

SAMPLE PROBLEM SOLUTIONS – EXAM 2, FALL 2008

Question 1 (10 points):

Answer the following questions regarding decoders

- a) Fill out the truth table for a 1-to-2 line decoder with input I and enable signal En (asserted high) and outputs F_0, F_1 . (3 points)

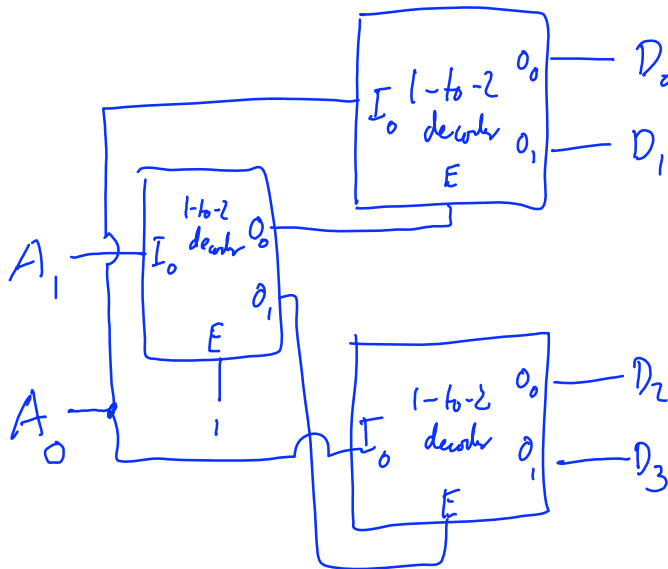
EN	I	F_0	F_1
0	x	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1

- b) Draw the circuit (gate-level) diagram for this decoder. (2 points)

It's OK to switch F_0 with F_1 in the table above and in the equation.

$$F_0 = EN I'; \quad F_1 = En I$$

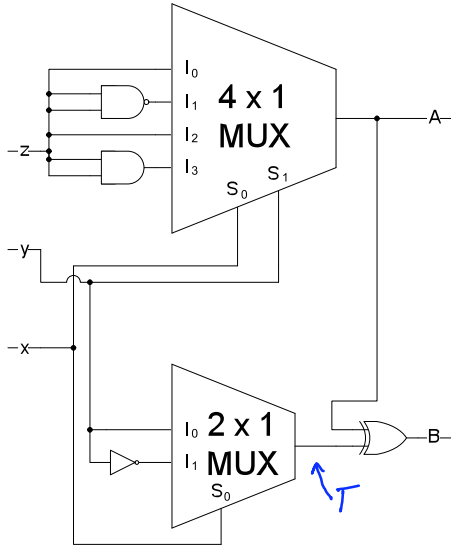
- c) Using multiple 1-to-2-line decoders from part (a) design a 2-to-4-line decoder (with no enable) with inputs A_0, A_1 and outputs D_0, D_1, D_2, D_3 . Show the block diagram only, with no internal circuit diagram of the decoders. (5 points)



Question 2 (15 points):

Analyze the following combinational logic circuit.

- a) Determine the outputs functions A and B as sums of minterms. You may use any process to determine the result, but show your work. (10 points)

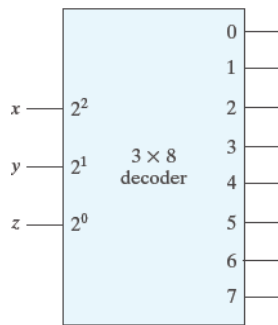


x	y	z	A	T	B
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0	1
1	1	1	0	0	0

$$A(x,y,z) = \Sigma (1, 2, 5, 6)$$

$$B(x,y,z) = \Sigma (1, 3, 4, 6)$$

- b) Implement the same circuit using a decoder circuit and external logic gates. Show the block-level diagram of your design (5 points)



Connect the 3-to-8 line decoder's outputs (1,2,5,6) to an OR for A, and outputs (1,3,4,6) to an OR for B.

Question 3 (15 points):

Design a combinational circuit with three binary inputs: H, S, I and three binary outputs: x, y, z . Each input represents an item that a person may order at a fast food place:

- H stands for hot dog, cost = \$3
- S stands for soda, cost = \$1
- I stands for ice cream, cost = \$2

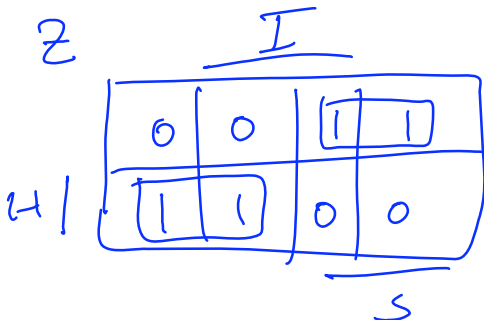
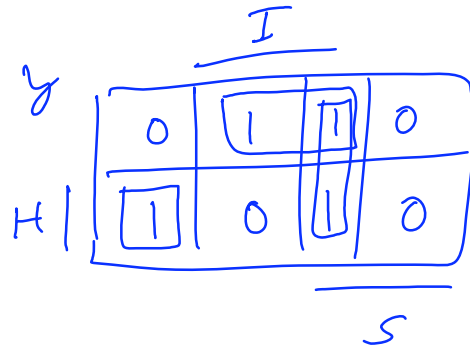
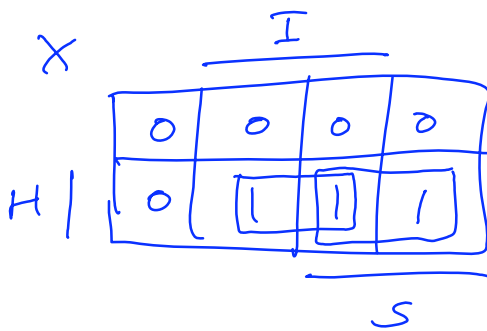
Each input can only be 0 or 1, which means that a customer can order each item only once (or none at all, for $H=0, S=0, I=0$).

The outputs x, y, z represent a 3-bit encoding $(xyz)_2$ of the total cost of the order. For example, for $H=1, S=0, I=0$ (which evaluates to \$3), the output should be $x=0, y=1, z=1$.

a) Show the truth table for this combinational circuit. (10 points)

H	S	I	x	y	z	$cost$
0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0
0	0	1	0	1	0	\$2
0	1	0	0	0	1	\$1
0	1	1	0	1	1	\$3
1	0	0	0	1	1	\$3
1	0	1	1	0	1	\$5
1	1	0	1	0	0	\$4
1	1	1	1	1	0	\$6

b) Determine the minimized functions x, y, z in a sum of products form. (5 points)



$$x(H,S,I) = HI + HS$$

$$y(H,S,I) = H'I + SI + HST'$$

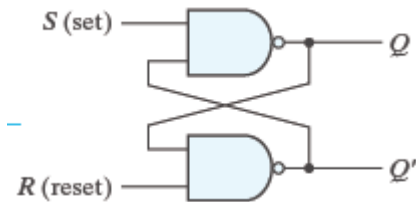
$$z(H,S,I) = H'S + HS'$$

Question 4 (10 points):

Answer the following questions regarding latches.

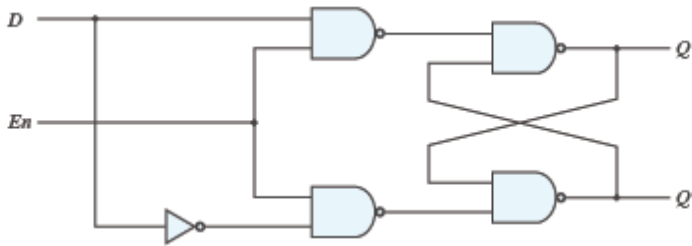
- a) Draw the circuit of a NAND-based SR latch.

Fill in the function table below that shows the value of the outputs for different combinations of inputs S and R. (5 points)



R	S	Q	Q'
1	1	Q^{-1}	Q'^{-1}
0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1

- b) Draw the circuit of a D-latch using the SR latch designed in problem (a) (5 points).
(Hint: provide the D and EN inputs, properly wiring them to the S, R inputs)



EN	D	Q
0	X	Q^{-1}
1	0	0
1	1	1