



## **ECE 245: Microcontroller Applications with IoT – Fall 2022: Midterm Exam**

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**Deliverable:** All your responses to the assignment questions should be included in a single compressed file to be uploaded in the Gannon University (GU) – Blackboard Learn environment.

**Question 1-A.** Determine the types of digital circuits and explain their similarities and differences.

**Question 1-B.** Provide the truth table and the circuit for:  $F = (A'.C + B'.D).(B.C + A.E) + B'.D'.E$

**Question 1-C.** Provide the truth table, the circuit, and the Boolean function for a four-to-one multiplexer.

**Question 1-D.** Explain the differences between latches and flip-flops, specify their types, and draw the circuit for a flip-flop along with its truth table.

**Question 2-A.** Specify the definition of CMOS and explain its types.

**Question 2-B.** Show the transistor-level schematic of an inverter and two-input AND gate with the specifying the names of transistors and their terminals. Mention the parameters that affect the operation of a CMOS transistor.

**Question 2-C.** Comprehensively explain why and how to improve the strength of a digital signal.

**Question 2-D.** Explain the meaning of “X” and “Z” in logical states.

**Question 3-A.** Provide the meanings of “RAM”, “ROM”, “EPROM”, “ADC”, “DAC”, “I/O”, “DRAM”, “SRAM”, “ISA”, “GPIO”, “UART”, “SSI”, “USB”, “JTAG”, “I2C”, “CAN”, “PWM”, and “NVIC”.

**Question 3-B.** Specify the differences between microprocessors and microcontrollers.

**Question 3-C.** Specify the differences between memory-mapping and IO-mapping.

**Question 3-D.** Provide the definitions of CISC and RISC, and explain their similarities and differences.