

- Q1.** a Write out a truth table for the Boolean function

$$f(a, b, c) = (a \wedge b \wedge \neg c) \vee (a \wedge \neg b \wedge c) \vee (\neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge c),$$

then decide how many

- i input combinations, and
- ii outputs where $f(a, b, c) = 1$

exist in it.

- b Consider the Boolean function

$$f(a, b, c, d) = \neg a \wedge b \wedge \neg c \wedge d.$$

Which of the following assignments

- i $a = 0, b = 0, c = 0$ and $d = 1$,
- ii $a = 0, b = 1, c = 0$ and $d = 1$,
- iii $a = 1, b = 1, c = 1$ and $d = 1$,
- iv $a = 0, b = 0, c = 1$ and $d = 0$.

produces the output $f(a, b, c, d) = 1$?

- c Which of the following Boolean expressions

- i $(a \vee b \vee d) \wedge (\neg c \vee d)$,
- ii $(a \wedge b \wedge d) \vee (\neg c \wedge d)$,
- iii $(a \vee b \vee d) \vee (\neg c \vee d)$.

is in Sum-of-Products (SoP) standard form?

- d Identify **each** equivalence that is correct:

- i $a \vee 1 \equiv a$.
- ii $a \oplus 1 \equiv \neg a$.
- iii $a \wedge 1 \equiv a$.
- iv $\neg(a \wedge b) \equiv \neg a \vee \neg b$.

- e Identify **each** equivalence that is correct:

- i $\neg\neg a \equiv a$.
- ii $\neg(a \wedge b) \equiv \neg a \vee \neg b$.
- iii $\neg a \wedge b \equiv a \wedge \neg b$.
- iv $\neg a \equiv a \oplus a$.

- Q2.** a The OR form of the null axiom is $x \vee 1 \equiv 1$. Which of the following options

- i $x \wedge 1 \equiv 1$,
- ii $x \wedge 0 \equiv 0$,
- iii $x \vee 0 \equiv 0$,
- iv $x \wedge x \equiv x$,

is the dual of this axiom?

- b Given the Boolean equation

$$f = \neg a \wedge \neg b \vee \neg c \vee \neg d \vee \neg e,$$

which of the following

- i $\neg f = a \vee b \vee c \vee d \vee e$,
- ii $\neg f = a \wedge b \wedge c \wedge d \wedge e$,

- iii $\neg f = a \wedge b \wedge (c \vee d \vee e),$
- iv $\neg f = a \wedge b \vee \neg c \vee \neg d \vee \neg e,$
- v $\neg f = (a \vee b) \wedge c \wedge d \wedge e$

is correct?

- c If we write the de Morgan axiom in English, which of the following
- i NOR is equivalent to AND if each input to AND is complemented,
 - ii NAND is equivalent to OR if each input to OR is complemented,
 - iii AND is equivalent to NOR if each input to NOR is complemented, or
 - iv NOR is equivalent to NAND if each input to NAND is complemented.

describes the correct equivalence?

Q3.

- a Identify which **one** of these Boolean expressions

- i $c \vee d \vee e$
- ii $\neg c \wedge \neg d \wedge \neg e$
- iii $\neg a \wedge \neg b$
- iv $\neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge \neg c \wedge \neg d \wedge \neg e$

is the correct result of simplifying

$$(\neg(a \vee b) \wedge \neg(c \vee d \vee e)) \vee \neg(a \vee b).$$

- b If you simplify the Boolean expression

$$(a \vee b \vee c) \wedge \neg(d \vee e) \vee (a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (d \vee e)$$

into a form that contains the fewest operators possible, which of the following options

- i $a \vee b \vee c,$
- ii $\neg a \wedge \neg b \wedge \neg c,$
- iii $d \vee e,$
- iv $\neg d \wedge \neg e,$
- v none of the above

do you end up with and why?

- c If you simplify the Boolean expression

$$a \wedge c \vee c \wedge (\neg a \vee a \wedge b)$$

into a form that contains the fewest operators possible, which of the following options

- i $(b \wedge c) \vee c,$
- ii $c \vee (a \wedge b \wedge c),$
- iii $a \wedge c,$
- iv $a \vee (b \wedge c),$
- v none of the above

do you end up with and why?

- d Consider the Boolean expression

$$a \wedge b \vee a \wedge b \wedge c \vee a \wedge b \wedge c \wedge d \vee a \wedge b \wedge c \wedge d \wedge e \vee a \wedge b \wedge c \wedge d \wedge e \wedge f.$$

Which of the following simplifications

- i $a \wedge b \wedge c \wedge d \wedge e \wedge f,$

- ii $a \wedge b \vee c \wedge d \vee e \wedge f,$
- iii $a \vee b \vee c \vee d \vee e \vee f,$
- iv $a \wedge b,$
- v $c \wedge d,$
- vi $e \wedge f,$
- vii $a \vee b \wedge (c \vee d \wedge (e \vee f))$
- viii $((a \vee b) \wedge c) \vee d \wedge e \vee f$

is correct?

e Given the options

- i 1,
- ii 2,
- iii 3,
- iv 4,

decide which is the least number of operator required to compute the same result as

$$f(a, b, c) = (a \wedge b) \vee a \wedge (a \vee c) \vee b \wedge (a \vee c).$$

Show how you arrived at your decision.

f Prove that

$$(\neg x \wedge y) \vee (\neg y \wedge x) \vee (\neg x \wedge \neg y) \equiv \neg x \vee \neg y.$$

g Prove that

$$(x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge z \wedge (y \vee z)) \equiv y \wedge (x \vee z).$$