

### Question 1: (10marks)

a)

$$(x + y + z)' = x'y'z'$$

x	y	z	x'	y'	z'	(x+y+z)	(x+y+z)'	x'y'z'
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0

$$(xyz)' = x' + y' + z'$$

x	y	z	x'	y'	z'	xyz	(xyz)'	x' + y' + z'
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0

b) The distributive law:  $x + yz = (x + y)(x + z)$

x	y	z	yz	x + yz	(x+y)	(x+z)	(x + y)(x + z)
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

(c) The distributive law:  $x(y + z) = xy + xz$

x	y	z	(y + z)	$x(y + z)$	xy	xz	$xy + xz$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

(d) The associative law:  $x + (y + z) = (x + y) + z$

x	y	z	(y + z)	$x + (y + z)$	(x + y)	$(x + y) + z$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1

(e) The associative law and  $x(yz) = (xy)z$

x	y	z	yz	$x(yz)$	xy	$(xy)z$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1	1	1

**Question 2: (10marks)**

**Simplify the following Boolean expressions to a minimum number of literals:**

**(a)  $ABC + A'B + ABC'$**

$$\begin{aligned} ABC + A'B + ABC &\stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} B(AC + A') + ABC' \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} \\ &B(C + A') + ABC' \stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} BC + BA' + ABC' \stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} \\ &BA' + B(C + AC') \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} BA' + B(A + C) \stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} \\ BA' + BA + BC &\stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} B(A + A') + BC \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} B1 + BC \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} B + BC \\ &\stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} B \end{aligned}$$

**(b)  $x'yz + xz$**

$$x'yz + xz \stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} z(x'y + x) \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} z(x + y) \stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} zx + zy$$

**(c)  $(x + y)'(x' + y')$**

$$\begin{aligned} (x + y)'(x' + y') &\stackrel{\text{DeMorgan's theorem}}{=} x'y'(x' + y') = x'y'x' + y'x'y' \stackrel{\text{Idempotent Law}}{=} \\ &x'y' + y'x'y' \stackrel{\text{Idempotent Law}}{=} x'y' + x'y' \stackrel{\text{Idempotent Law}}{=} x'y' \end{aligned}$$

**(d)  $xy + x(wz + wz')$**

$$xy + x(wz + wz') \stackrel{\text{Distributive law}}{=} xy + xw(z + z') \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} xy + xw1 \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} xy + xw$$

**(e)  $(BC' + A'D)(AB' + CD')$**

$$\begin{aligned} (BC' + A'D)(AB' + CD') &= BC'(AB' + CD') + A'D(AB' + CD') \\ &= BC'AB' + BC'CD' + A'D(AB' + CD') \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} 0 + BC'CD' + A'D(AB' + CD') \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} \\ &BC'CD' + A'D(AB' + CD') \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} 0 + A'D(AB' + CD') \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} A'D(AB' + CD') \\ &= A'DAB' + A'DCD' \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} 0 + A'DCD' \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} A'DCD' \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} 0 \end{aligned}$$

**(f)  $(a' + c')(a + b' + c')$**

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (a' + c')(a + b' + c') = (a + b' + c')a' + (a + b' + c')c' \\
 & = aa' + b'a' + c'a' + (a + b' + c')c' \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} 0 + b'a' + c'a' + (a + b' + c')c' \\
 & \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} b'a' + c'a' + (a + b' + c')c' = b'a' + c'a' + ac' + b'c' + c'c' \stackrel{\text{Idempotent Law}}{=} \\
 & a'b' + a'c' + ac' + b'c' + c' \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} a'b' + a'c' + c' \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} a'b' + c'
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3: (10 marks) List the truth table of the function: (**

**(a)  $F = xy + xy' + y'z$**

x	y	z	x'	y'	z'	xy	xy'	y'z	F
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1

**(b)  $F = bc + a'c'$**

a	b	c	a'	b'	c'	bc	a'c'	F
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1

**Question 4: (10 marks) Reduce the following Boolean expressions to the indicated number of literals:**

**a)  $A'C' + ABC + AC'$  to three literals**

$$\begin{aligned} A'C' + ABC + AC' &= C'(A' + A) + ABC \quad \text{Complement law} = C'1 + ABC \quad \text{Identity Law} \\ &= C' + ABC \quad \text{Absorption law} = C' + AB \end{aligned}$$

**(b)  $(x'y' + z)' + z + xy + wz$  to three literals**

$$\begin{aligned} (x'y' + z)' + z + xy + wz &\stackrel{\text{DeMorgan's theorem}}{=} (x'' + y'')z' + z + xy + wz \\ &\stackrel{\text{Involution law}}{=} (x + y'')z' + z + xy + wz \stackrel{\text{Involution law}}{=} (x + y)z' + z + xy + wz \\ &\stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} (x + y)z' + z + xy \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} x + y + z + xy \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} x + y + z \end{aligned}$$

**(c)  $A'B(D' + C'D) + B(A + A'CD)$  to one literal**

$$\begin{aligned} A'B(D' + C'D) + B(A + A'CD) &\stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} A'B(D' + C') + B(A + A'CD) \\ &= A'BD' + A'BC' + BA + BA'CD = B(A'D' + A) + A'BC' + BA'CD \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} \\ &B(D' + A) + BA'(CD + C') \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} B(D' + A) + BA'(D + C') \\ &= BD' + B(A'(D + C') + A) \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} \\ BD' + B(D + C' + A) &= BD' + BD + BC' + BA = B(D' + D) + BC' + BA \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} \\ B1 + BC' + BA &\stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} B + BC + BA \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} B + BA \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} B \end{aligned}$$

**(d)  $(A' + C)(A' + C')(A + B + C'D)$  to four literals**

$$\begin{aligned} (A' + C)(A' + C')(A + B + C'D) &= (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)A' + (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)C \\ &(A + B + C'D)A'A' + (A + B + C'D)A'C' + (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)C \stackrel{\text{Idempotent Law}}{=} \\ &(A + B + C'D)A' + (A + B + C'D)A'C' + (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)C \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} \\ (A + B + C'D)A' + (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)C &= A'A + A'B + A'C'D + (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)C \\ &\stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} 0 + A'B + A'C'D + (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)C \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} \\ A'B + A'C'D + (A' + C')(A + B + C'D)C &= A'B + A'C'D + (A + B + C'D)CA' + (A + B + C'D)C'C \\ \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} A'B + A'C'D + (A + B + C'D)CA' + 0 &\stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} A'B + A'C'D + (A + B + C'D)CA' \\ &= A'B + A'C'D + CA'A + CA'B + CA'C'D \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} A'B + A'C'D + 0 + CA'B + CA'C'D \\ \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} A'B + A'C'D + CA'B + CA'C'D &\stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} A'B + A'C'D + CA'B + 0 \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} \\ A'B + A'C'D + CA'B &\stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} A'B + A'C'D \end{aligned}$$

(e)  $ABC'D + A'BD + ABCD$  to two literals

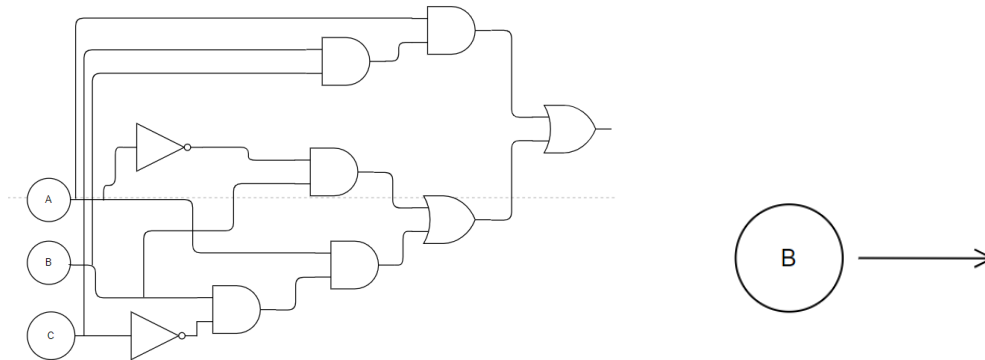
$$\begin{aligned}
 ABC'D + A'BD + ABCD &= BD(AC' + A') + ABCD \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} BD(C' + A') + ABCD \\
 &= BDC' + BDA' + ABCD = BDA' + BD(AC + C') \stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} BDA' + BD(A + C') \\
 &= BDA' + BDA + BDC' = BD(A + A') + BDC' \stackrel{\text{Complement law}}{=} BD1 + BDC' \stackrel{\text{Identity Law}}{=} BD + BDC' \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Absorption law}}{=} BD
 \end{aligned}$$

Logic diagrams are drawn using [Visual Paradigm Online](#)

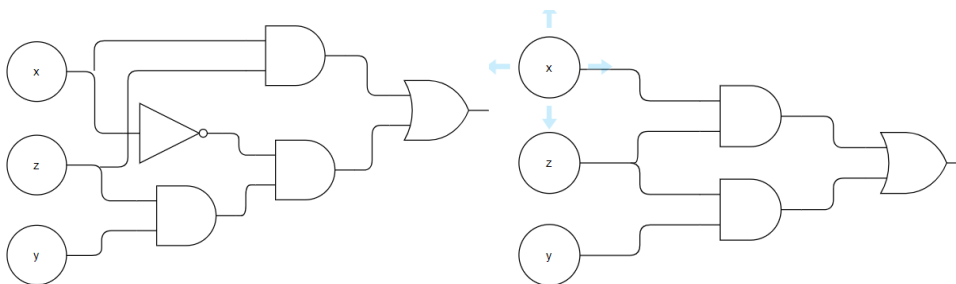
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**Question 5: (10 marks)** Draw logic diagrams of the circuits that implement the original and simplified expressions in Question 2

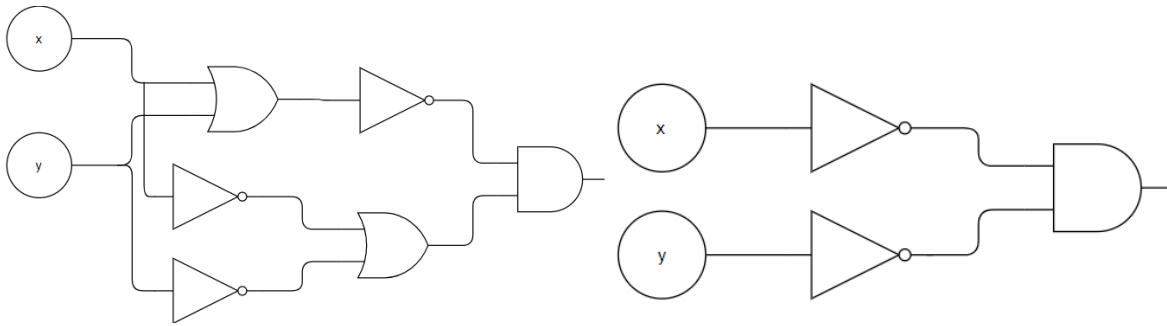
a) Full:  $ABC + A'B + ABC'$  Simplified:  $B$



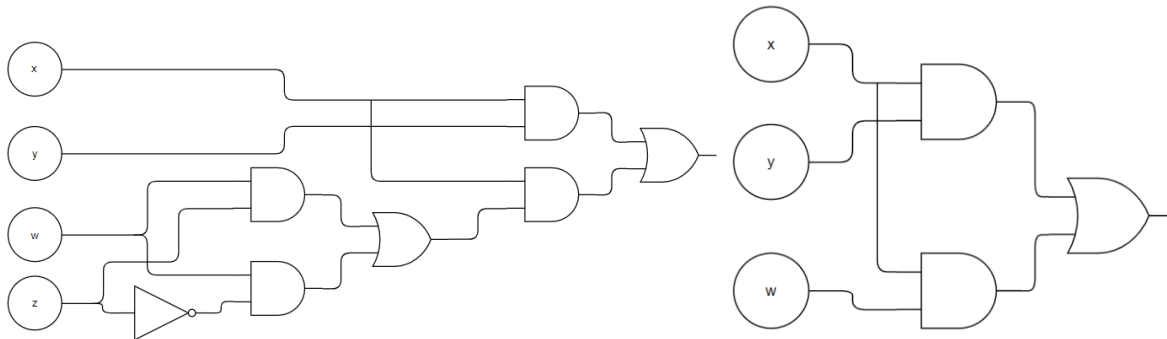
b) Full:  $x'yz + xz$  Simplified:  $zx + zy$



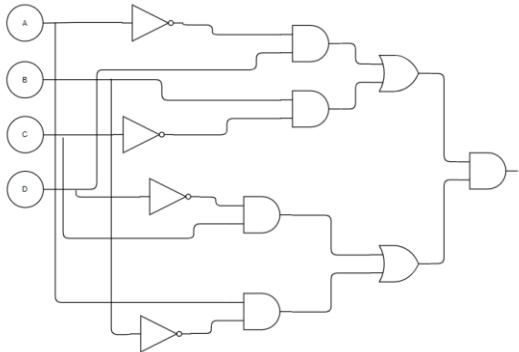
c) Full:  $(x + y)'(x' + y')$  Simplified:  $x'y'$



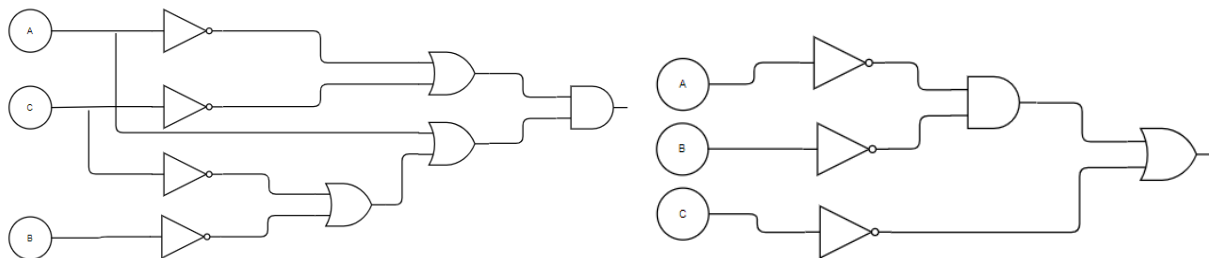
d) Full:  $xy + x(wz + wz')$  Simplified:  $xy + xw$



e) Full:  $(BC' + A'D)(AB' + CD')$  Simplified: 0

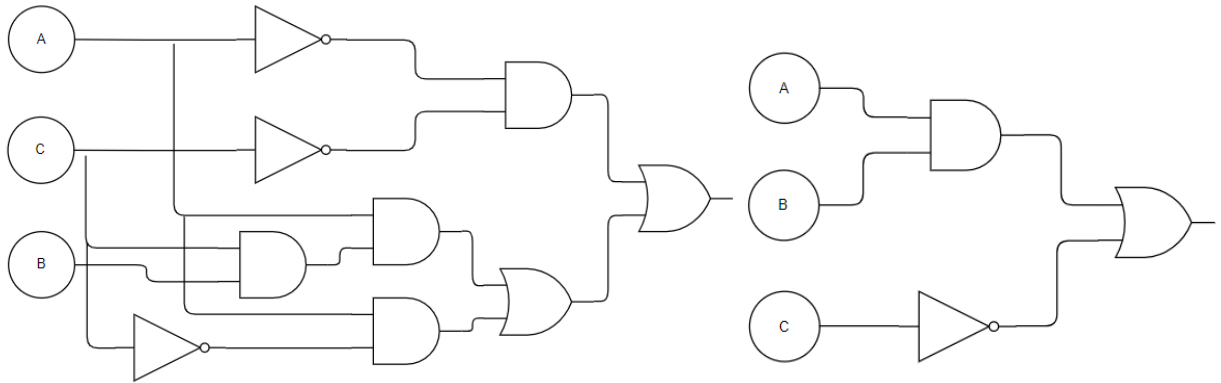


f) Full:  $(a' + c')(a + b' + c')$  Simplified:  $a'b' + c'$

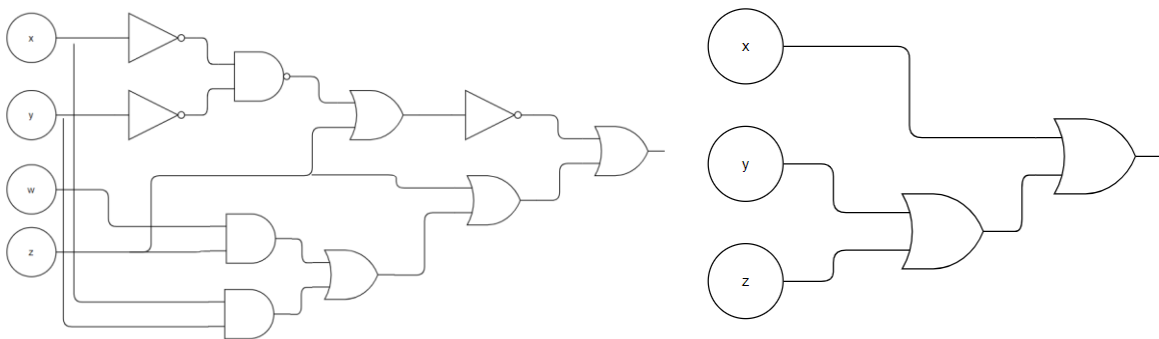


Question 6: (10 marks) Draw logic diagrams of the circuits that implement the original and simplified expressions in Question 4

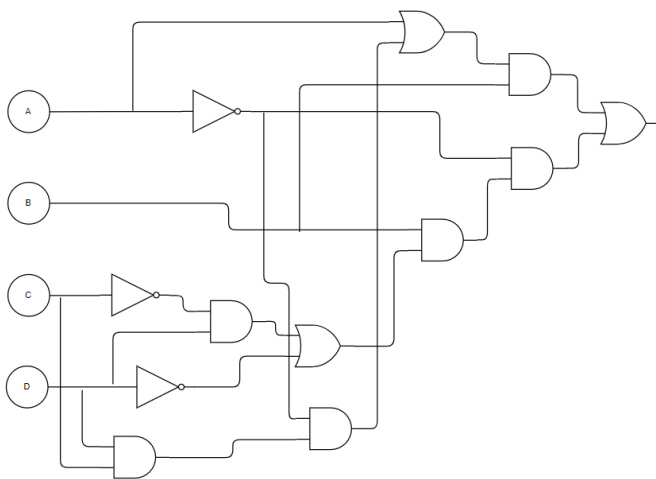
(a) Full  $A'C' + ABC + AC'$  Simplified  $C' + AB$



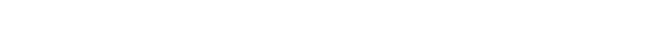
(b) Full  $(x'y' + z)' + z + xy + wz$  Simplified  $x + y + z$



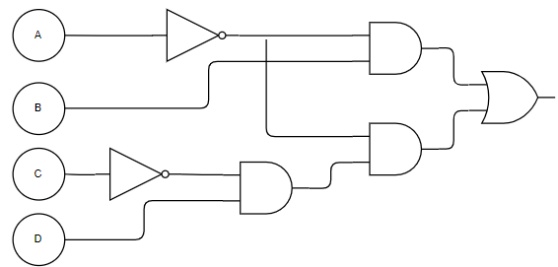
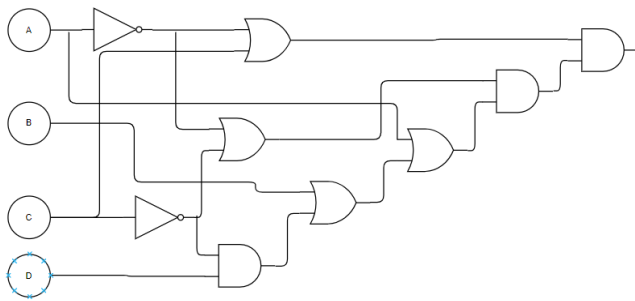
(c) Full  $A'B(D' + C'D) + B(A + A'CD)$  Simplified  $B$



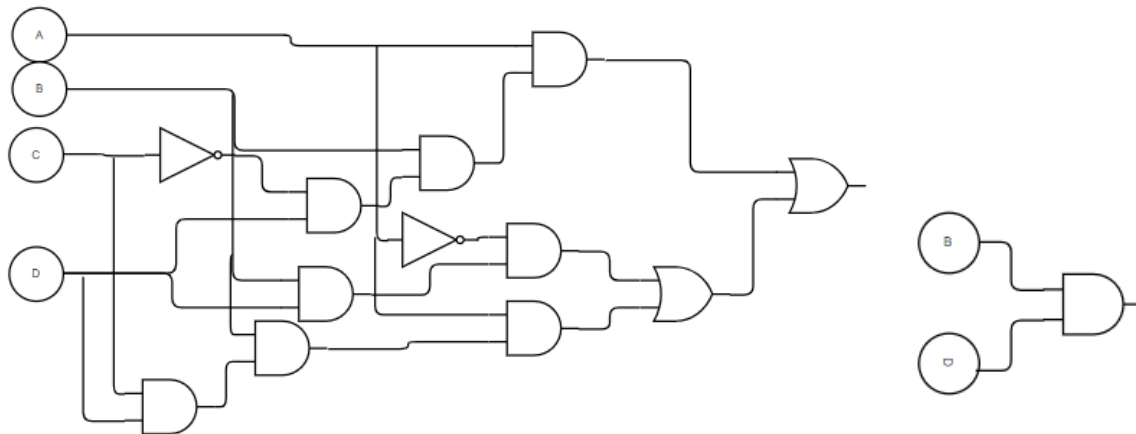
(d) Full  $(A' + C)(A' + C')(A + B + C'D)$  Simplified  $A'B + A'C'D$







(e) Full  $ABC'D + A'BD + ABCD$  Simplified BD



**Question 7: (10 marks) Simplify the following Boolean functions, using three-variable maps:**

(a)  $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(0, 1, 5, 7)$

yz \ x	00	01	11	10
0	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	1	0

$$F(x, y, z) = x'y' + xz$$

(b)  $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(1, 2, 3, 6, 7)$

yz \ x	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1

$$F(x, y, z) = x'z + y$$

(c)  $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma(2, 3, 4, 5)$

x \ yz	00	01	11	10
0	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	0

$$F(x, y, z) = x'y + xy'$$

(d)  $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma (1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7)$

x \ yz	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	1	1
1	0	1	1	1

$$F(x, y, z) = y + z$$

(e)  $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma (0, 2, 4, 6)$

x \ yz	00	01	11	10
0	1	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	1

$$F(x, y, z) = z'$$

(f)  $F(x, y, z) = \Sigma (3, 4, 5, 6, 7)$

x \ yz	00	01	11	10
0	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1

$$F(x, y, z) = x + yz$$

**Question 8: (10 marks) Simplify the following Boolean expressions, using four-variable maps:**

m		A	B	C	D		CD AB	00	01	11	10
0	0000	A'	B'	C'	D'		00	M0	M1	M3	M2
1	0001	A'	B'	C'	D		01	M4	M5	M7	M6
2	0010	A'	B'	C	D'		11	M8	M9	M11	M10
3	0011	A'	B'	C	D		10	M12	M13	M15	M14
4	0100	A'	B	C'	D'						
5	0101	A'	B	C'	D						
6	0110	A'	B	C	D'						
7	0111	A'	B	C	D						
8	1000	A	B'	C'	D'						
9	1001	A	B'	C'	D						
10	1010	A	B'	C	D'						
11	1011	A	B'	C	D						
12	1100	A	B	C'	D'						
13	1101	A	B	C'	D						
14	1110	A	B	C	D'						
15	1111	A	B	C	D						

(a)  $A'B'C'D' + AC'D' + B'CD' + A'BCD + BC'D$

CD \ AB	00	01	11	10
00	1			1
01		1	1	
11	1	1		
10	1			1

$B'D' + A'BD + ABC'$

(b)  $xz + wxy + w(xy + xy) = xz + wxy$

wz \ xy	00	01	11	10
00				
01		1	1	
11		1	1	1
10				

(c)  $ABCD + ABD + ABC + ABCD + ABC$

CD \ AB	00	01	11	10
00				
01				
11		1	1	1
10				

$ABD + ABC$

(d)  $ABCD + BCD + ACD + ABCD + ACD = BCD + ACD$

CD \ AB	00	01	11	10
00				
01			1	
11			1	
10			1	

**Question 9: (10 marks)** Find the minterms of the following Boolean expressions by first plotting each function in a map:

(a)  $xy + yz + xy'z$

$\begin{array}{c} \text{yz} \\ \text{x} \end{array}$	00	01	11	10
0			1	
1		1	1	1

$$F(x, y, z) = \sum (3, 5, 6, 7)$$

(b)  $C'D + ABC' + ABD' + A'B'D$

$\begin{array}{c} \text{CD} \\ \text{AB} \end{array}$	00	01	11	10
00		1	1	
01		1		
11	1	1		1
10		1		

$$F(A, B, C, D) = \sum (1, 3, 5, 9, 12, 13, 14)$$

(c)  $wyz + w'x' + wxz'$

$\begin{array}{c} \text{yz} \\ \text{wx} \end{array}$	00	01	11	10
00	1	1	1	1
01				
11	1		1	1
10			1	

$$F(w, x, y, z) = \sum (0, 1, 2, 3, 11, 12, 14, 15)$$

(c)  $A'B + A'CD + B'CD + BC'D'$

$\begin{array}{c} \text{CD} \\ \text{AB} \end{array}$	00	01	11	10
00			1	
01	1	1	1	1
11	1			
10			1	

$$F(A, B, C, D) = \sum (3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12)$$

### Question 10

Convert the following Boolean function from a sum-of-products form to a simplified product-of-sums form.  $F(w, x, y, z) = \Sigma(0, 1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 13)$

$$F(w, x, y, z) = \sum(0, 1, 2, 5, 8, 10, 13) = \prod(3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15)$$

yz \ wx	00	01	11	10
00			0	
01	0		0	0
11	0		0	0
10		0	0	

$$F' = yz + wx'z + xz'$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= (yz + wx'z + xz')' = (yz)' * (wx'z)' * (xz')' = \\
 &= (y' + z')(w' + x + z')(x'z)
 \end{aligned}$$