

Homework Assignment 7

CS/ECE 3810: Computer Organization
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Boolean Expressions and Logic Design

Due Date: Oct 26, 2020
(100 points)

Important Notes:

- Solutions turned in must be your own. Please, mention references (if any) at the end of each question. *Please refrain from cheating.*
- All solutions must be accompanied by the equations used/logic/intermediate steps. Writing only the final answer will receive **zero** credits.
- Partial score of every question is dedicated to each correct final answer provided by you. Please ensure both your equation/logic and final answer are correct. Moreover, you are expected to provide explanation for your solutions.
- All units must be mentioned wherever required.
- Late submissions (**after 11:59PM on 10/26/2020**) will not be accepted.
- For Question 2, hand drawn solutions are accepted. However, the drawings have to be legible. Illegible drawings may result in a penalty.
- We encourage all solutions to be typed in for which you could use software programs like L^AT_EX, Microsoft Word etc. If you submit handwritten solutions, they must be readable by the TAs to receive credits.

Boolean expression reduction. Lecture 14 introduces boolean algebra and logic , along with some laws that govern boolean algebra.

Refer to Slide #8 of the [Hardware for Arithmetic](#) lecture for the basic boolean algebra laws.

Question 1. Simplify the given boolean expressions, only using the specific laws mentioned in each sub-question. If multiple laws are used, show stepwise how each law helps in reducing the expression. **(30 points)**

1. Use the *distributive* and *inverse* laws to simplify the following term: $(a + b)(\bar{a} + \bar{b})$
2. Use the *distributive* and *zero & one* laws to simplify the following term: $b + \bar{a}b\bar{c}\bar{d} + ab\bar{c}\bar{d} + \bar{a}bcd$

Boolean Algebra Rules

□ Identity law

$$\blacksquare A + 0 = A$$

$$\blacksquare A \cdot 1 = A$$

□ Zero and One laws

$$\blacksquare A + 1 = 1$$

$$\blacksquare A \cdot 0 = 0$$

□ Inverse laws

$$\blacksquare A \cdot \overline{A} = 0$$

$$\blacksquare A + \overline{A} = 1$$

□ Commutative laws

$$\blacksquare A + B = B + A$$

$$\blacksquare A \cdot B = B \cdot A$$

□ Associative laws

$$\blacksquare A + (B + C) = (A + B) + C$$

$$\blacksquare A \cdot (B \cdot C) = (A \cdot B) \cdot C$$

□ Distributive laws

$$\blacksquare A \cdot (B + C) = (A \cdot B) + (A \cdot C)$$

$$\blacksquare A + (B \cdot C) = (A + B) \cdot (A + C)$$

Figure 1: Boolean Laws

3. Use the *inverse* law to simplify the following term: $(a + \overline{a})(b + \overline{b})(c + \overline{c})$
 4. Use the *distributive* and *zero & one* laws to simplify the following term: $ab + ab\overline{c}\overline{d} + \overline{c}\overline{d}$
1. $(a + b)(\overline{a} + \overline{b}) \Rightarrow a\overline{a} + a\overline{b} + b\overline{a} + b\overline{b}$ by the Distributive law.
 $a\overline{a} + a\overline{b} + b\overline{a} + b\overline{b} \Rightarrow 0 + a\overline{b} + b\overline{a} + 0$ by the Inverse law
 $0 + a\overline{b} + b\overline{a} + 0 \Rightarrow a\overline{b} + b\overline{a}$ by the Identity law.
 2. $b + \overline{a}b\overline{c}\overline{d} + ab\overline{c}\overline{d} + \overline{a}b\overline{c}\overline{d} \Rightarrow b + (1 + \overline{a}b\overline{c}\overline{d}) + (1 + ab\overline{c}\overline{d}) + (1 + \overline{a}b\overline{c}\overline{d})$ by the Distributive law
 $b + (1 + \overline{a}b\overline{c}\overline{d}) + (1 + ab\overline{c}\overline{d}) + (1 + \overline{a}b\overline{c}\overline{d}) \Rightarrow b$ by the zero and one law.
 3. $(a + \overline{a})(b + \overline{b})(c + \overline{c}) \Rightarrow (1)(1)(1)$ by the Inverse law. This simplifies to 1.
 4. $ab + ab\overline{c}\overline{d} + \overline{c}\overline{d} \Rightarrow ab + (1 + \overline{c}\overline{d}) + \overline{c}\overline{d}$ by the Distributive law.
 $ab + (1 + \overline{c}\overline{d}) + \overline{c}\overline{d} \Rightarrow ab + \overline{c}\overline{d}$ by the zero and one law.

Truth tables and universal gate representations. Lecture 14 introduces truth tables, drawing truth tables, and finding sum-of-product expressions using the drawn truth tables. The following question tests the student's understanding of truth tables, and finding sum-of-product representations of given expressions.

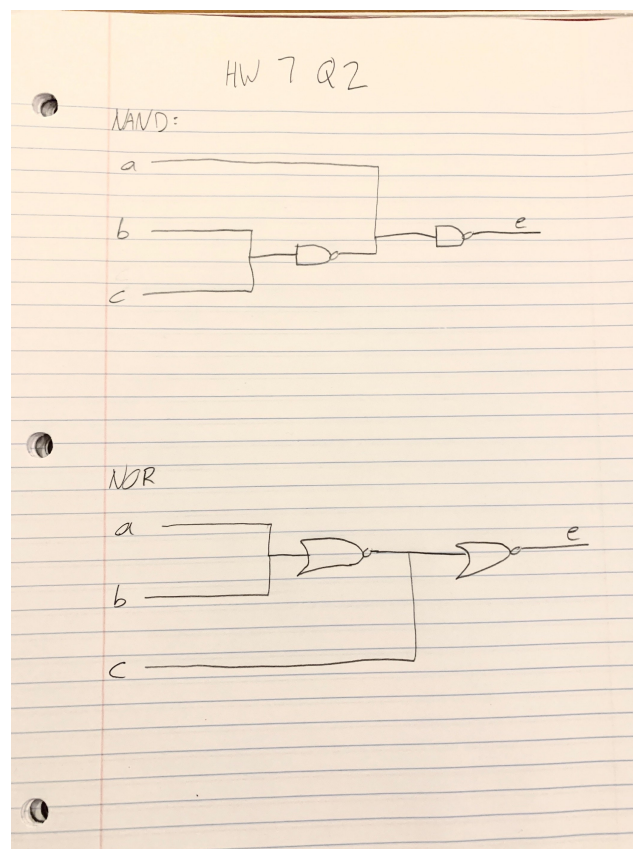
Question 2. The aim of this question is to find the universal gate(NAND-only/NOR-only) representations of boolean expressions. **(30 points)**

Draw the truth table for the expression $e = abc + (a + b)(b + c)(a + c)$, and express the resulting sum-of-product equation in

1. NAND-only form
2. NOR-only form

Note. For this question, hand drawn NAND-only/NOR-only submissions are allowed. However, please make sure that the drawings are legible. Lack of clarity in the drawings may result in a penalty.

a	b	c	e
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1



Logic Block. A logic block comprises binary inputs and binary outputs. The output is only a function of the inputs. A truth table defines the outputs of a logic block for each set of inputs. (Refer '14. Hardware for Arithmetic' lecture Slide #10-#13)

In this question, let's create truth tables and Boolean equations based on the circuit behaviors defined below:

Question 3.A. An addition circuit takes two 2-bit unsigned numbers and a carry-in as input, and produces a sum and carry-out as outputs.

Consider an example of adding 2 2-bit numbers - 01 and 11 and carry in of 1:

In this case, $A_1 = 0$, $A_0 = 1$; $B_1 = 1$, $B_0 = 1$ and $C_i = 1$

Adding them would give the output as 01 and carry out of 1.

Thus, $C_o = 1$, $S_1 = 0$ and $S_0 = 1$

(20 points)

i) Fill in the truth table below to achieve the above behavior:

A1	A0	B1	B0	Ci	Co	S1	S0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

ii) Based on the truth table filled above, write boolean equation(s) that describe how each output is computed from the inputs. Write each equation in sum-of-products form, and make sure your equation matches the truth table.

$$C_o = B_1B_0C_i + A_0B_0C_i + A_0B_1C_i + A_0B_1B_0 + A_0B_1B_0C_i + A_1B_0C_i + A_1B_1 + A_1B_1C_i +$$

$$A1B1B0 + A1B1B0C_i + A1A0C_i + A1B1B0 + A1B1B0C_i + A1A0B1 + A1A0B1C_i + A1A0B1B0 + A1A0B1B0C_i$$

$$S1 = B0C_i + B1 + B1C_i + B1B0 + A0C_i + A0B0 + A0B1 + A1 + A1C_i + A1B0 + A1A0 + A1A0B1C_i + A1A0B1B0 + A1A0B1B0C_i$$

$$S0 = C_i + B0 + B1C_i + B1B0 + A0 + A0B0C_i + A0B1 + A0B1B0C_i + A1C_i + A1B0 + A1B1C_i + A1B1B0 + A1B1B0C_i + A1A0 + A1A0B0C_i + A1A0B1B0C_i$$

Question 3.B. A logic circuit takes in one 4 bit binary number. It outputs 1 only if the binary number represents a prime number. **(20 points)**

i) Fill in the truth table below to achieve the above behavior:

S3	S2	S1	S0	Output
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	1
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0

ii) Based on the truth table filled above, write boolean equation(s) that describe how each output is computed from the inputs. Write each equation in sum-of-products form, and make sure your equation matches the truth table.

$$\text{Output} = \overline{S3}S2S1S0 + \overline{S3}S2\overline{S1}S0 + \overline{S3}S2S1\overline{S0} + S3\overline{S2}S1S0 + S3S2\overline{S1}S0$$