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UNIT – I

1. Define the term digital.

The term digital refers to any process that is accomplished using discrete units. Any system that processes digital data is called a digital system. Computer is the best example of a digital system.

2. What is a bit and a byte?

A binary digit is called bit. A binary bit can either be 0 or be 1. A byte is a group of 8 bits.

3. List the number systems?

- Decimal Number system or Base 10 system
- Binary Number system or Base 2 system
- Octal Number system or Base 8 system
- Hexadecimal Number system or Base 16 system

4. State the sequence of operator precedence in Boolean expression?

- Paranthesis
- Complement (or) NOT
- AND
- OR

5. What is the abbreviation of ASCII and EBCDIC code?

- ASCII- American Standard Code for Information Interchange.
- EBCDIC- Extended Binary Coded Decimal Information Code.

6. What are the universal gates?

NAND and NOR are called the universal gates because any digital logic circuit can be realized using these two gates.

7. What are the different types of number complements?

- r 's Complement or Radix complement
- $(r-1)$'s Complement or Diminished Radix complement.

8. Why complementing a number representation is needed?

Complementing a number is needed in digital computer for simplifying the subtraction operation and for logical manipulations. Complements are also used to represent the negative value of a binary number.

9. How to represent a positive and negative sign in computers?

- Positive (+) sign is represented by the binary 0
- Negative (-) sign is represented by the binary 1

10. What are error detecting codes? (Nov/Dec 2009)

When transmitting data, an eighth bit known as the 'parity bit' is added to the ASCII code which makes the total number of 1s in the code to be even – even parity or odd-odd parity. In the receiver's end if the data received has the other parity, then an error is said to have occurred.

11. What is meant by Map method?

The map method provides a simple straightforward procedure for minimizing the Boolean functions, thereby make it easier for us to design the digital circuit.

12.What is meant by two variable map?

Two variable map has four minterms for two variables, hence the map consists of four squares, one for each minterm

13.What is meant by three variable map?

Three variable map has 8 minterms for three variables, hence the map consists of 8 squares, one for each minterm

14.What is the use of Don't care conditions?

Any digital circuit using this code operates under the assumption that these unused combinations will never occur. The don't cares can be assumed to take either a logic 0 or logic 1 depending on the need during simplification.

15.Express the function $f(x, y, z)=1$ in the sum of minterms and a product of maxterms?

Minterms= $\Sigma(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7)$

Maxterms=No maxterms.

16.What is the algebraic function of Exclusive-OR gate and Exclusive-NOR gate?

$F=xy' + x'y$ is the algebraic function of the Ex-OR gate

$F=xy + x'y'$ is the algebraic function of the Ex-NOR gate

17.What are the methods adopted to reduce Boolean function?

- Karnaugh map
- Variable entered map technique.
- Tabulation method or Quine McCluskey method

18.Why do we go in for tabulation method?

This method can be applied to problems with many variables and has the advantage of being suitable for machine computation.

19.State the limitations of karnaugh map. (Nov/Dec 2009)

- Generally it is limited to six variable map (i.e.) more than six variable involving expressions are not reduced.
- The map method is restricted in its capability since they are useful for simplifying only Boolean expression represented in standard form.

20.What is tabulation method?

A method involving an exhaustive tabular search method for the minimum expression to solve a boolean equation is called as a tabulation method.

21.What are prime-implicants in the tabulation method?

The terms remained unchecked are called prime-implicants. They cannot be reduced further.

22.Explain or list out the advantages and disadvantages of K-map method?

The advantages of the K-map method are

- It is a fast method for simplifying expression up to four variables.
- It gives a visual method of logic simplification

- Prime implicants and essential prime implicants are identified fast.
- Suitable for both SOP and POS forms of reduction.
- It is more suitable for class room teachings on logic simplification.

The disadvantages of the K-map method are

- It is not suitable for computer reduction for exceed four.
- Care must be taken to fill in every cell with the relevant entry, such as a 0, 1 (or) don't care terms.

29. Represent the decimal numbers -200 and 200 using 2's complement binary form. (April/May 2011)

(i) -200

The binary equivalent of 200 is 11001000

So, -200 is equal to 00111000

(ii) 200

The binary equivalent of 200 is 11001000

30. Write the truth tables of logical AND and XOR gates. (April/May 2011)

Logical AND gate.

A	B	Y
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

Logical XOR gate

A	B	Y
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

31. Reduce the Boolean expression $F = AB + CD'B + A'CD'$ using theorems and identities. (Nov/Dec 2009)

$$F = AB + CD'B + A'CD'$$

$$F = AB + CD'(B + A')$$

32. What is the largest binary number that can be expressed with 12 bits? What is the equivalent decimal and hexadecimal? (Nov/Dec 2008)

- The largest binary number that can be expressed with 12 bits is 111111111111.
- Its equivalent decimal is 4095.
- Its equivalent hexadecimal is FFFF.

33. What are maxterms and minterms? (April/May 2010)

Minterms are obtained from an AND term of the n variables, with each variable being primed if the corresponding bit of the binary number is 0 and unprimed if a 1. The symbol for each minterm is of the form m_j , where j denotes the decimal equivalent of the binary number of the minterm designated.

Maxterms are obtained from an OR term of the n variables, with each variable being unprimed if the corresponding bit of the binary number is 0 and primed if a 1. The symbol for each maxterm is of the form M_j , where j denotes the decimal equivalent of the binary number of the maxterm designated.

34. What is the relationship between maxterm and minterm?

The relationship between maxterm and minterm is that each maxterm is the complement of its corresponding minterm and vice versa.

$$M_j = m'_j$$

35. Convert (A+B) to minterms. (April/May 2010)

The maxterm (A+B) can be represented in minterm as $A'.B'$

36. Find the minterm of $xy+yz+xy'z$ (April/May 2010)

The minterm of $xy+yz+xy'z$ is given by $(x'+y').(y'+z').(x'+y+z')$

37. Simplify $(x+y)(x+y')$ to a minimum number of literals.

$$\begin{aligned} &(x+y)(x+y') \\ &(x.x+x.y'+y.x+y.y') \\ &(0+x.y'+xy+0) \\ &(xy+xy') \end{aligned}$$

UNIT – II

1. Define Positive Logic.

When high voltage or more positive voltage level is associated with binary '1' and while the low or less positive level is associated with binary '0' then the system adhering to this is called positive logic.

2. Define Negative Logic.

When high voltage level is associated with binary '0' and while the low level is associated with binary '1' then the system adhering to this is called negative logic

3. List the characteristics of digital ICs

1. propagation delay
2. power dissipation
3. Fan-in
4. Fan-out
5. Noise margin

4. What is propagation delay?

It is the average transition delay time for the signal to propagate from input to output when the signals change in value.

5. What is Noise margin?

It is the limit of a noise voltage, which may be present without impairing the proper operation of the circuit.

6. What is power dissipation?

It is the power consumed by the gate, which must be available from the power

supply.

7. Why parity checker is needed?

Parity checker is required at the receiver side to check whether the expected parity is equal to the calculated parity or not. If they are not equal then it is found that the received data has error.

8. What is meant by parity bit?

Parity bit is an extra bit included with a binary message to make the number of 1's either odd or even. The message, including the parity bit is transmitted and then checked at the receiving and for errors.

9. Why is parity generator necessary?

Parity generator is essential to generate parity bit in the transmitter.

10. What is an IC?

An integrated circuit is a small silicon semiconductor crystal called a chip containing electrical components such as transistors, diodes, resistors and capacitors. The various components are interconnected inside the chip to form an electronic circuit.

11. What are the needs for binary codes?

- Code is used to represent letters, numbers and punctuation marks.
- Coding is required for maximum efficiency in single transmission.
- Binary codes are the major components in the synthesis (artificial generation) speech and video signals.
- By using error detecting codes, errors generated in signal transmission can be detected.
- Codes are used for data compression by which large amounts of data are transmitted in very short duration of time.

12. Mention the different type of binary codes?

The various types of binary codes are,

- a. BCD code (Binary Coded decimal).
- b. Self-complementing code.
- c. The Excess-3 (X's-3) code.
- d. Gray code.
- e. Binary weighted code.
- f. Alphanumeric code.
- g. The ASCII code.
- h. Error-detecting and error-correcting code.
- i. Hamming code.

13. List the advantages and disadvantages of BCD code?

The advantages of BCD code are

- Any large decimal number can be easily converted into corresponding binary number
- A person needs to remember only the binary equivalents of decimal number from 0 to 9.
- Conversion from BCD into decimal is also very easy.

The disadvantages of BCD code are

- The code is least efficient. It requires several symbols to represent even small numbers.
- Binary addition and subtraction can lead to wrong answer.
- Special codes are required for arithmetic operations.

- This is not a self-complementing code.
- Conversion into other coding schemes requires special methods.

14.What is meant by self-complementing code?

- A self-complementing code is the one in which the members of the number system complement on themselves.
- This requires the following two conditions to be satisfied.
 - The complement of the number should be obtained from that number by replacing 1s with 0s and 0s with 1s.
 - The sum of the number and its complement should be equal to decimal
- Example of a self-complementing code is
 - i. 2-4-2-1 code.
 - ii. Excess-3 code.

15.Mention the advantages of ASCII code?

The following are the advantages of ASCII code

- There are $2^7 = 128$ possible combinations. Hence, a large number of symbols, alphabets etc., can be easily represented.
- There is definite order in which the alphabets, etc., are assigned to each code word.
- The parity bits can be added for error-detection and correction.

16.What are the disadvantages of ASCII code?

The disadvantages of ASCII code are

- The length of the code is larger and hence more bandwidth is required for transmission.
- With more characters and symbols to represent, this is not completely sufficient.

17.What is the truth table?

A truth table lists all possible combinations of inputs and the corresponding outputs.

18.Define figure of merit?

- Figure of merits is defined as the product of speed and power. The speed is specified in terms of propagation delay time expressed in nano seconds.
- Figure of merits = Propagation delay time (ns) * Power (mw). It is specified in pico joules (ns*mw=PJ).

19.What are the two types of logic circuits for digital systems?

Combinational and sequential circuits are the types of logic circuits that can be designed for any digital system.

20.Define Combinational circuit.

A combinational circuit consist of logic gates whose outputs at anytime are determined directly from the present combination of inputs without regard to previous inputs.

21.Define sequential circuits.

A sequential circuit consist of logic gates whose outputs at anytime are determined from the present combination of inputs and the state of memory elements which are nothing but a function of the previous inputs.

22.What is a half-adder?

The combinational circuit that performs the addition of two bits is called a half-adder.

23.What is a full-adder?

The combinational circuit that performs the addition of three bits is called a half-adder.

24.What is half-subtractor?

The combinational circuit that performs the subtraction of two bits is called a half-subtractor.

25.What is a full-subtractor?

The combinational circuit that performs the subtraction of three bits is called a half-subtractor.

26.What is Binary parallel adder?

A binary parallel adder is a digital function that produces the arithmetic sum of two binary numbers in parallel.

27.What is BCD adder?

A BCD adder is a circuit that adds two BCD digits in parallel and produces a sum digit also in BCD.

28.What is Magnitude Comparator?

A Magnitude Comparator is a combinational circuit that compares two numbers, A and B and determines their relative magnitudes.

29.What is decoder? (April/May 2010)

A decoder is a combinational circuit that converts binary information from 'n' input lines to a maximum of 2^n unique output lines.

30.What is encoder?

A decoder is a combinational circuit that converts binary information from 2^n input lines to a maximum of 'n' unique output lines.

31.Define Multiplexing?

Multiplexing means transmitting a large number of information units over a smaller number of channels or lines.

32.What is a Demultiplexer? (April/May 2008)

A Demultiplexer is a circuit that receives information on a single line and transmits this information on one of 2^n possible output lines

33.Give the truth table for a half adder.

Input		Output	
X	Y	Sum (S)	Carry (C)
0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1

34. Give the truth table for a half Subtractor.

Input		Output	
X	Y	Borrow (B)	Difference (D)
0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	1	0	0

35. From the truth table of a half adder derive the logic equation

$$S = X \oplus Y$$

$$C = X \cdot Y$$

36. From the truth table of a half subtractor derive the logic equation

$$D = X \oplus Y$$

$$B = X' \cdot Y$$

37. From the truth table of a full adder derive the logic equation

$$S = X \oplus Y \oplus Z$$

$$C = XY + YZ + XZ$$

38. What is code conversion?

If two systems working with different binary codes are to be synchronized in operation, then we need digital circuit which converts one system of codes to the other. The process of conversion is referred to as code conversion.

39. What is code converter?

It is a circuit that makes the two systems compatible even though each one uses a different binary code. It is a device that converts binary signals from a source code to its output code. One example is a BCD to Xs3 converter.

40. What do you mean by analyzing a combinational circuit?

The reverse process for implementing a Boolean expression is called as analyzing a combinational circuit. (i.e.) the available logic diagram is analyzed step by step and finding the Boolean function

41. Give the applications of Demultiplexer.

It finds its application in Data transmission system with error detection. One simple application is binary to Decimal decoder.

42. Mention the uses of Demultiplexer.

Demultiplexer is used in computers when a same message has to be sent to different receivers. Not only in computers, but any time information from one source can be fed to several places.

43. Give other name for Multiplexer and Demultiplexer.

- Multiplexer is otherwise called as Data selector.
- Demultiplexer is otherwise called as Data distributor.

44.What is the function of the enable input in a Multiplexer?

The function of the enable input in a MUX is to control the operation of the unit.

45.Give the truth table for a full Subtractor.

Input			Output	
X	Y	Z	B (Borrow)	D (Diff)
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1

46.Give the truth table for a full adder.

Input			Output	
X	Y	Z	S (Sum)	C (Carry)
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	0
0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	1

47.From the truth table of a full subtractor derive the logic equation

$$S = X \oplus Y \oplus Z$$

$$C = X'Y + YZ + X'Z$$

48.What is priority encoder? (April/May 2008, Nov/Dec 2010)

A priority encoder is an encoder that includes the priority function. The operation of the priority encoder is such that if two or more inputs are equal to 1 at the same time, the input having the highest priority will take precedence.

49.Can a decoder function as a Demultiplexer?

Yes, a decoder with enable can function as a Demultiplexer if the enable line E is taken as a data input line and A and B are taken as selection lines.

50.List out the applications of multiplexer?

The various applications of multiplexer are

- Data routing.
- Logic function generator.
- Control sequencer.
- Parallel-to-serial converter.

51. List out the applications of decoder?

The applications of decoder are

- a. Decoders are used in counter system.
- b. They are used in analog to digital converter.
- c. Decoder outputs can be used to drive a display system.

52. List out the applications of comparators?

The following are the applications of comparator

- Comparators are used as a part of the address decoding circuitry in computers to select a specific input/output device for the storage of data.
- They are used to actuate circuitry to drive the physical variable towards the reference value.
- They are used in control applications.

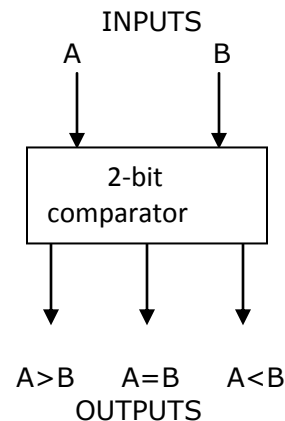
53. What are the applications of seven segment displays?

The seven segment displays are used in

- LED displays
- LCD displays

54. What is digital comparator?

A comparator is a special combinational circuit designed primarily to compare the relative magnitude of two binary numbers.



Block diagram of 2-bit comparator

UNIT III

1. What is sequential circuit?

Sequential circuit is a broad category of digital circuit whose logic states depend on a specified time sequence. A sequential circuit consists of a combinational circuit to which memory elements are connected to form a feedback path.

2. List the classifications of sequential circuit.

- Synchronous sequential circuit.
- Asynchronous sequential circuit.

3. What is Synchronous sequential circuit?

A Synchronous sequential circuit is a system whose behavior can be defined from the knowledge of its signal at discrete instants of time.

4. What is a clocked sequential circuit?

Synchronous sequential circuit that use clock pulses in the inputs of memory elements are called clocked sequential circuit. One advantage as that they don't cause instability problems.

5. What is called latch?

Latch is a simple memory element, which consists of a pair of logic gates with their inputs and outputs inter connected in a feedback arrangement, which permits a single bit to be stored. Latches are level triggered devices.

6. List different types of flip-flops.

- RS flip flop
- Clocked RS flip flop
- T flip flop
- D flip flop
- JK flip flop
- JK Master Slave flip flop

7. What do you mean by triggering of flip-flop?

The state of a flip-flop is switched by a momentary change in the input signal input signal. This momentary change is called a trigger and the transition it causes is said to trigger the flip-flop.

8. What is an excitation table?

During the design process we usually know the transition from present state to next state and wish to find the flip-flop input conditions that will cause the required transition. A table which lists the required inputs for a given change of state is called an excitation table.

9. Give the excitation table of a JK flip-flop. (April/May 2011)

$Q_{(t)}$	$Q_{(t+1)}$	J	K
0	0	0	X
0	1	1	X
1	0	X	1

1	1	X	0
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10. Give the excitation table of a SR flip-flop

$Q_{(t)}$	$Q_{(t+1)}$	S	R
0	0	0	X
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	1	X	0

11. Give the excitation table of a T flip-flop

$Q_{(t)}$	$Q_{(t+1)}$
0	0
0	1
1	1
1	0

12. Give the excitation table of a D flip-flop

$Q_{(t)}$	$Q_{(t+1)}$
0	0
0	0
1	1
1	1

13. What is a characteristic table?

A characteristic table defines the logical property of the flip-flop and completely characterizes its operation.

14. Give the characteristic equation of a SR flip-flop.

$$Q_{(t+1)} = S + R'Q$$

15. Give the characteristic equation of a D flip-flop.

$$Q_{(t+1)} = D$$

16. Give the characteristic equation of a JK flip-flop.

$$Q_{(t+1)} = JQ' + K'Q$$

17. Give the characteristic equation of a T flip-flop. (April/May 2010)

$$Q_{(t+1)} = TQ' + T'Q$$

18. What is the difference between truth table and excitation table.

An excitation table is a table that lists the required inputs for a given change of state. A truth table is a table indicating the output of a logic circuit for various input states.

19. What is counter?

A counter is used to count pulse and give the output in binary form.

20. What is synchronous counter?

In a synchronous counter, the clock pulse is applied simultaneously to all flip-flops. The output of the flip-flops change state at the same instant. The speed of

operation is high compared to an asynchronous counter

21. What is Asynchronous counter?

In an Asynchronous counter, the clock pulse is applied to the first flip-flops. The change of state in the output of this flip-flop serves as a clock pulse to the next flip-flop and so on. Here all the flip-flops do not change state at the same instant and hence speed is less.

23. What is the difference between synchronous and asynchronous counter?

Sl.No.	Synchronous counter	Asynchronous counter
1	The clock pulse is applied simultaneously	The clock pulse is applied to the first flip flop, the change of output is given as clock to next flip flop.
2	The speed of operation is high.	The speed of operation is low.

23. Name the different types of counter.

1. Synchronous counter
2. Asynchronous counter
 - i) Up counter
 - ii) Down counter
 - iii) Modulo – N counter
 - iv) Up/Down counter

24. What is up counter?

A counter that increments the output by one binary number each time a clock pulse is applied.

25. What is down counter?

A counter that decrements the output by one binary number each time a clock pulse is applied.

26. What is up/down counter?

A counter, which is capable of operating as an up counter or down counter, depending on a control lead.

55. What is a ripple counter?

A ripple counter is nothing but an asynchronous counter, in which the output of the flip-flop changes state like a ripple in water.

56. What are the uses of a counter?

- The digital clock
- Auto parking control
 - Parallel to serial data conversion.

57. What is meant by modulus of a counter?

The term modulus of a counter represents the number of states through which a counter can progress.

58. What is meant by natural count of a counter?

The term natural count of a counter corresponds to the maximum number of states

through which a counter can progress.

59.What is a modulo counter? (Nov/Dec 2010)

A counter that counts from 0 to T is called as modulo counter.

60.Form the truth table for 3-bit binary down counter.

CLK	Q ₂	Q ₁	Q ₀
1	1	1	1
1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	0	0
1	0	1	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	0	0
1	1	1	1

61.What is a ring counter?

A counter formed by circulating a 'bit' in a shift register whose serial output has been connected to its serial input.

62.What is BCD counter?

A BCD counter counts in binary coded decimal from 0000 to 1001 and back to 0000. Because of the return to 0000 after a count of 1001, a BCD counter does not have a regular pattern as in a straight binary counter.

63.What are the uses of a ring counter?

- Control section of a digital system.
- Controlling events, which occur in strict time sequence.

64.What is a register?

Memory elements capable of storing one binary word. It consists of a group of flip-flops, which store the binary information.

65.What is Johnson counter?

It is a ring counter in which the inverted output is fed into the input. It is also known as a twisted ring counter.

66.What is a shift register?

In digital circuits, data are needed to be moved into a register (shift in) or moved out of a register (shift out). A group of flip-flops having either or both of these facilities is called a shift register.

67.What is serial shifting?

In a shift register, if the data is moved 1 bit at a time in a serial fashion, then the technique is called serial shifting.

68.What is parallel shifting?

In a shift register all the data are moved simultaneously and then the technique is called parallel shifting.

69.Write the uses of a shift register. (Nov/Dec 2010)

- Temporary data storage

- Bit manipulations.

70.What is a cycle counter?

A cycle counter is a counter that outputs a stated number of counts and then stops.

71.Define state of sequential circuit?

The binary information stored in the memory elements at any given time defines the "state" of sequential circuits.

72.Define state diagram.

A graphical representation of a state table is called a state diagram.

73.What is the use of state diagram?

- Behavior of a state machine can be analyzed rapidly.
- It can be used to design a machine from a set of specification.

74.What is state table?

A table, which consists of time sequence of inputs, outputs and flip-flop states, is called state table. Generally it consists of three section present state, next state and output.

75.What is a state equation?

A state equation also called, as an application equation is an algebraic expression that specifies the condition for a flip-flop state transition. The left side of the equation denotes the next state of the flip-flop and the right side; a Boolean function specifies the present state.

76.What is meant by race around condition? (April/May 2010)

In JK flip-flop output is fed back to the input, and therefore changes in the output results change in the input. Due to this in the positive half of the clock pulse if J and K are both high then output toggles continuously. This condition is known as race around condition.

UNIT IV

1. What is flow table?

During the design of synchronous sequential circuits, it is more convenient to name the states by letter symbols without making specific reference to their binary values. Such table is called Flow table.

2. What is primitive flow table?

A flow table is called Primitive flow table because it has only one stable state in each row.

3. Define race condition. (April/May 2010)

A race condition is said to exist in a synchronous sequential circuit when two or more binary state variables change, the race is called non-critical race.

4. Define critical & non-critical race with example. (Nov/Dec 2010)

The final stable state that the circuit reaches does not depend on the order in which the state variables change, the race is called non-critical race. The final stable state that the circuit reaches depends on the order in which the state variables change, the race is called critical race.

5. How can a race be avoided?

Races can be avoided by directing the circuit through intermediate unstable states with a unique state variable change.

6. Define cycle and merging?

When a circuit goes through a unique sequence of unstable states, it is said to have a cycle. The grouping of stable states from separate rows into one common row is called merging.

7. Give state – reduction procedure.

The state – reduction procedure for completely specified state tables is based on the algorithm that two states in a state table can be combined into one if they can be shown to be equivalent.

8. Define hazards.

Hazards are unwanted switching transients that may appear at the output of a circuit because different paths exhibit different propagation delays.

9. Does Hazard occur in sequential circuit? If so what is the problem caused?

Yes, Hazards occur in sequential circuit that is Asynchronous sequential circuit. It may result in a transition to a wrong state.

10. Give the procedural steps for determining the compatibles used for the purpose of merging a flow table.

The purpose that must be applied in order to find a suitable group of compatibles for the purpose of merging a flow table can be divided into 3 procedural steps.

- Determine all compatible pairs by using the implication table.
- Find the maximal compatibles using a Merger diagram
- Find a minimal collection of compatibles that covers all the states and is closed.

11. What are the types of hazards? (Nov/Dec 2010)

The 3 types of hazards are

- Static – 0 hazards
- Static – 1 hazard
- Dynamic hazards

12. What is mealy and Moore circuit?

Mealy circuit is a network where the output is a function of both present state and input.

Moore circuit is a network where the output is function of only present state.

13. Differentiate Moore circuit and Mealy circuit? (Nov/Dec 2008 and Nov/Dec 2010)

Moore circuit

- It is output is a function of present state only.
- Input changes do not affect the output.
- Moore circuit requires more number of states for implementing same function.

Mealy circuit

- It is output is a function of present state as well as the present input.
- Input changes may affect the output of the circuit.
- It requires less numbers of states for implementing same function.

14. How can the hazards in combinational circuit be removed?

Hazards in the combinational circuits can be removed by covering any two min terms that may produce a hazard with a product term common to both. The removal of hazards requires the addition of redundant gates to the circuit.

16. How does an essential hazard occur?

An essential hazard occurs due to unequal delays along two or more paths that originate from the same input. An excessive delay through an inverter circuit in comparison to the delay associated with the feedback path causes essential hazard.

17. What is Timing diagram?

Timing diagrams are frequently used in the analysis of sequential network. These diagrams show various signals in the network as a function of time.

18. What is setup and hold time?

- The definite time in which the input must be maintained at a constant value prior to the application of the pulse is setup time
- The definite time is which the input must not change after the application of the positive or negative going transition of the pulse based on the triggering of the pulse.

19. Define bit time and word time.

- The time interval between clock pulses is called bit time.
- The time required to shift the entire contents of a shift register is called word time.

20. What is bi-directional shift register and unidirectional shift register?

- A register capable of shifting both right and left is called bi-directional shift

register.

- A register capable of shifting only one direction is called unidirectional shift register.

21. Define equivalent state.

If a state machine is started from either of two states and identical output sequences are generated from every possible set of sequences, then the two states are said to be equivalent.

22. A shift register can be operated in all possible ways then it is called as-----

Universal register: It can be operated in all possible modes with bi-directional shift facility.

23. What is gate delay?

If the change in output is delayed by a time with respect to the input. We say that the gate has a propagation delay. Normally propagation delay for 0 to 1 output may be different than the delay for 1 to 0 changes.

24. Define state reduction algorithm.

State reduction algorithm is stated as "Two states are said to be equivalent if, for each member of the set of inputs they give the same output and send the circuit either to the same state or to an equivalent state. When two states are equivalent, one of them can be removed without altering the input-output relation.

25. What is meant by level triggering?

In level triggering the output of the flip-flop changes state or responds only when the clock pulse is present.

25. Write the uses of a shift register.

- Temporary data storage.
- Bit manipulations.

26. What is meant by flow table?

During the design of asynchronous sequential circuits, it is more convenient to name the states by letter symbols without making specific reference to their binary values. Such a table is called a flow table.

27. What are the problems involved in asynchronous circuits?

The asynchronous sequential circuits have three problems namely,

- Cycles
- Races
- Hazards

28. Define cycles?

If an input change includes a feedback transition through more than unstable state then such a situation is called a cycle.

24. Define primitive flow table?

A primitive flow table is a flow table with only one stable total state in each row. Remember that a total state consists of the internal state combined with the input.

25. Define merging?

The primitive flow table has only one stable state in each row. The table can be

reduced to a smaller numbers of rows if two or more stable states are placed in the same row of the flow table. The grouping of stable states from separate rows into one common row is called merging.

UNIT V

77.List the types of ROM.

- i. Programmable ROM (PROM)
- ii. Erasable ROM (EPROM)
- iii. Electrically Erasable ROM (EEROM)

78.Differentiate ROM & PLD's

ROM (Read Only Memory)

- It is a device that includes both the decoder and the OR gates within a single IC package.
- ROM does not full decoding of the variables and does generate all the minterms.

PLD's (Programmable Logic Array)

- It is a device that includes both AND and OR gates within a single IC package.
- PLD's does not provide full decoding of the variable and does not generate all the minterms.

79.What are the different types of RAM?

The different types of RAM are

- NMOS RAM (Nitride Metal Oxide Semiconductor RAM)
- CMOS RAM (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor RAM)
- Schottky TTL RAM
- ELL RAM.

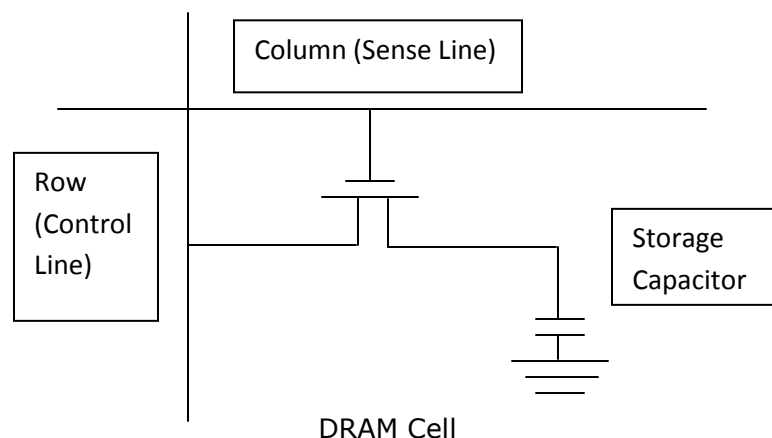
80.What are the types of arrays in RAM?

RAM has two type of array namely,

- Linear array
- Coincident array

81.Explain DRAM?

The dynamic RAM (DRAM) is an operating mod, which stores the binary information in the form of electric charges on capacitors. The capacitors are provided inside the chip by MOS transistors.



Stored charges on the capacitors tend to discharge with time and the capacitors must be tending to discharge with time and the capacitors must be periodically recharged by refreshing the dynamic memory.

DRAM offers reduced power consumption and larger storage capacity in a single memory chip.

82.Explain SRAM?

- Static RAM (SRAM) consists of internal latches that store the binary information. The stored information remains valid as long as the power is applied to the unit.
- SRAM is easier to use and has shorter read and write cycle. The memory capacity of a static RAM varies from 64 bit to 1 mega bit.

83.Differentiate volatile and non-volatile memory?

Volatile memory

They are memory units which lose stored information when power is turned off.
Eg. SRAM and DRAM

Non-volatile memory

It retains stored information when power is turned off. Eg. Magnetic disc and ROM

84.What are the terms that determine the size of a PAL?

The size of a PLA is specified by the

- Number of inputs
- Number of products terms
- Number of outputs

85.What are the advantages of RAM?

The advantages of RAM are

- Non-destructive read out
- Fast operating speed
- Low power dissipation
- Compatibility
- Economy

86.What is VHDL? (April/May 2010)

- VHDL is a hardware description language that can be used to model a digital system at many level of abstraction, ranging from the algorithmic level to the gate level.
- The VHDL language as a combination of the following language.
 - Sequential language
 - Concurrent language
 - Net-list language
 - Timing specification
 - Waveform generation language.

87.What are the features of VHDL?

The features of VHDL are

- VHDL has powerful constructs.
- VHDL supports design library.
- The language is not case sensitive.

88.What is meant by memory decoding?

The memory IC used in a digital system is selected or enabled only for the range of addresses assigned to it.

89.What are access and cycle times?

The access time of the memory is the time to select word and read it. The cycle time of a memory is a time required to complete a write operation.

PART – B

UNIT I

- 1 (i). Express the Boolean function $F = A + B'C$ in sum of minterms
(ii) Express the Boolean function $F = xy + x'z$ in product of maxterms.
2. Simplify the Boolean function $F(A,B,C,D) = \Sigma(0,6,8,13,14)$ Together with the don't care condition $d = \Sigma(2,4,10)$ and then express the simplified function in sum of minterms.
3. Implement the Boolean function $F(X,Y,Z) = (1,2,3,4,5,7)$ with NAND gates
4. Simplify the Boolean function $F(A,B,C,D) = \Sigma(0,2,3,5,7,8,9,10,11,13,15)$ and find the prime implicants and essential prime implicants

UNIT II

1. Design a full adder with inputs x, y, z and two outputs S and C . The circuit performs $x + y + z$, z is the input carry, C is the output carry and S is the Sum.
2. Design a BCD adder.
3. Design a logic circuit that accepts a 4-bit Grey code and converts it into 4-bit binary code
5. Write short notes on: BCD adder, Binary multiplier and Magnitude Comparator
6. Explain in detail the Hardware Description Languages

UNIT-III

1. Draw the circuit for 3-to-8-decoder and implement the functions
 $F1(A,B,C) = \Sigma(0,1,3,7)$
 $F2(A,B,C) = \Sigma(2,3,7)$ using 3-to-8-decoder
2. Draw the circuits for Decimal to BCD encoder, Octal-to-Binary encoder & Priority encoder
3. Implement the following boolean function using 8:1 multiplier
4. Implement full subtractor using demultiplexer
5. Implement the following Boolean function with a PLA
 $F1(A,B,C) = m(0,1,2,4)$

$$F2(A,B,C) = m(0,5,6,7)$$

UNIT IV

1. Draw the state diagram and characteristic equations of T,D and JK flip flop
2. Write short notes on state reduction and state assignment in seq.ckt. design State reduction
3. Discuss in detail shift registers
4. Discuss about synchronous counters
5. Write the procedure for analyzing a clocked sequential circuit with JK flip flop

UNIT -V

1. Explain the procedure for analyzing an asynchronous sequential circuit with SR latches with example
2. Explain the procedure for designing an asynchronous sequential circuit with an example Obtain a primitive flow table from the given design specifications
3. Discuss in detail the procedure for reducing the flow table with an example
4. Write short notes on race-free state assignment
5. Explain in detail Hazards