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Important Boolean Algebra Laws

Identity law

- $A + 0 = A$
- $A \cdot 1 = A$

Zero and One laws

- $A + 1 = 1$
- $A \cdot 0 = 0$

Associative laws

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

Distributive laws

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

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

DeMorgan's laws

- $(A \cdot B)' = A' + B'$
- $(A + B)' = A' \cdot B'$

Inverse laws

- $A + A' = 1$
- $A \cdot A' = 0$

Commutative laws

- $A + B = B + A$
- $A \cdot B = B \cdot A$

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Remember to show ALL work here and in EVERY problem on this exam.

Q1. Do the following conversions (Note: The numbers in this problem are **unsigned** numbers. There is **no sign bit**. Your answer should also be unsigned numbers as well.).

a) $1110.11_2 = 14.75_{10}$

b) $14.625_{10} = 1110.101_2$

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Q2. Do the following conversions between decimal number and **8-bit signed** integer in the **2's complement** format. (**Note:** The binary numbers in this problem are **signed** 8-bit integers. When doing decimal-to-binary conversion, give your binary number answer in the same format. When doing binary-to-decimal conversion, indicate the sign of your decimal number answer.).

a) $-9_{10} = 11110111_2$

b) $10000000_2 = -128_{10}$

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Q3. Perform following binary calculation. Each number is an **8-bit signed integer** with 2's complement representation. **Give your answer in 8-bit 2's complement format and clearly state whether an overflow happens or not.** (Note: (1) your answer MUST BE 8-bit number. Deduction will be given for 9-bit or other representation. (2) If there is no overflow, you need to clearly state that an overflow does not happen)

a) $11101100_2 + 11000011_2$

Solution

10101111_2 , no overflow

b) $01001111_2 - 10110001_2$

Solution

10011110_2 , overflow

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Q4.

(a)

Use algebraic manipulation to convert the following Function $F_3 = (a + b)'c' + a(b' + c)' + a(b + d)'c$ to sum-of-products (SOP) form.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} F_3 &= (a+b)'c' + a(b'+c)' + a(b+d)'c \\ &= a' \cdot b' \cdot c' + a \cdot b \cdot c' + a b' \cdot d' \cdot c \quad \dots \text{DeMorgan's Law} \\ \underline{F_3} &= \underline{a'b'c' + abc' + ab'cd'} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

i. A fire sprinkler system should spray water if high heat is sensed and the system is set to enabled.

- **Solution:** Let Boolean variable h represent “high heat is sensed,” e represent “enabled,” and F represent “spraying water.” Then an equation is: $F = h \text{ AND } e$.

ii. A car alarm should sound if the alarm is enabled, and either the car is shaken or the door is opened.

- **Solution:** Let a represent “alarm is enabled,” s represent “car is shaken,” d represent “door is opened,” and F represent “alarm sounds.” Then an equation is: $F = a \text{ AND } (s \text{ OR } d)$.
- **Alternatively,** assuming that our door sensor d represents “door is closed” instead of open (meaning $d=1$ when the door is closed, 0 when open), we obtain the following equation: $F = a \text{ AND } (s \text{ OR NOT}(d))$.

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- Q5.** (Computer Performance Assessment) Two compilers are used to compile the same benchmark program with the same instruction set architecture (ISA) for the same computer (clock rate=1GHz). There are three classes of instructions in this ISA, and each of them takes different numbers of clock cycles to finish. Class A instruction takes 2 clock cycles to finish, Class B instruction takes 3 clock cycles to finish, and Class C instruction takes 4 clock cycles to finish. The numbers of instructions generated by compiler 1 and compiler 2 are listed below.

	# of Inst. Generated by Compiler 1	# of Inst. Generated by Compiler 2
Class A (CPI = 2)	5 Millions	1 Millions
Class B (CPI = 3)	2 Millions	2 Millions
Class C (CPI = 4)	1 Millions	2 Millions

The following equation might be helpful:

$$\frac{\text{seconds}}{\text{program}} = \frac{\text{Instructions}}{\text{program}} \times \frac{\text{cycles}}{\text{Instructions}} \times \frac{\text{seconds}}{\text{cycle}}$$

$$= \text{Instruction Count} \times \text{CPI} \times \text{Clock Cycle Time}$$

Which compiler makes faster machine code (You must write down your calculation)?

Solution

Clock period= 10^{-9} second

Compiler 1 execution time

$$(5 \times 2 + 2 \times 3 + 1 \times 4) \times 10^6 \times 10^{-9} = 0.02 \text{ sec}$$

Compiler 2

$$(1 \times 2 + 2 \times 3 + 2 \times 4) \times 10^6 \times 10^{-9} = 0.016 \text{ sec}$$

Compiler 2 is faster

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