

## The Open University of Sri Lanka Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Final Examination 2005/2006 ECD2211 — Switching Systems

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## Answer any FIVE questions

1.

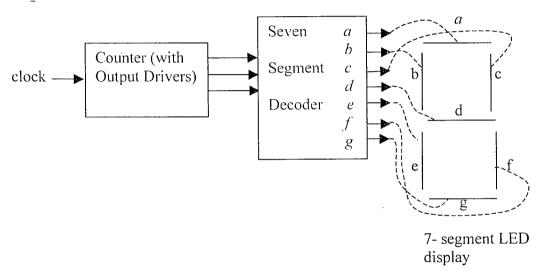


Fig.1

Fig.1 shows a circuit consisting of a binary counter, a decoder and a 7-segment LED display. The counter output is fed to *a binary to seven-segment decoder* circuit which decodes the binary number into corresponding 7-segments. The outputs *a*, *b*, *c*, *d*, *e*, *f* and *g* of the 7-segment decoder are connected to the corresponding segments of the 7-sement display.

- (a) What is the maximum possible count of the counter?
- (b) Design a hinary to seven segment decoder circuit.

**2**. Simplify the following functions using Quine McClusky method.

- (a)  $f(x) = \sum m(0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)$
- (b)  $f(x) = \sum m(6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15)$
- (c)  $f(x) = \sum m(0, 5, 10, 15)$

**3**.

- (a) What is understood by Consensus of two terms minterms  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ ?
- (b) Simplify the following functions using *Iterative Concensus method*.
  - (i)  $f(x) = \sum m(0, 2, 8, 10)$
  - (ii)  $f(x) = \sum m(0, 1, 4, 5)$
  - (iii)  $f(x) = \sum m(2, 8, 13)$
- (c) Compare the advantages and disadvantages of using Karnaugh map over Quine Mc Clusky method.

4.

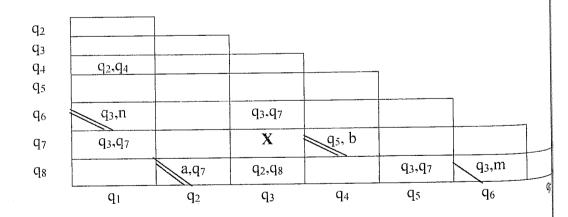


Fig 4

An Implication table is shown in Fig.4.

- (a) Find the values of a, b, m and n
- (b) Determine maximal compatibles.

5.

- (a) Describe the construction of a 2-input Threshold gate circuit which uses only passive components. Give the circuit diagram of it.
- (b) Implement using minimum number of Threshold logic gates:
  - (i)  $f(x) = \Sigma m (4, 5, 7, 13)$
  - (ii)  $f(x) = \sum m (2, 6, 14, 15)$
  - (iii)  $f(x) = \sum m (6, 7, 13, 14, 15)$

6.

- (a) What are the factors that affect the highest operating frequency of a logic gate?
- (b) What value should the *row mulpliciy / column mulplicity* of a Partition map of f(x) take so that the Partition map can be converted into a reduced Partition map?
- (c) Check whether the following functions are totally symmetric:
  - (i)  $f(x) = \sum m(0, 1, 2, 4, 8, 15)$
  - (ii)  $f(x) = \sum m(1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 15)$

7.

(a) What is understood by 2-distinguishable state?

(b)

Next State (Y <sub>1</sub> , Y <sub>2</sub> ) for Input (x)	
X = 0	x = 1
00	11
11	00
10	11
11	00
	x = 0 00 11 10

Fig.7

Fig. 7 shows a state transition table for a certain state machine.

Design the state machine using RS flip-flops.

8. A continuous binary serial bit stream is fed to *a data logger*. The data logger searches for *four* consecutive '1's in the bit stream. If it detects *four* consecutive '1's then the device gives out an alarm.

- (i) Draw a state diagram for the above process. How many states are there in the state machine?
- (ii) How do you assign binary numbers to different states? What criterion should be adopted when assigning numbers to adjacent states?
- (iii) Draw a state transition table for the state machine.