

**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.

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

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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:

		<i>c</i>			
	<i>a</i>	0 <sub>0</sub>	1 <sub>1</sub>	0 <sub>3</sub>	0 <sub>2</sub>
<i>b</i>	0 <sub>4</sub>	0 <sub>5</sub>	1 <sub>6</sub>	0 <sub>7</sub>	0 <sub>6</sub>
	0 <sub>12</sub>	1 <sub>13</sub>	1 <sub>14</sub>	0 <sub>15</sub>	0 <sub>14</sub>
	0 <sub>8</sub>	1 <sub>9</sub>	1 <sub>10</sub>	0 <sub>11</sub>	0 <sub>10</sub>

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

Product of Sums:

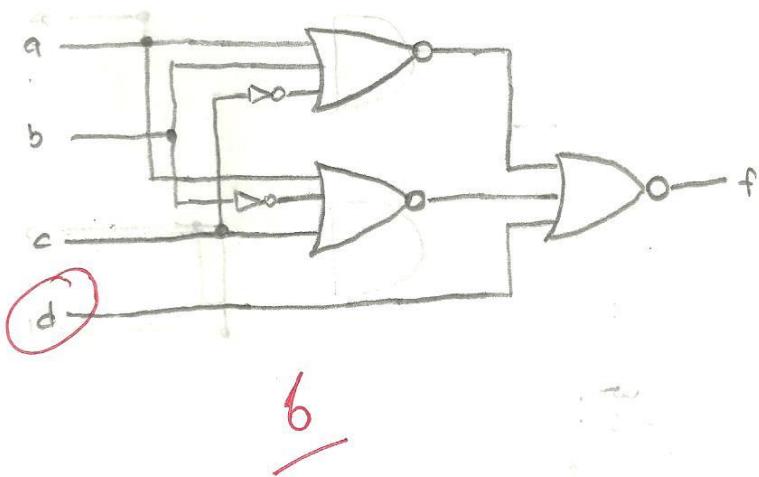
		<i>c</i>			
	<i>a</i>	0 <sub>0</sub>	1 <sub>1</sub>	0 <sub>3</sub>	0 <sub>2</sub>
<i>b</i>	0 <sub>4</sub>	0 <sub>5</sub>	1 <sub>6</sub>	0 <sub>7</sub>	0 <sub>6</sub>
	0 <sub>12</sub>	0 <sub>13</sub>	1 <sub>14</sub>	0 <sub>15</sub>	0 <sub>14</sub>
	0 <sub>8</sub>	0 <sub>9</sub>	1 <sub>10</sub>	0 <sub>11</sub>	0 <sub>10</sub>

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

(b) See next page

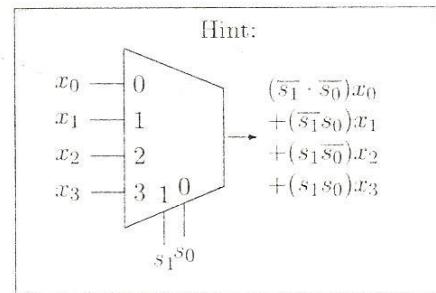
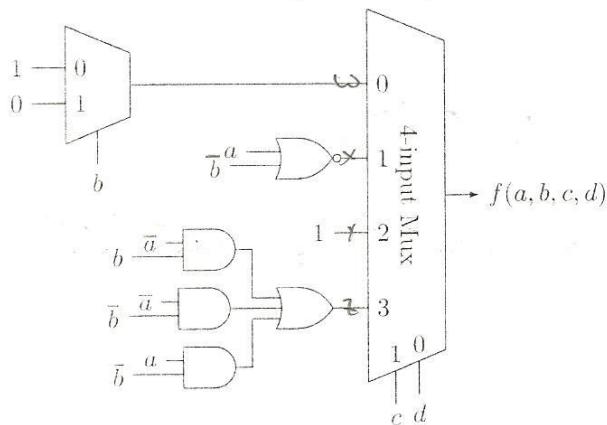
(b)

NOR Gate Implementation

**4.5 Problem 3 (20 points)**

Consider the following function shown below.

- (3 points) Write the switching expression for the multiplexer circuit below. The multiplexers have binary select inputs. The expression need not be simplified.
- (3 points) Determine the prime implicants and the essential prime implicants for this expression.
- (8 points) Find the minimal sum-of-product for the switching expression  $f$ .
- (6 points) Does this function have a unique minimal sum-of-products? If not, list any other minimal sum-of-products expressions.



(a)  $(\bar{c}\bar{d})w + (\bar{c}d)x + (c\bar{d})y + cdz$

$$\begin{aligned} w &= \bar{b} & x &= \overline{a+b} = \bar{a}b & y &= 1, z = \bar{a}b + \bar{a}\bar{b} + a\bar{b} = \bar{a}(b+\bar{b}) + a\bar{b} \\ & & & & &= \bar{a} + a\bar{b} \\ & & & & &= \bar{a} + \bar{b} \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\boxed{\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d} + \bar{a}b\bar{c}d + c\bar{d} + \cancel{cd} + \cancel{b}cd}$$

(b)

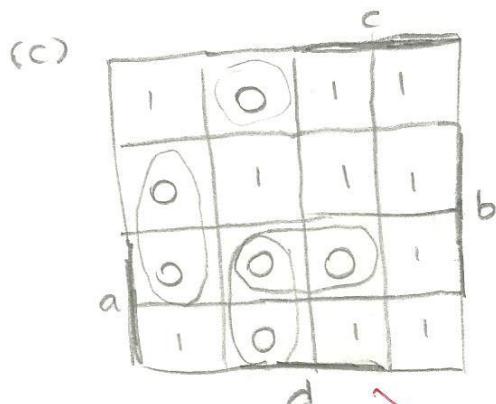
		c		
	a		b	
a	1	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1
0	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1

Prime Implicants:

$\bar{c}\bar{d}$ ,  $\bar{a}c$ ,  $\bar{b}\bar{d}$ ,  $\bar{a}bd$ ,  ~~$\bar{a}bc$~~

Essential PIs:

$\bar{c}\bar{d}$ ,  ~~$\bar{a}c$~~ ,  ~~$\bar{b}\bar{d}$~~ ,  ~~$\bar{a}bd$~~ ,  ~~$\bar{a}bc$~~



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

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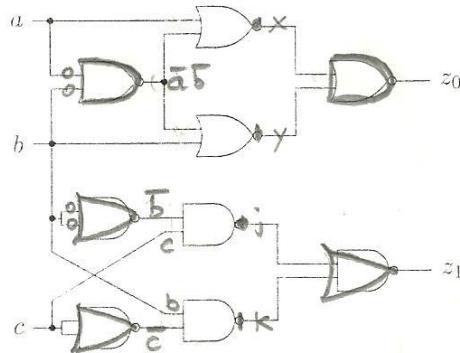
(d) Yes, there is a unique minimum sum of products.

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## Problem 4 (10 points)

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

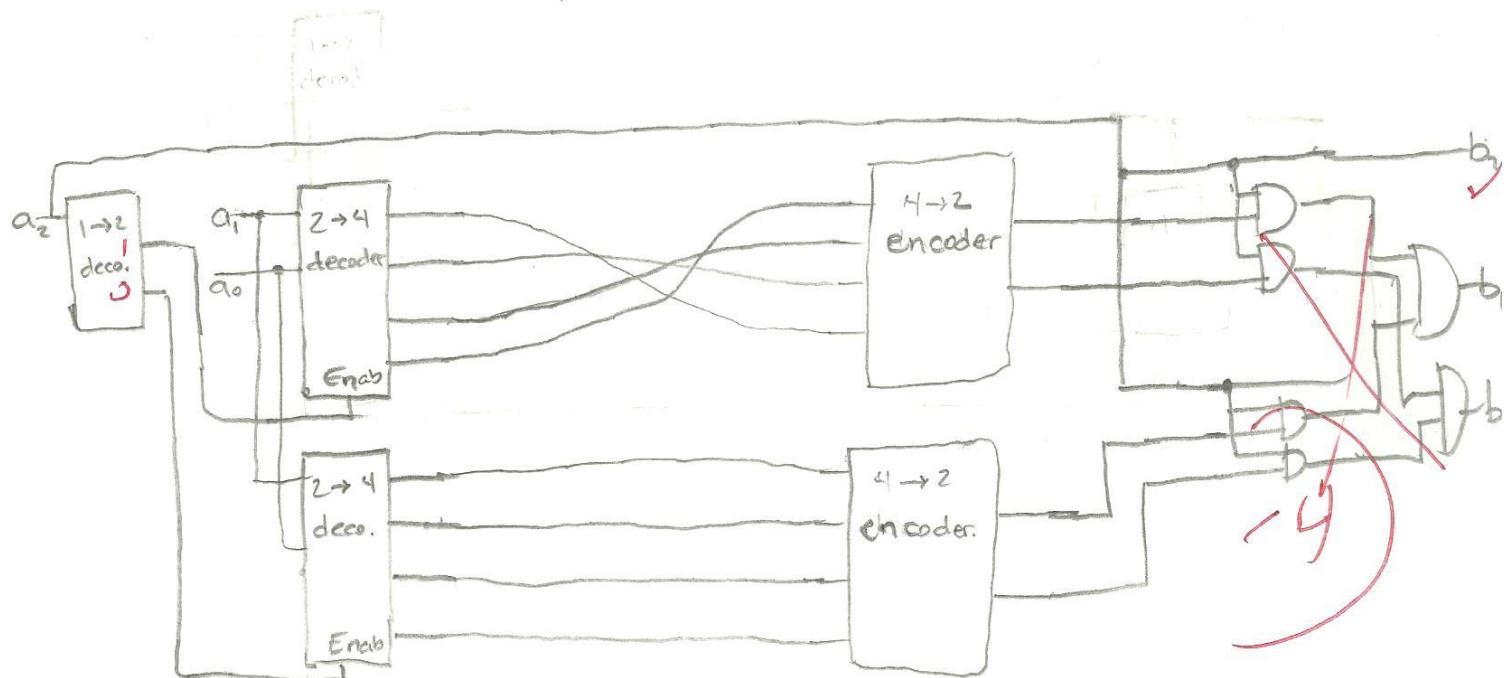
**Problem 5** (15 points)

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

Every block or wire must be clearly labeled.

Decimal	$a$ Sign-Magnitude	$b$ 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 10100 10	✓ 01010010

(b) 8 bits are needed

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

$$= a + -b + c + -d$$

$$a + -b = 10011$$

$$\begin{array}{r} + 01010 \\ \hline 11101 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} a-b \\ + c-d \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11111101 \\ + 10101000 \\ \hline 110100101 \end{array}$$

$$10100101$$

✓

$$-b = 01010$$

$$-d = 10101110$$

$$c + -d =$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 11111010 \\ + 10101110 \\ \hline 110101000 \end{array}$$

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Decimal:

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

$$-6 - 82 = -88$$

$$-3 + -88 = -91$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -91 \\ 91 \\ \hline 64 \\ 27 \\ 16 \\ 11 \\ 8 \\ 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{sign} \\ = 01011011 \end{array}$$

$$-91$$

$$\begin{array}{r} = 10100100 + 1 \\ = 10100101 \end{array}$$

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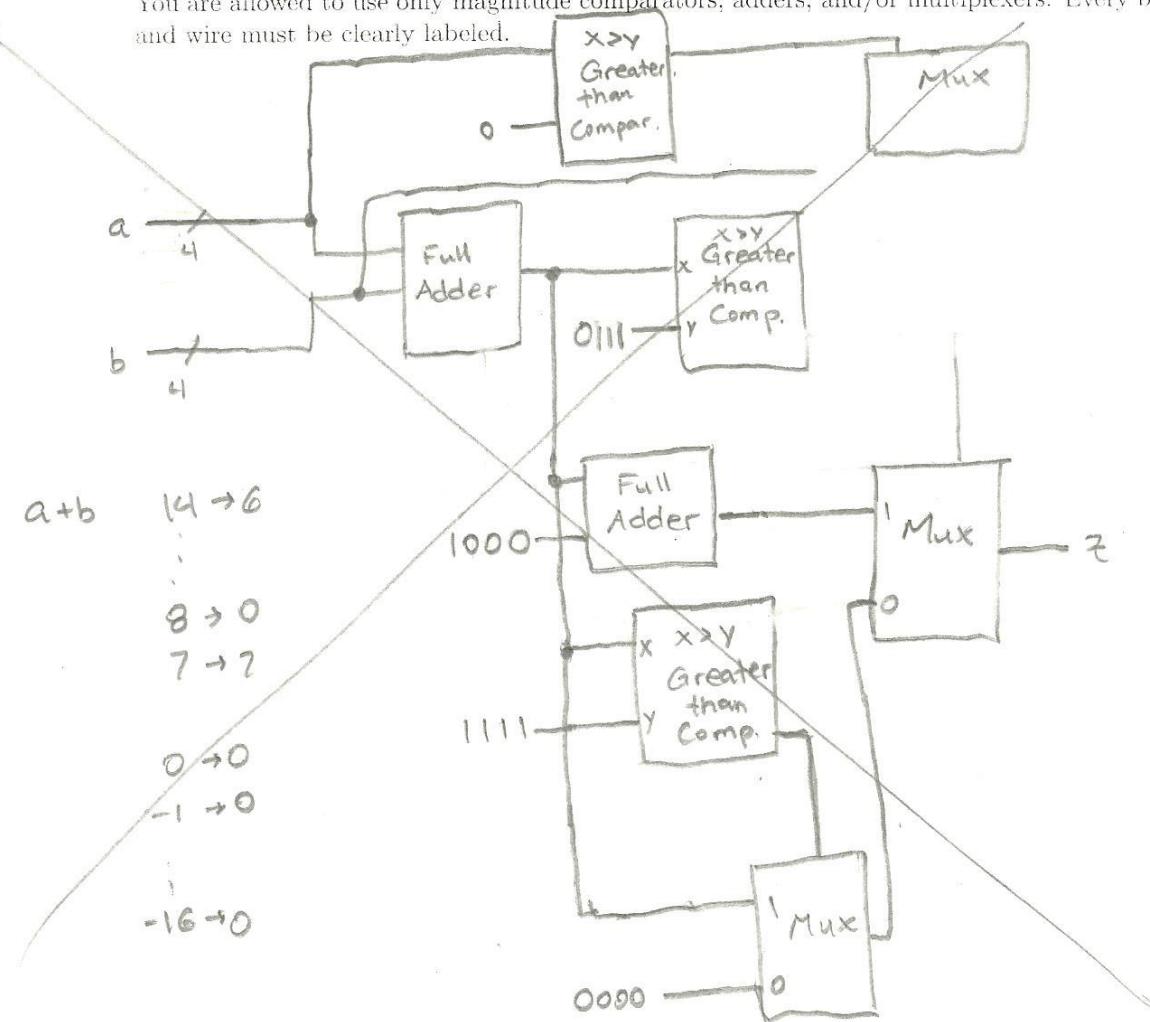
**Problem 7** (15 points)

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

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

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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