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## ENEL 353 - Digital Circuits

### Final Examination

Lecture sections

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Monday, December 16, 2013

Time: Noon – 3:00 PM

Location: Gold Gymnasium

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#### Instructions:

- Time allowed is 3 hours.
- Please review the examination rules on Page 2.
- Non-programmable calculators are permitted.
- The maximum number of marks is 100, as indicated. The final examination counts toward 50% of the final grade. Please attempt all questions.
- Please use a pen or heavy pencil to ensure legibility.
- Please answer questions in the spaces provided; if space is insufficient, please use the back of the pages.
- Where appropriate, marks will be awarded for proper and well-reasoned explanations.

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1 (14)	2 (14)	3 (13)	4 (12)	5 (11)	6 (10)	7 (12)	8 (14)	Total (100)

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1. [14 marks total.] Numbers, codes and binary addition.

- (a) [1 mark.] Interpreted as an *unsigned binary* integer, what decimal number does 1000101 represent?

Unsigned:  $2^6 + 2^2 + 2^0 = 64 + 4 + 1 = 69_{10}$

- (b) [1 mark.] Interpreted as a *sign/magnitude* integer, what decimal number does 1000101 represent?

Sign = 1 (negative), Magnitude = 000101, number is  $-5_{10}$

- (c) [2 marks.] Interpreted as a *two's complement* integer, what decimal number does 1000101 represent?

Negative number. Determine its magnitude

Number is  $-(2^5 + 2^4 + 2^3 + 2^1 + 2^0) = -59_{10}$

$$1000101 \rightarrow \begin{array}{r} 0111010 \\ + \phantom{0111010} 1 \\ \hline 0111011 \end{array}$$

- (d) [3 marks.] Convert the *octal* number  $6572_8$  to each of the formats given below. Show how you obtained your answers.

hexadecimal: Regroup bits

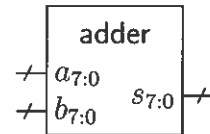
$$\begin{array}{cccc} 110 & 101 & 111 & 010 \\ \hline D & 7 & A & \phantom{0} \end{array} = D7A_{16}$$

decimal:  $6 \times 8^3 + 5 \times 8^2 + 7 \times 8^1 + 2 \times 8^0 = 3450_{10}$

- (e) [1 mark.] The ten-bit Gray code for  $353_{10}$  is 0111010001. Explain briefly but precisely why it cannot possibly be true that 0111010100 is the ten-bit Gray code for  $354_{10}$ .

Gray code ensures that an increase by 1 in the binary code causes only 1 bit to change in the Gray code. 2 bits change here.

- (f) [2 marks.] An example 8-bit adder is shown to the right. Recall that *signed overflow* is a condition that may occur when using an *N*-bit adder to add two's-complement integers.

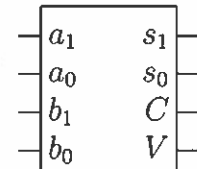


Write an SOP expression involving bits of *a*, *b*, and *s* that is true if and only if signed overflow has occurred, and write a one-sentence explanation of why your expression is correct. (Do not include carry signals in your expression.)

$V = a_7 b_7 \bar{s}_7 + \bar{a}_7 \bar{b}_7 s_7$  sign bits  $a_7, b_7, s_7$

This will be true if adding two numbers of the same sign produces a sum with the opposite sign.

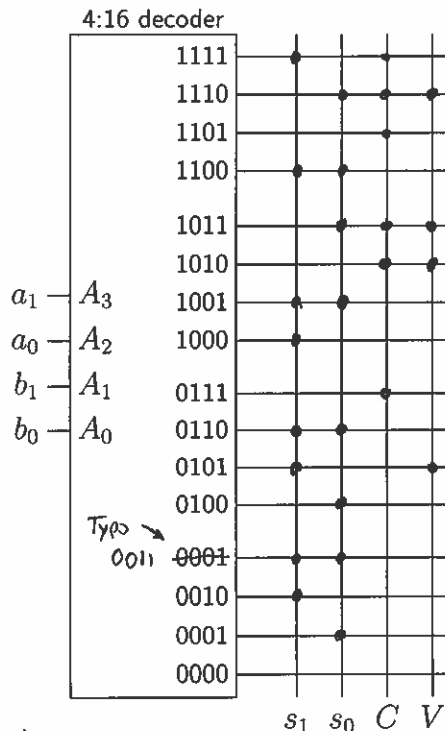
- (g) [4 marks.] Consider building a 2-bit integer adder, with inputs and outputs as shown to the right.  $s_{1:0}$  is the 2-bit sum of  $a_{1:0}$  and  $b_{1:0}$ , *C* is true to indicate unsigned overflow, and *V* is true to indicate signed overflow.



Use dot notation on the given ROM circuit to show how to implement the adder as a ROM. (Hint: The given truth table will be very helpful.)

$a_1$	$a_0$	$b_1$	$b_0$	$C_{out}$	$s_1$	$s_0$	$C$	$V$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0

Note reverse order of input combinations between table and decoder.



2. [14 marks total.] Boolean algebra and multiplexers.

(a) [2 marks.] The XOR operator has a number of its own important basic properties. In the table below, determine the result of each XOR operation.

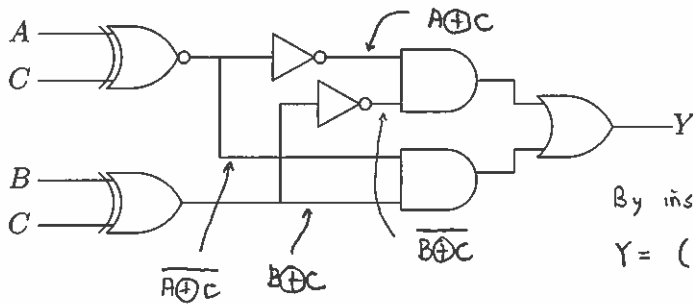
Operation	Result
$A \oplus A$	0
$A \oplus 1$	$\bar{A}$
$A \oplus \bar{B}$	$\overline{A \oplus B}$

$$A \oplus A = A\bar{A} + \bar{A}A = 0$$

$$A \oplus 1 = A \cdot 0 + \bar{A} \cdot 1 = \bar{A}$$

$$A \oplus \bar{B} = AB + \bar{A}\bar{B} = \overline{A \oplus B}$$

(b) [5 marks.] In the circuit shown below, algebraically prove or disprove that  $Y = A \oplus B$ . Do not use a truth table or K-map.



By inspection,  
 $Y = (A \oplus C)(\overline{B \oplus C}) + (\overline{A \oplus C})(B \oplus C)$

Let  $W = A \oplus C$   
 $X = B \oplus C$

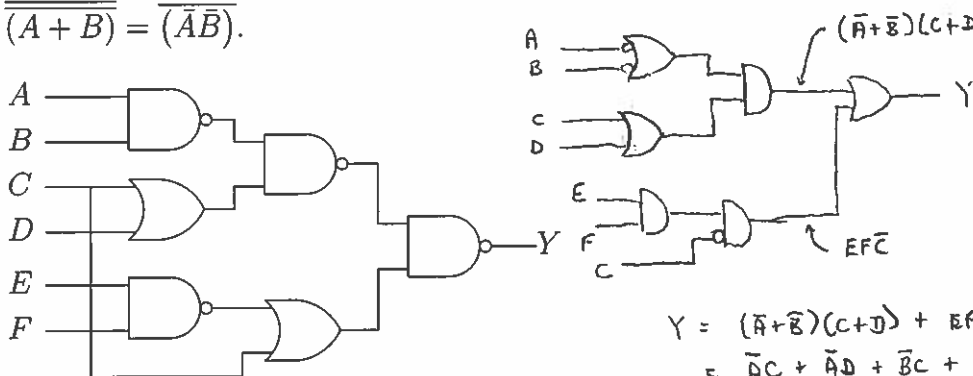
Then,  $Y = W\bar{X} + \bar{W}X = W \oplus X$

Therefore,  $Y = A \oplus C \oplus B \oplus C$   
 $= A \oplus B \oplus C \oplus C$

from part (a),  $C \oplus C = 0$

$Y = A \oplus B$

(c) [3 marks.] Use bubble-pushing and/or algebra to find a SOP expression for Y. If you use bubble-pushing, draw your equivalent circuit to the right of the given circuit. Hint for bubble-pushing with OR gates:  $A + B = \overline{\overline{A+B}} = \overline{(\bar{A}\bar{B})}$ .



$$Y = (\bar{A} + \bar{B})(C + D) + E\bar{F}$$

$$= \bar{A}C + \bar{A}D + \bar{B}C + \bar{B}D + E\bar{F}$$

(d) [4 marks.] Draw a schematic to show how the function  $Y = AB + \bar{B}C + A\bar{C}$  can be implemented with a 2:1 multiplexer, one inverter, and one two-input AND gate.

Truth table

ABC	Y
000	0
001	1
010	0
011	0
100	1
101	1
110	1
111	1

$\Rightarrow$

AB	Y
00	C
01	0
10	1
11	1

$\Rightarrow$

A	Y
0	$\bar{B}C$
1	1



3. [13 marks total.] *K-map and multiple-output problems.*

(a) [6 marks.] Consider the following two logic functions with the given don't-care conditions:

Function	Expression	Don't-cares
$F(A, B, C, D)$	$\bar{B}\bar{C}\bar{D} + \bar{A}\bar{B} + \bar{A}\bar{B}C + \bar{A}BD$	$\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}\bar{D}, ABCD$
$G(A, B, C, D)$	$(B + \bar{D})(\bar{A} + C + \bar{D})(A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})$	$\bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}\bar{D}, ABC\bar{D}$

Use the blank K-maps below to determine minimal SOP expressions for each of  $F$  and  $G$ :

- If there is more than one solution for either, give just one, but indicate how many other solutions are possible;
- On the map for  $F$ , indicate all of the distinguished 1-cells and the essential prime implicants.

*\* - distinguished 1-cell*

**F-map:**

$$F = \bar{B}\bar{D} + \bar{A}\bar{B} + CD + \bar{A}BD$$

There are two other possible solutions

Place 0-cells at:  $\bar{B}\bar{D}, A\bar{C}\bar{D}, \bar{A}BC$

**G-map:**

$$G = \bar{B}\bar{D} + ABC + \bar{A}\bar{D} + \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}$$

There is one other possible solution

(b) [4 marks.] Use the same maps from part (a) to determine minimal POS expressions for each of  $F$  and  $G$ . If there are multiple solutions, give just one.

**F-bar map:**

$$\bar{F} = \bar{B}\bar{D} + AB + \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}\bar{D}$$

so  $F = (\bar{B} + \bar{D})(\bar{A} + \bar{B})(A + B + C + \bar{D})$

**G-bar map:**

$$\bar{G} = \bar{A}\bar{C}\bar{D} + \bar{B}\bar{D} + \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C}$$

so  $G = (A + \bar{B} + \bar{C})(B + \bar{D})(\bar{A} + C + \bar{D})$

(c) [3 marks.] The K-maps below describe a system with three inputs and three outputs. Write equations for  $F$ ,  $G$ , and  $H$  suitable for implementation on a PLA using the *smallest number of implicants*. Do not draw a PLA diagram.

**F-map:**

$$F = \bar{A}\bar{B} + BC + AC$$

*BC (private)*

**G-map:**

$$G = \bar{A}\bar{B} + AB + \bar{B}\bar{C}$$

*AB (shared)*

**H-map:**

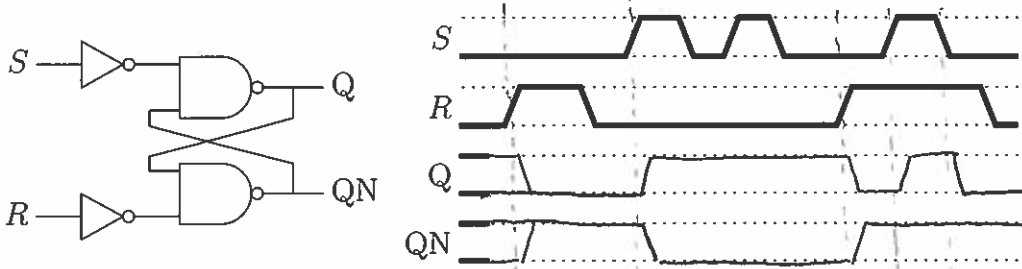
$$H = \bar{A}\bar{B} + \bar{B}\bar{C}$$

*A-bar B-bar (shared), B-bar C-bar (shared)*

There are a total of 5 implicants used (3 shared, 2 private).

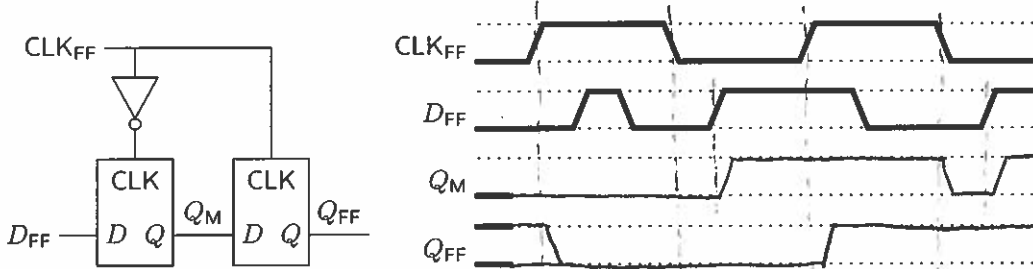
4. [12 marks total.] Questions about basic building blocks for sequential circuits.

(a) [3 marks.] An SR latch can be made from two NOT gates and two NAND gates, as shown below. Complete the timing diagram. (Note that for the given  $S$  and  $R$  signals, it's possible to determine  $Q$  and  $Q_N$  at all times.)



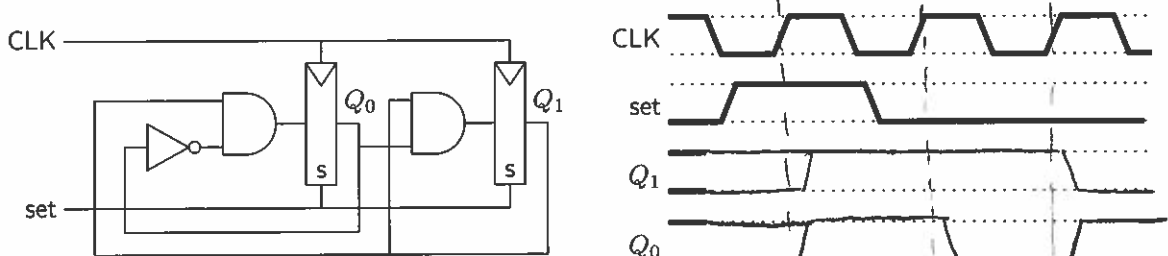
Remark: When  $S=R=1$ , both NAND gates have a 0 input, so  $Q=Q_N=1$ .

(b) [3 marks.] The schematic below shows a D flip-flop made from two D latches in a master-slave configuration. Complete the timing diagram.



Remark: Because of the NOT gate,  $Q_M$  follows  $D_{FF}$  when  $CLK_{FF}$  is LOW.

(c) [3 marks.] The set inputs to the DFFs in this circuit are synchronous. Complete the timing diagram.

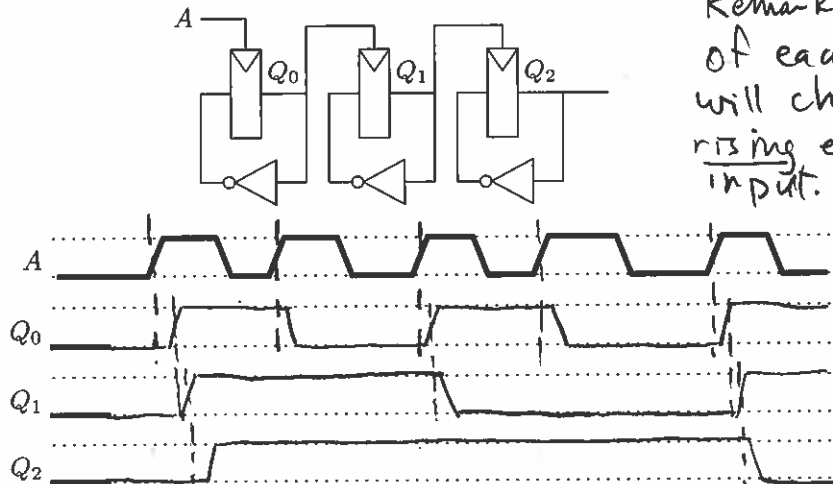


$$Q_1' = Q_1 Q_0$$

$$Q_0' = Q_1 \overline{Q_0}$$

(d) [3 marks.] Usually all the D flip-flops in a sequential logic circuit are connected to the same clock source. However, it's possible to create some interesting and useful circuits by breaking that rule.

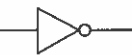
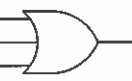

Complete the timing diagram for the given circuit. Assume that the pulses on  $A$  are much wider than any of the DFF timing parameters, and that  $Q_{2:0} = 000$  before the first rising edge on  $A$ .



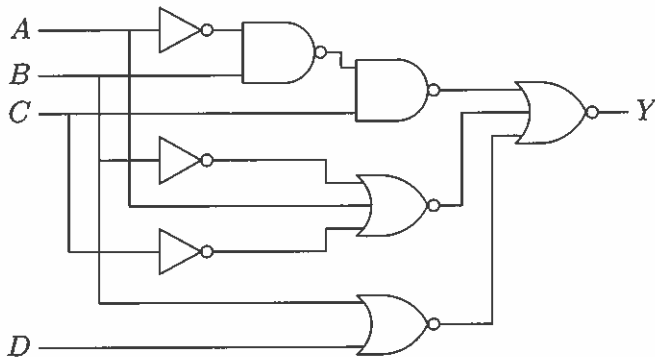
Remark: The output of each flip-flop will change on each rising edge of its clock input.

5. [11 marks total.] Constraints related to voltage levels and timing.

(a) [3 marks.] The table below on the left specifies important voltage levels for Advanced Ultra-Low Voltage CMOS operating with  $V_{DD} = 1.8V$ . Fill in the table on the right with either the most precise possible range of output voltages, or an explanation of why the range is unknown.

$V_{OH}$ 1.20V	1.18V		$0 \leq V_{out} \leq 0.45V$	Remarks $V_m \geq V_{IH}$
$V_{IH}$ 1.17V	0.05V		Unknown. Two inputs are OK, but 1.05V is in forbidden zone	
$V_{IL}$ 0.63V	0.50V		$1.20V \leq V_{out} \leq 1.8V$	$0.52V \leq V_{IL}$ $1.70V \geq V_{IH}$
$V_{OL}$ 0.45V	0.52V			
	1.70V			

(b) [3 marks.] Determine overall  $t_{pd}$  and  $t_{cd}$  values for the following circuit. Show carefully how you obtained your answers.



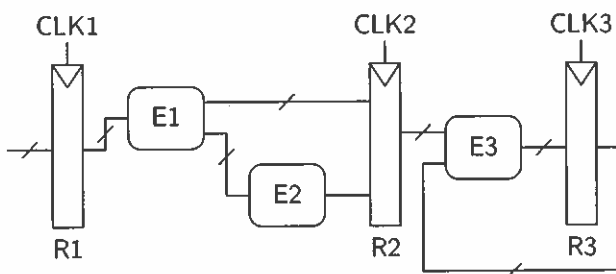
Timing parameters in ps

gate	# inputs	$t_{pd}$	$t_{cd}$
NOT	1	30	21
NAND	2	43	32
NAND	3	53	42
NOR	2	55	40
NOR	3	70	54

Overall  $t_{pd} = \underbrace{30}_{\text{NOT}} + \underbrace{43}_{\text{NAND2}} + \underbrace{43}_{\text{NAND2}} + \underbrace{70}_{\text{NOR3}} = \boxed{186 \text{ ps}}$

Overall  $t_{cd} = \underbrace{32}_{\text{NAND2}} + \underbrace{54}_{\text{NOR3}} = \boxed{86 \text{ ps}}$

(c) [2 marks.] In the following circuit, signals CLK1, CLK2, and CLK3 all come from the same clock source. For all three registers, the timing parameters are  $t_{setup} = 50 \text{ ps}$ ,  $t_{hold} = 0 \text{ ps}$ ,  $t_{pcq} = 40 \text{ ps}$ , and  $t_{ccq} = 25 \text{ ps}$ .



Timing parameters in ps

element	$t_{pd}$	$t_{cd}$
E1	100	41
E2	200	55
E3	280	70

Assume the input to R1 never violates timing constraints, and that there is zero clock skew between CLK1, CLK2, and CLK3. Determine the minimum  $T_C$  (clock period) for reliable operation of the circuit.

The critical path is from R1 to R2 thru E1 and E2.

$t_{pd} = 100 + 200 = 300 \text{ ps}$

$T_C \leq t_{pcq} + t_{pd} + t_{setup} = 40 + 300 + 50 = \boxed{390 \text{ ps}}$

(d) [3 marks.] Consider again the circuit of part (c), but now assume that there might be some clock skew. Suppose the desired  $T_C$  is 460 ps. What is the maximum value of  $t_{skew}$  that will allow reliable operation?

Setup: From (c),  $t_{pd} = 300 \text{ ps}$   
 $t_{skew} \leq T_C - t_{pcq} - t_{pd} - t_{setup}$   
 $\leq 460 - 40 - 300 - 50$   
 $t_{skew} \leq \underline{70 \text{ ps}}$

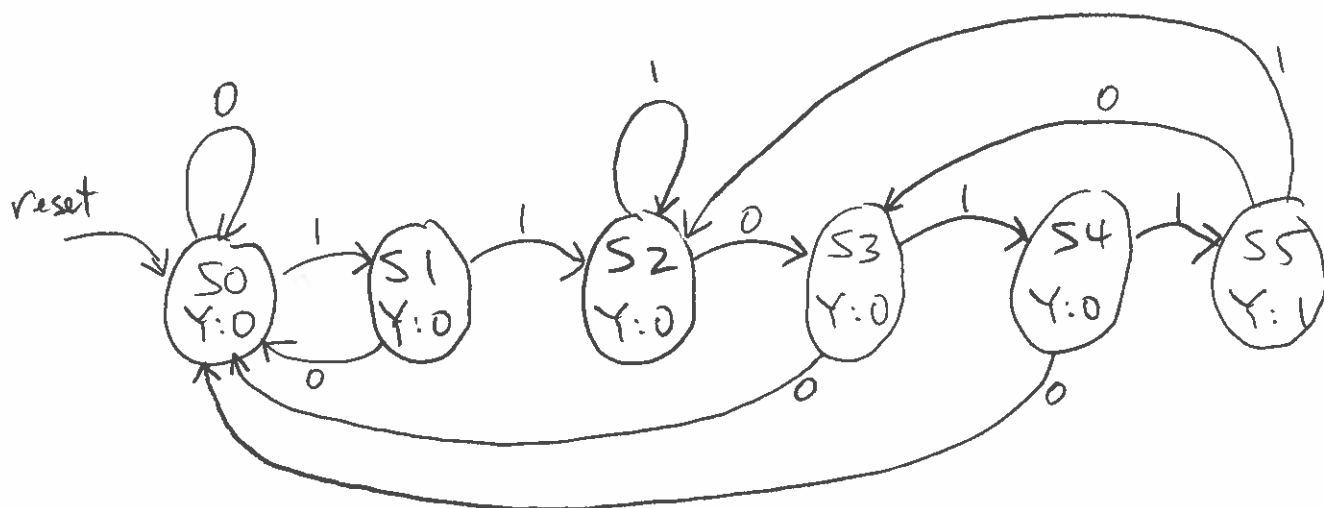
hold: Overall  $t_{cd}$  is 41ps (R1 to R2 thru E1)  
 $t_{cd} \geq t_{hold} - t_{ccq} + t_{skew}$   
 $t_{skew} \leq t_{cd} - t_{hold} + t_{ccq} = 41 - 0 + 25$   
 $t_{skew} \leq \underline{66 \text{ ps}}$

Overall:  $t_{skew} \leq \underline{66 \text{ ps}}$

6. [10 marks total.] A sequence detection problem. Consider the design of a Moore-type FSM that has one input  $A$  and one output  $Y$ .  $Y$  should be 1 if the values of  $A$  at the last 5 rising edges of the clock have been 1, 1, 0, 1, 1.  $Y$  should be 0 at all other times.

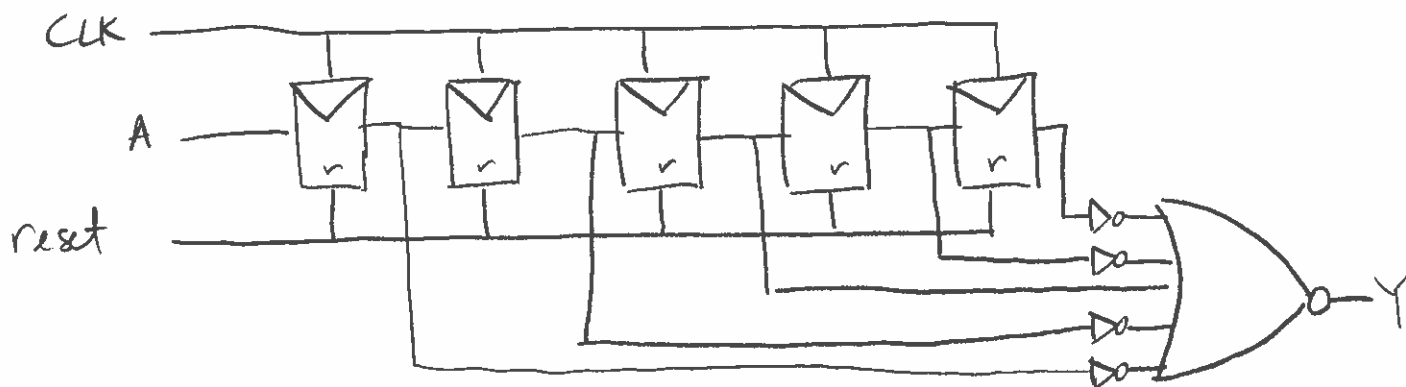
(a) [7 marks.] Choose states for an FSM design, and describe them in the table below. (If you need fewer than eight states, write “unused” beside the names of states you don’t use.) Then make a state-transition diagram for the FSM.

state	description
S0	from reset, or looking for first 1 in 11011
S1	looking for second 1 in 11011
S2	looking for 0 within 11011
S3	looking for third 1 in 11011
S4	looking for fourth 1 in 11011
S5	sequence detected over last 5 rising edges
S6	unused
S7	unused



Remark: The direct path from S0 to S5 is easy. The harder part is determining how far to “back up” when an “undesired bit” arrives.

(b) [3 marks.] Instead of going on to make tables for next-state and output logic, consider a totally different method of implementation. Draw a schematic for the sequence detector, using 5 D flip-flops in a shift register configuration, one NOR gate with however many inputs you need, and some inverters.

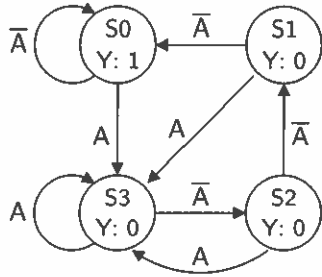


Remark: Remember that DeMorgan's Theorem lets you convert a NOR gate into an AND gate.



7. [12 marks total.] FSM implementation in a “programmable FSM” circuit.

(a) [4 marks.] Below are a state transition diagram of an FSM and a proposed state encoding. Write truth tables for the next-state and output logic.



state	S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>0</sub>
S0	0	0
S1	0	1
S2	1	0
S3	1	1

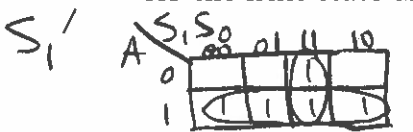
next-state logic

S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>0</sub>	A	S <sub>1</sub> '	S <sub>0</sub> '
0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	1
1	1	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	1

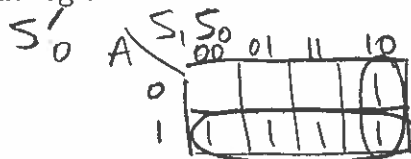
output logic

S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>0</sub>	Y
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

(b) [3 marks.] Use the results of part (a) to find minimal SOP expressions for the next-state and output logic.



$$S_1' = S_1 S_0 + A$$



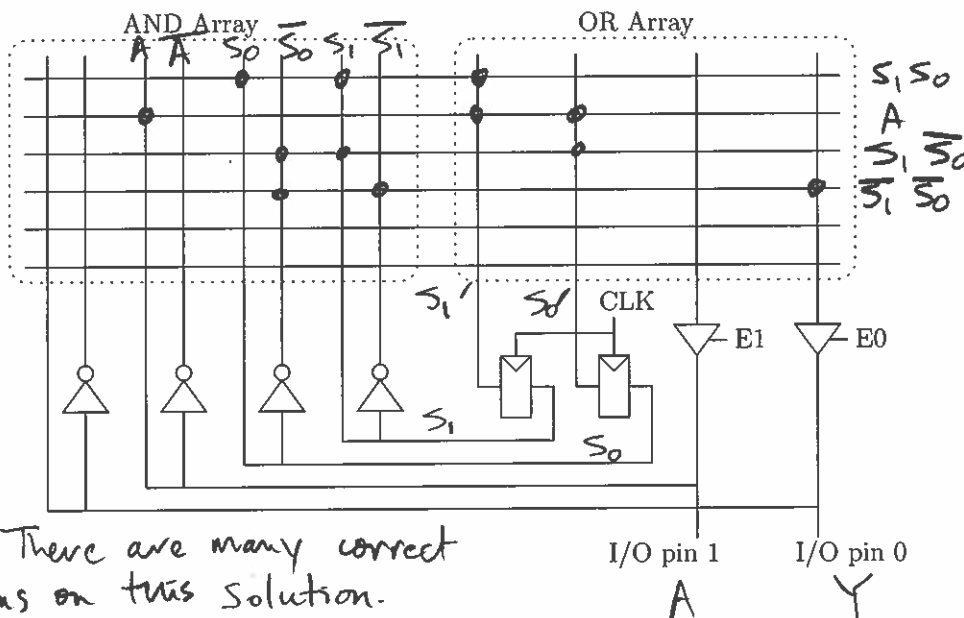
$$S_0' = S_1 \bar{S}_0 + A$$

By inspection  
 $Y = \bar{S}_1 \bar{S}_0$

(c) [5 marks.] The FSM can be implemented using a “programmable FSM”, which combines a PLA, some D flip-flops, and some tristate buffers, as shown below. A decision has been made to use I/O pin 1 for A and I/O pin 0 for Y.

Fill in the table to specify and explain the correct values for E1 and E0, then put dots in the AND and OR Arrays in the PLA to implement your equations from part (b).

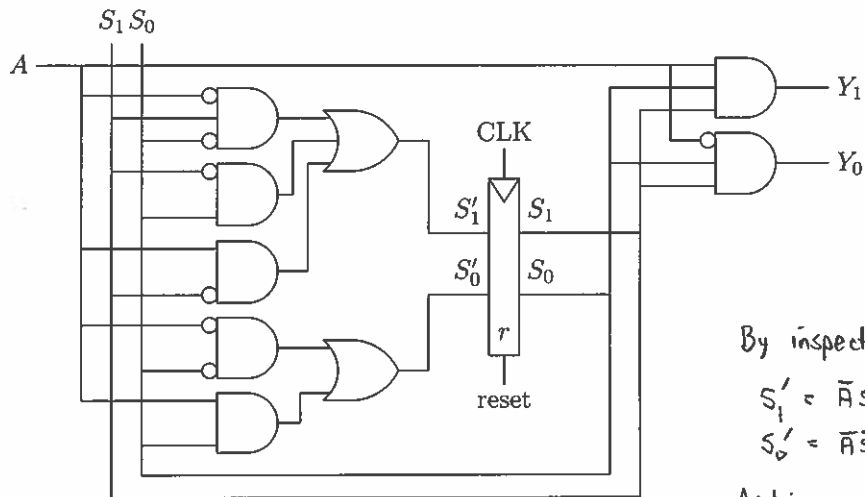
signal	0 or 1?	reason
E1	0	A must <u>not</u> contend with OR array output.
E0	1	Y must be driven by OR array output.



Remark: There are many correct variations on this solution.

8. [14 marks total.] Questions about FSM analysis.

(a) [8 marks.] Consider the FSM sketched below. There is one input  $A$ , and two outputs  $Y_1$  and  $Y_0$ . Determine the combined state and output table, and sketch the state-transition diagram. In your tables, use 0's and 1's for the states and next states, not symbols like  $S_0, S_1$ , etc.



By inspection :

$$S_1' = \bar{A} S_1 \bar{S}_0 + \bar{S}_1 S_0 + A \bar{S}_1$$

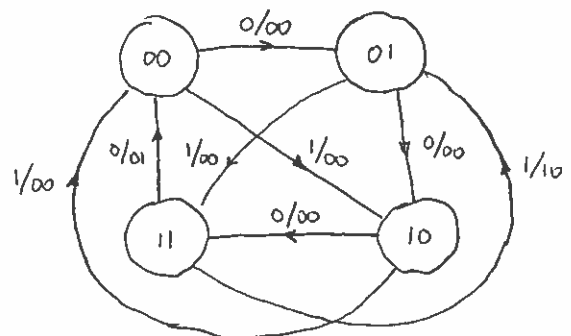
$$S_0' = \bar{A} \bar{S}_0 + A S_0$$

And:  $Y_1 = A S_1 S_0$   
 $Y_0 = \bar{A} S_1 S_0$

Combined state and output table :

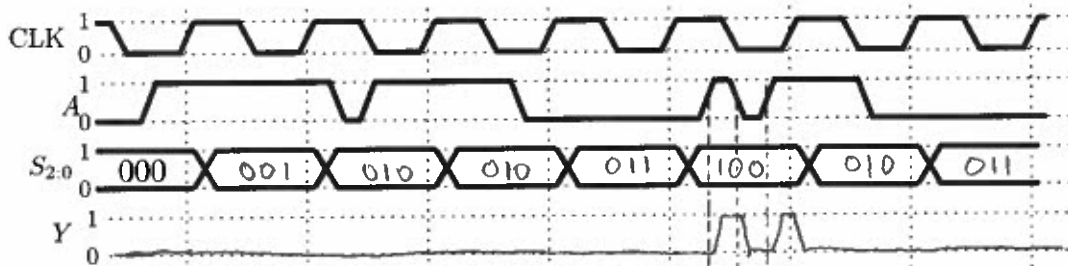
Current state $S_1, S_0$	input $A$	next-state $S_1', S_0'$	output $Y_1, Y_0$
00	0	0 1	0 0
00	1	1 0	0 0
01	0	1 0	0 0
01	1	1 1	0 0
10	0	1 1	0 0
10	1	0 0	0 0
11	0	0 0	0 1
11	1	0 1	1 0

State-transition diagram :



(b) [6 marks.] Below is the combined state and output table for a FSM that has one input  $A$ , and one output  $Y$ . The state variables are  $S_{2:0}$ . Use this table to complete the timing diagram.

$S_{2:0}$	$A$	$S_{2:0}'$	$Y$	$S_{2:0}$	$A$	$S_{2:0}'$	$Y$
000	0	000	0	010	1	010	0
000	1	001	0	011	0	100	0
001	0	000	0	011	1	001	0
001	1	010	0	100	0	000	0
010	0	011	0	100	1	010	1



Output  $Y$  tracks the value of  $A$  in state 100 (Mealy machine)