

**Problem 1** (10 points)

Reduce the following expression using Boolean algebra postulates and theorems. The simplified expression should have the minimum number of gates. Show the intermediate steps.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(a, b, c, d) &= \overline{acd}(\bar{a} + \bar{b} + \bar{d})(\overline{ad + c}) + \bar{a}\bar{b}(\bar{a} + \bar{b}c + \bar{b}\bar{c}) \\
 &= acd + \overline{\bar{a} + \bar{b} + \bar{d}} + \overline{\overline{ad + c}} + (\bar{a} + \bar{b})(\bar{a} + \bar{b}c + \bar{b}\bar{c}) \\
 &= acd + abd + ad\bar{c} + \bar{a} + \bar{a}\bar{b}c + \bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c} + \bar{a}\bar{b} + b\bar{b}c + b\bar{b}\bar{c} \\
 &= a(cd + bd + \bar{c}d) + \bar{a}(1 + \bar{b}c + \bar{b}\bar{c} + b) + 0 + 0 \\
 &= a(d(\bar{c} + c + b)) + \bar{a} \\
 &= a(d) + \bar{a} \\
 &= \boxed{\bar{a} + ad}
 \end{aligned}$$

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**Problem 2** (15 points)

Consider the following function

$$f(a, b, c, d) = \Sigma m(1, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15).$$

- (a) (8 points) Use K-maps to minimize **both** the sum of products and products of sums forms. Write the Boolean expressions.
- (b) (7 points) Implement the function using the minimal number of gates. You can use either NOR gates or NAND gates with maximum number of four inputs per gate.

(a) Sum of Products:

		c		
		0	1	0
		0	0	1
a		0	1	1
		0	1	1
				d
				b

$$f(a, b, c, d) = ad + bcd + \bar{a}\bar{b}c\bar{d}$$

Product of Sums:

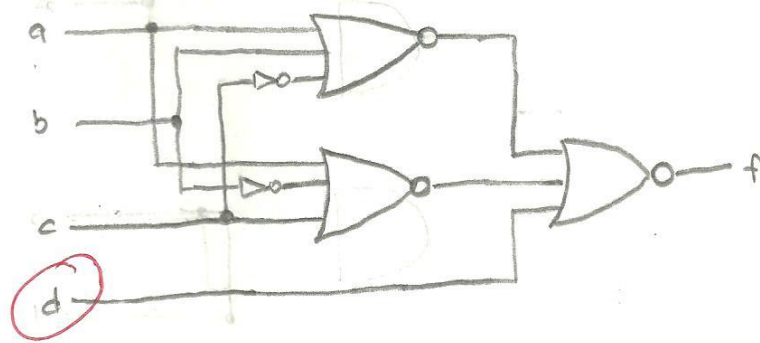
		c		
		0	1	0
		0	0	1
a		0	1	1
		0	1	1
				d
				b

$$f(a, b, c, d) = (a+b+\bar{c})(a+\bar{b}+c)$$

(b) See next page

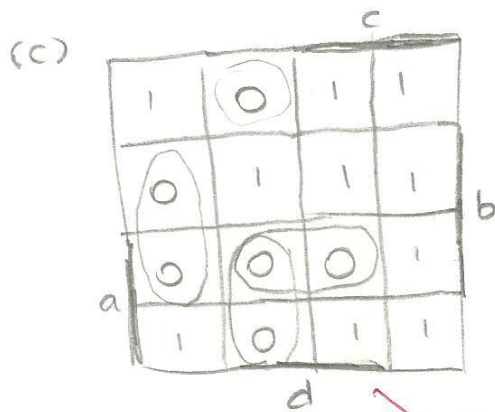
### NOR Gate Implementation

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$$\boxed{(a+b+c+d)(\bar{b}+c+d)(\bar{a}+\bar{b}+\bar{d})(\bar{a}+c+\bar{d})}$$

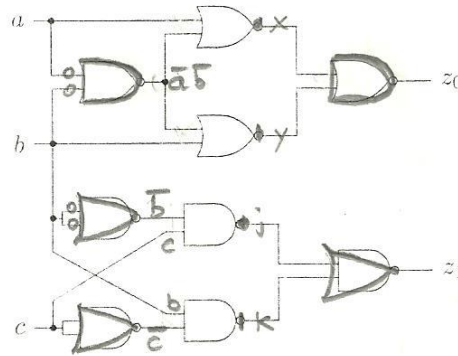
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(d) Yes, there is a unique minimum sum of products.

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10 Problem 4 (10 points)

Analyze the NAND-NOR network shown in the figure below. Obtain switching expressions for the outputs  $z_0$  and  $z_1$ .



$$x = a + \bar{a}\bar{b} = a + \bar{b}$$

$$y = b + \bar{a}\bar{b} = \bar{a} + b$$

$$z_0 = (a + \bar{b})(\bar{a} + b)$$

$$a\bar{a} + \bar{a}\bar{b} + \bar{b}b + ab$$

$$= \bar{a}\bar{b} + ab$$

$$j = \bar{b}c$$

$$k = b\bar{c}$$

$$z_1 = \bar{b}c + b\bar{c}$$

$$z_0 = \bar{a}\bar{b} + ab$$

$$z_1 = \bar{b}c + b\bar{c}$$



**Problem 5** (15 points)

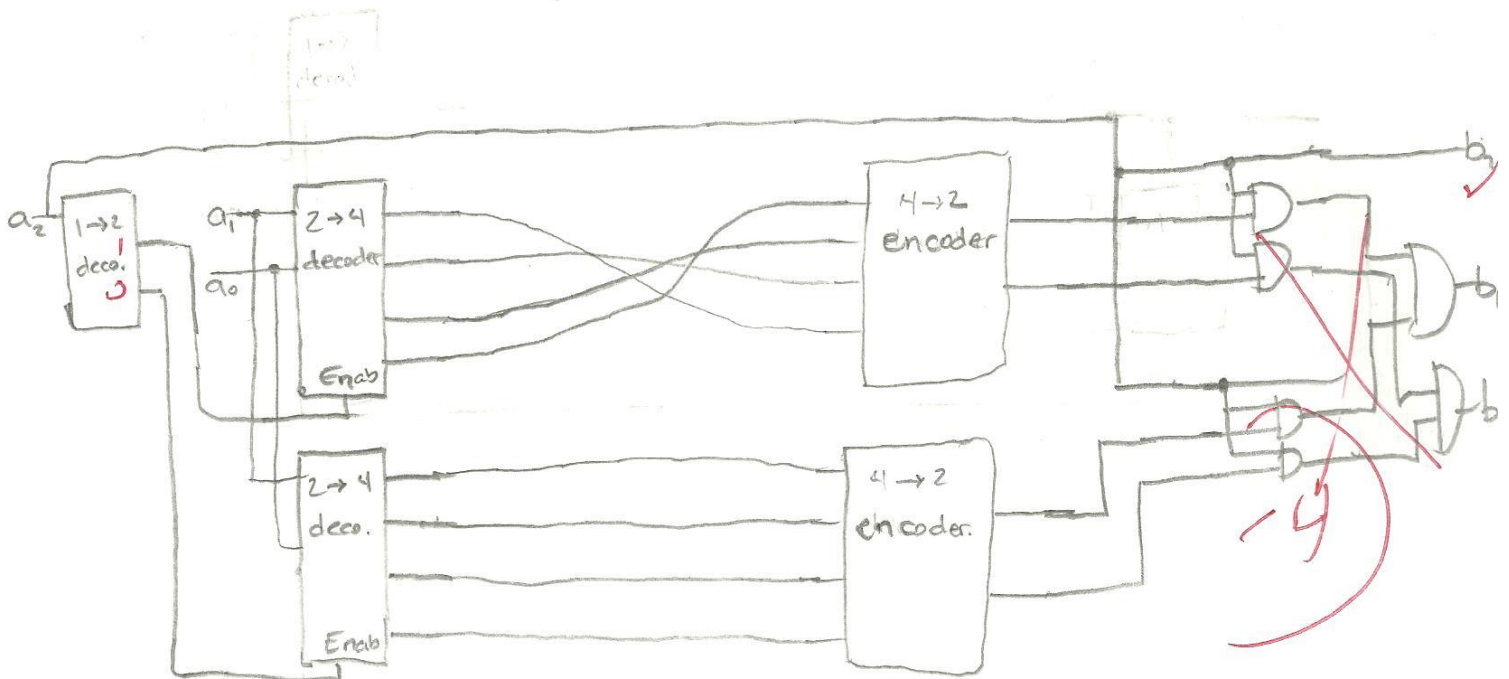
Design a combinational circuit that converts a 3-bit sign-and-magnitude number,  $a$ , into a 3-bit one's complement number,  $b$ . You are allowed to use any combination of the following blocks:



- Decoders: 1 → 2 and 2 → 4 decoders
- Encoders: 2 → 1 and 4 → 2 encoders
- Logic gates: Use either OR gates or AND gates, **but not both**

Every block or wire must be clearly labeled.

	$a$	$b$
Decimal	Sign-Magnitude	One's Complement
-3	111	100
-2	110	101
-1	101	110
-0	100	111
0	000	000
1	001	001
2	010	010
3	011	011



**Problem 6** (15 points)

Compute  $z = (a - b) + (c - d)$  in 2's complement.

- (a) (4 points) Fill up the table given below.
- (b) (2 points) How many bits should  $z$  have to represent the correct result?
- (c) (9 points) Perform calculations on bit-vectors representing  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$  (all in 2's complement) and show every step of your work.  $z$  should be given in **both** decimal representation and 2's complement. **If you want**, you can extend the table below.

(a)

	Decimal	Sign-Magnitude	2's Complement
$a$	-13	1 1101	10011
$b$	-10	1 1010	10110
$c$	-6	1 110	1010
$d$	82	0 1010010	01010010

(b) 8 bits are needed

(c)  $z = (a - b) + (c - d)$   
 $= a + -b + c + -d$

$-b = 01010$

$-d = 10101110$

$a + -b =$   
 $10011$   
 $+ 01010$   


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 $11101$

$c + -d =$   
 $11111010$   
 $+ 10101110$   


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 $110101000$

$a - b$   
 $+ c - d$

$1111101$   
 $+ 10101000$   


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 $110100101$

$10100101$

Decimal:

$-13 - (-10) = -3$

$-6 - 82 = -88$

$-3 + -88 = -91$

$-91$       $91$       $\overset{\text{sign}}{=} 01011011$

$\frac{64}{27}$   
 $\frac{16}{11}$   
 $\frac{8}{3}$

$-91$   
 $= 10100100 + 1$   
 $= 10100101$



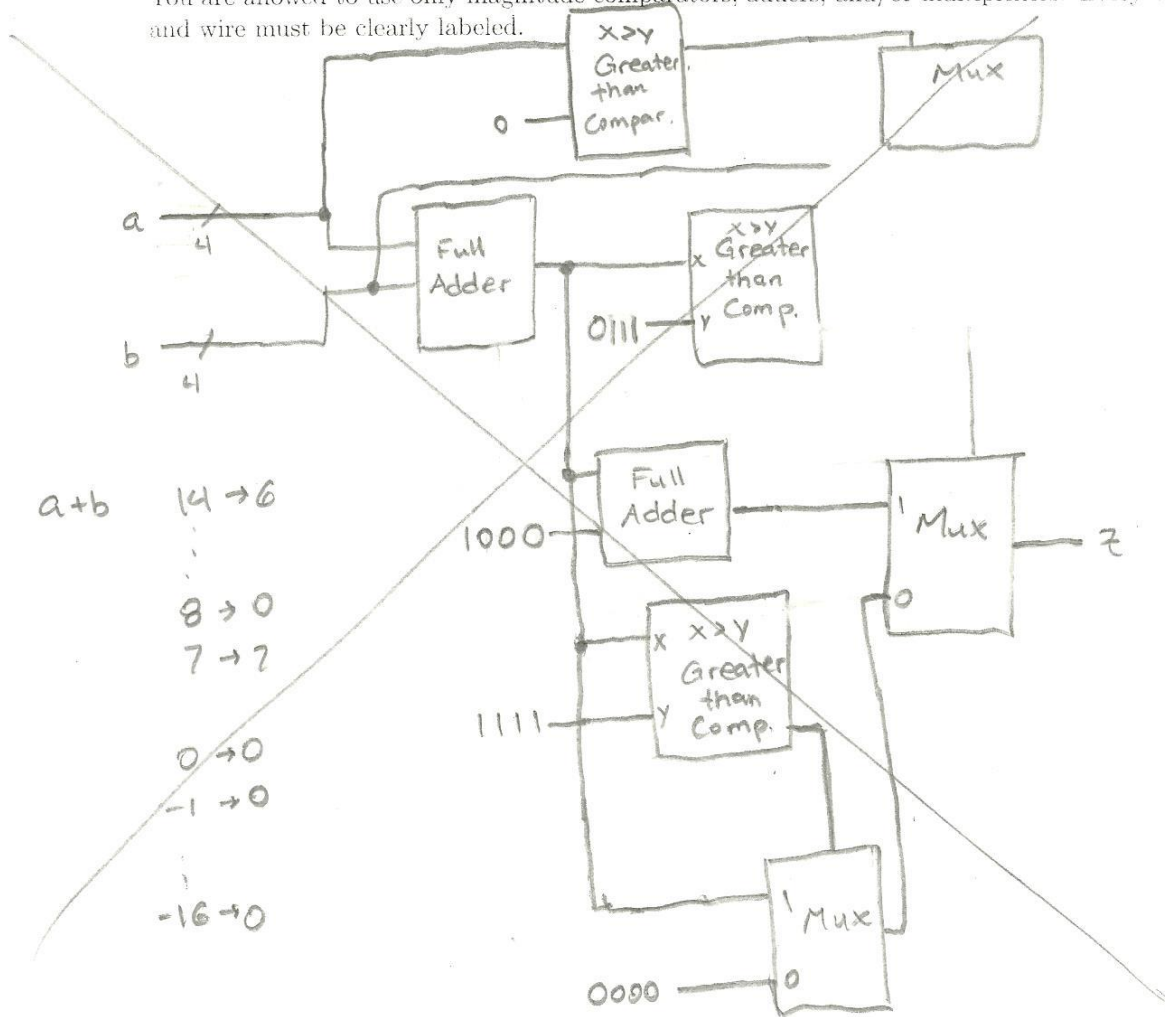
**Problem 7** (15 points)

Design a combinational network that has 4-bit inputs  $a$  and  $b$ , and a four-bit output  $z$ . All inputs and outputs are given in two's complement representation. The function of the system is

$$z = \max\{a + b, 0\} \pmod 8$$

For example, if  $a = 3$  and  $b = 7$ , then  $z = 2$ . If  $a = 3$  and  $b = -7$ , then  $z = 0$ .

You are allowed to use only magnitude comparators, adders, and/or multiplexers. Every block and wire must be clearly labeled.



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