



BLG 231E - Digital Circuits

Assignment 3

Solution Key

1.a)

		c,d			
		00	01	11	10
a,b	00	1	1	1	1
	01	1	Φ	0	1
	11	0	1	0	Φ
	10	Φ	0	0	Φ

The set of all prime implicants: $bc'd$, $a'd$, $a'b$, $a'c$, $b'd$, cd

1.b)

Group A1	0	0000	→	Group B1	0,1	000-	→
Group A2	1	0001	→	(A1, A2)	0,2	00-0	→
	2	0010	→		0,4	0-00	→
	4	0100	→	Group B2	0,8	-000	→
	8	1000	→	(A2, A3)	1,3	00-1	→
Group A3	3	0011	→		1,5	0-01	→
	5	0101	→		2,3	001-	→
	6	0110	→		2,6	0-10	→
	10	1010	→		2,10	-010	→
Group A4	13	1101	→		4,5	010-	→
	14	1110	→		4,6	01-0	→
				Group B3	8,10	10-0	→
				(A3, A4)	6,14	-110	→
					5,13	-101	✓
					10,14	1-10	→



Group C1	0,1,2,3	00--	✓
(B1, B2)	0,1,4,5	0-0-	✓
	0,2,4,6	0--0	✓
	0,2,8,10	-0-0	✓
Group C2	2,6,10,14	--10	✓
(B1, B2)			

The set of all prime implicants: $bc'd$, $a'd'$, $a'b'$, $a'c'$, $b'd'$, cd'

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Prime implicant chart:

	0	1	2	3	4	6	13	a,b,c,d	cost
$bc'd$							X	-101	7
$a'b'$	X	X	X	X				00--	6
$a'c'$	X	X			X			0-0-	6
$a'd'$	X		X		X	X		0--0	6
$b'd'$	X		X					-0-0	6
cd'			X			X		--10	5

Selected prime implicants: $a'b'$, $bc'd$

Reduced Prime implicant chart:

	4	6	a,b,c,d	cost
$a'c'$	X		0-0-	6
$a'd'$	X	X	0--0	6
$b'd'$			-0-0	6
cd'		X	--10	5

Selected prime implicant: $a'd'$

Minimal expression for the function with the lowest cost:

$$f(a,b,c,d) = a'b' + a'd' + bc'd$$

Total cost: 19