network LN-A before optimisation has 8 logic gates for transports T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4 and the target point W (Fig. 3).

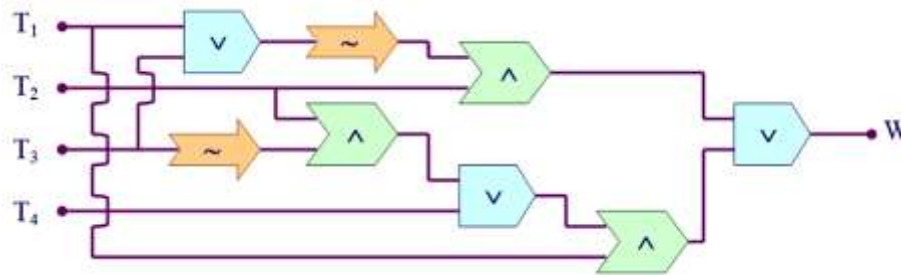


Fig. 3 Logistics network LN-A with 8 logic gates for transports T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4 and the target point W before optimisation

Step 3:

Logistics network LN-A formed according to the scheme in Fig. 2 describes the formula:

$$[\sim(T_1 \vee T_3) \wedge T_2] \vee \{ [(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee T_4] \wedge T_2 \} = W$$

Step 4:

Property 10. (Formula to proof)

For any of the three elements T_1, T_2, T_3 of logistics network:

$$[\sim(T_1 \vee T_3) \wedge T_2] \vee \{ [(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee T_4] \wedge T_1 \} = (\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1)$$

Proof:

Using de Morgan law and distributive law of conjunction, to the left side of the formula (11) we get:

$$[(\sim T_1 \wedge \sim T_3) \wedge T_2] \vee \{ [(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \wedge T_1] \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1) \} = W$$

In the formula (12) we apply the associative law of conjunction, and then we have:

$$(\sim T_1 \wedge \sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee [(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2 \wedge T_1) \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1)] = W$$

Taking into account in the formula (13) two times the associative law of conjunction we have:

$$[\sim T_1 \wedge (\sim T_3 \wedge T_2)] \vee [(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \wedge T_1] \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1) = W$$

Using the distributive law of alternative in the formula (14) we get:

$$[(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee (\sim T_1 \wedge T_1)] \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1) = W$$

Using the law of contradiction in the formula (15) we get:

$$(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1) = W$$

which is equivalent to the right side of equation (11), and also completes the proof of the property 10.

Step 5:

Optimized logistics network LN-B can be described by the following formula:

$$(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1) = W$$

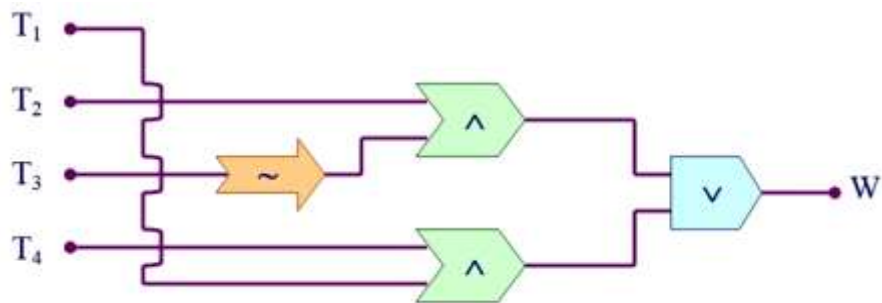


Fig. 4 Logistic network LN-B with 4 logic gates for transports T_1 , T_2 , T_3 , T_4 and the target point W after optimisation

Step 7:

Let us perform proofs of formula (11) for schemas LN-A and LN-B by using numerical programs *Mathematica*, *MS-Excel* and *MathCAD*.

Proof of formula (11) by using *Mathematica* program

In *Mathematica* we have symbol ! for negation, || for alternative, && for conjunction.

Table 2 *Mathematica* program for the formula (10) (Abel, 1993; Grzymkowski, Kapusta & Słota, 1994; Trott, 2006)

Mathematica for formula: $[\sim(T_1 \vee T_3) \wedge T_2]$ $\vee \{[(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee T_4] \wedge T_1\}$	Results:
In[1]:=	
T1=False;T2=False;T3=False;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[1]= False
T1=False;T2=False;T3=False;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[2]= False
T1=False;T2=False;T3=True;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[3]= False
T1=False;T2=False;T3=True;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[4]= False
T1=False;T2=True;T3=False;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[5]= True
T1=False;T2=True;T3=False;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[6]= True
T1=False;T2=True;T3=True;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[7]= False
T1=False;T2=True;T3=True;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[8]= False
T1=True;T2=False;T3=False;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[9]= False
T1=True;T2=False;T3=False;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[10]= True
T1=True;T2=False;T3=True;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[11]= False
T1=True;T2=False;T3=True;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[12]= True
T1=True;T2=True;T3=False;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[13]= True
T1=True;T2=True;T3=False;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[14]= True
T1=True;T2=True;T3=True;T4=False;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[15]= False
T1=True;T2=True;T3=True;T4=True;	
(!(T1 T3)&&T2) ((!T3&&T2) T4)&&T1)	Out[16]= True

Table 3 *Mathematica* program for the formula (16) (Abel, 1993; Grzymkowski, Kapusta & Słota, 1994; Trott, 2006)

<i>Mathematica</i> for formula $(\sim T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1)$	Results:
<code>In[1] :=</code>	
<code>T1=False;T2=False;T3=False;T4=False;(!T3&&T2)</code>	<code>Out[1]=</code>
<code> (T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=False;T2=False;T3=False;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[2]=</code>
<code> (T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=False;T2=False;T3=True;T4=False;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[3]=</code>
<code> (T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=False;T2=False;T3=True;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[4]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=False;T2=True;T3=False;T4=False;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[5]=</code>
<code> (T4&&T1)</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>T1=False;T2=True;T3=False;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[6]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>T1=False;T2=True;T3=True;T4=False;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[7]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=False;T2=True;T3=True;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[8]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=False;T3=False;T4=False;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[9]=</code>
<code> (T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=False;T3=False;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[10]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=False;T3=True;T4=False;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[11]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=False;T3=True;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[12]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=True;T3=False;T4=False;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[13]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=True;T3=False;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[14]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>True</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=True;T3=True;T4=False;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[15]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>False</code>
<code>T1=True;T2=True;T3=True;T4=True;(!T3&&T2) </code>	<code>Out[16]=</code>
<code>(T4&&T1)</code>	<code>True</code>

The both sides of equation (11) are equivalent. That completes the proof of property 10.

Proof of formula (11) by using MS-Excel program

In MS-Excel we have:

operation =JEŻELI(NIE(X)=PRAWDA;1;0) for negation,

operation =JEŻELI(LUB(X1;X2)=PRAWDA;1;0) for alternative,

operation =JEŻELI(ORAZ(X1;X2)=PRAWDA;1;0) for conjunction,

operation =JEŽELI(ORAZ(JEŽELI(X1<=X2;1;0);JEŽELI(X2<=X1;1;0));1,0)
for equivalence.

where X, X1, X2 mean some realisation of transports which in MS-Excel program have the values 1 for realized transport and 0 for non-realized transport.

Table 5 MS-Excel program for the formula (10) (Gonet, 2010; Smogur, 2008; University of Cape Town, 2013)

				A				B			
T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	T ₁ ∨T ₃	~(T ₁ ∨T ₃)	~(T ₁ ∨T ₃) ∧T ₂	~T ₃	~T ₃ ∧T ₂	(~T ₃ ∧T ₂) ∨T ₄	[(~T ₃ ∧T ₂) ∨T ₄]∧T ₁	A∨B
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1

Table 6 MS-Excel program for the formula (16) (Gonet, 2010; Smogur, 2008; University of Cape Town, 2013)

T ₁	T ₂	T ₃	T ₄	~T ₃	~T ₃ ∧T ₂	T ₄ ∧T ₁	(~T ₃ ∧T ₂)∨(T ₄ ∧T ₁)
0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1

From comparison of the last columns in the Table 5 we see that they are identical. This fact means that the logistics networks LN-A and LN-B are equivalent. The both sides of equation (11) are equivalent. That completes the proof of property 10.

Proof of formula (11) by using *MathCAD* program

In *MathCAD* we have symbol \neg for negation, \vee for alternative, \wedge for conjunction.

Table 7 *MathCAD* program for the formulae (10) and (16) (Jakubowski, 2000; Maxfield, 2009)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \begin{array}{c} (0) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} & := & \begin{array}{c} (0) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} & & \begin{array}{c} (0) \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} & := & \begin{array}{c} (0) \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} \\
 T1 := & & T2 := & & T3 := & & T4 := & & \begin{array}{c} (0) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} & \xrightarrow{((\neg T1) \vee T3) \wedge T2 \vee ((\neg T3 \wedge T2) \vee T4) \vee T1} = & \begin{array}{c} (0) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} & \xrightarrow{(\neg T3 \wedge T2) \vee (T4 \wedge T1)} = & \begin{array}{c} (0) \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

From the comparison of two vectors in the table 7 we see that they have identical values. This fact means that the logistics networks LN-A and LN-B are equivalent. The both sides of equation (11) are equivalent. That completes the proof of property 10.

The results of numerical analysis in programs *MS-Excel*, *Mathematica* and *MathCAD* for the logistics networks LN-A and LN-B proof the property 10 is true.

Step 8:

We see that the transports T_1 , T_2 , T_3 and T_4 which have some parts of apples, are car-ried out to the target point W by transport realization according with 7 input systems (0100), (0101), (1001), (1011), (1100), (1101) and (1111). Input system (0000) indicates that none of the four transports T_1 , T_2 , T_3 , T_4 is not implemented. This means that it is possible to use the optimized logistics transport networks LN-B which is described by the formula $(\neg T_3 \wedge T_2) \vee (T_4 \wedge T_1)$.

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In obtained input systems (0100), (0101), (1001), (1011), (1100), (1101), (1111) we can see the following realization of transports to the target point W:

- input system (0100) means that only transport T_2 is realized,
- input system (0101) means that only two transports T_2 and T_4 are realized,
- input system (1001) means that only two transports T_1 and T_4 are realized,
- input system (1100) means that only two transports T_1 and T_2 are realized,
- input system (1011) means that only three transports T_1 , T_3 and T_4 are realized,
- input system (1101) means that only three transports T_1 , T_2 and T_4 are realized,
- input system (1111) means that all four transports T_1 , T_2 , T_3 and T_4 are realized.

The most economical transport, as to the number of trucks, is realized by the exit (1000). The most unfavourable transport, as to the number of trucks, is carried out by the exit (1111). The most effective transport, as to the number of trucks, is carried out by the exit (0101), (1001), (1100). The average effective transport of the number of trucks is carried out by the exit (1011) and (1101).

Taking into account the above-mentioned facts, it can be stated that the LN-B logistics transport network is more advantageous than the LN-A network in terms of both economics and logistics.

The most reliable gate in both logistics transport networks is the gate (1111), which means the use of transports T_1 , T_2 , T_3 and T_4 . However, at the gate (0100) you get the most economical transport which means the use of only one truck T_2 .

Both transport logistics networks LN-A and LN-B are both equivalent and reliable.

5. CONCLUSION

Motor transport systems can be describe by elements that are fundamental gates of logistics transport networks. Logistics network for transport systems can be describe by analytical formulas or graphic patterns accordance with the propositional calculus laws.

Logistics network can be optimized by using the propositional calculus laws. Optimization of logistics network describing motor transport allows to create such logistics network that is less complicated than initially described in given transport model.

Modelling the truth tables for logistics networks can be shown by both analytical method and in numerical programs *Mathematica*, *MS-Excel* and *MathCAD*.

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