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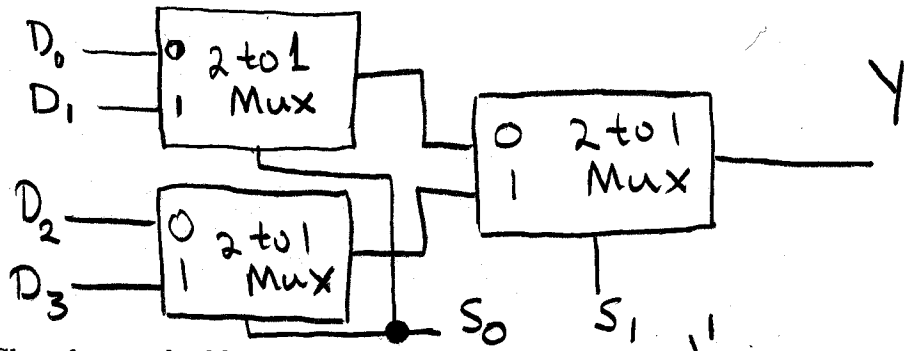
Good Luck!

Problem 1 (10 points)

We would like to use 2-to-1 multiplexers in order to build more complicated multiplexers.

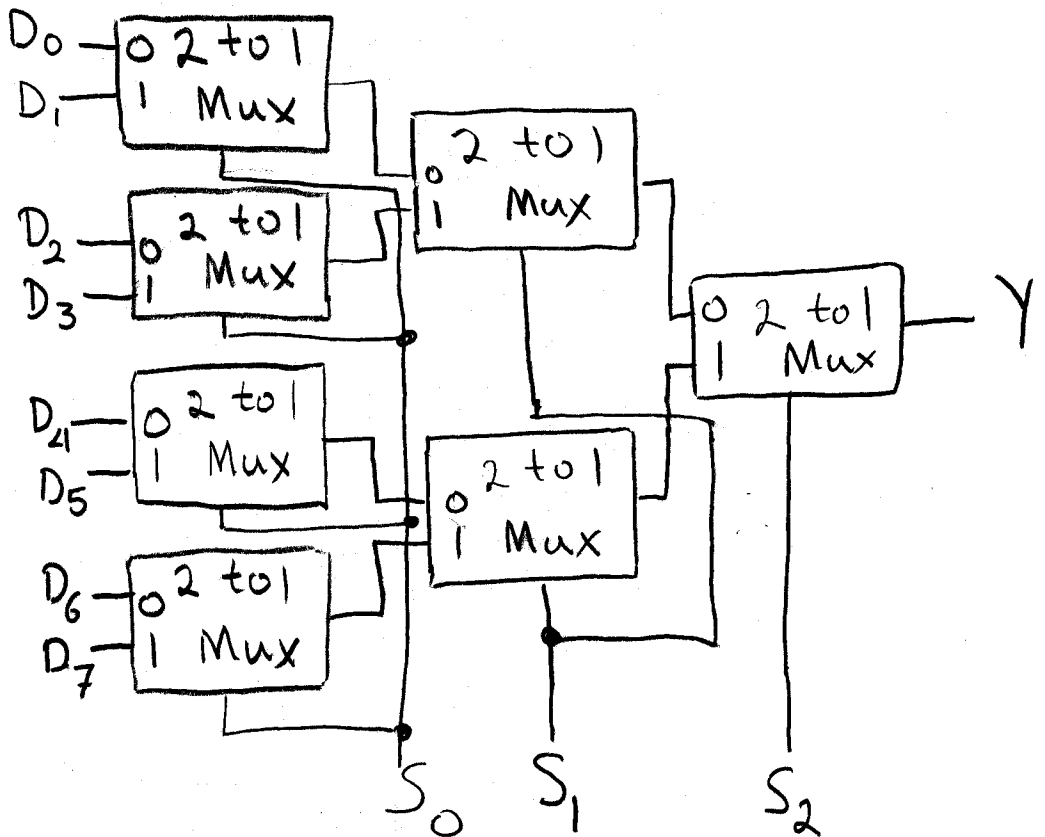
1(a)(5 points) Show how to build a 4-to-1 multiplexer by using 2-to-1 multiplexers only.

S_1	S_0	Y
0	0	D_0
0	1	D_1
1	0	D_2
1	1	D_3



1(b)(5 points) Show how to build an 8-to-1 multiplexer by using 2-to-1 multiplexers only.

S_2	S_1	S_0	Y
0	0	0	D_0
0	0	1	D_1
0	1	0	D_2
0	1	1	D_3
1	0	0	D_4
1	0	1	D_5
1	1	0	D_6
1	1	1	D_7



Problem 2 (15 points)

Use a 3-to-8 decoder and three OR-gates to realize the following functions:

$$F(A, B, C) = A(B + C) + A'B'$$

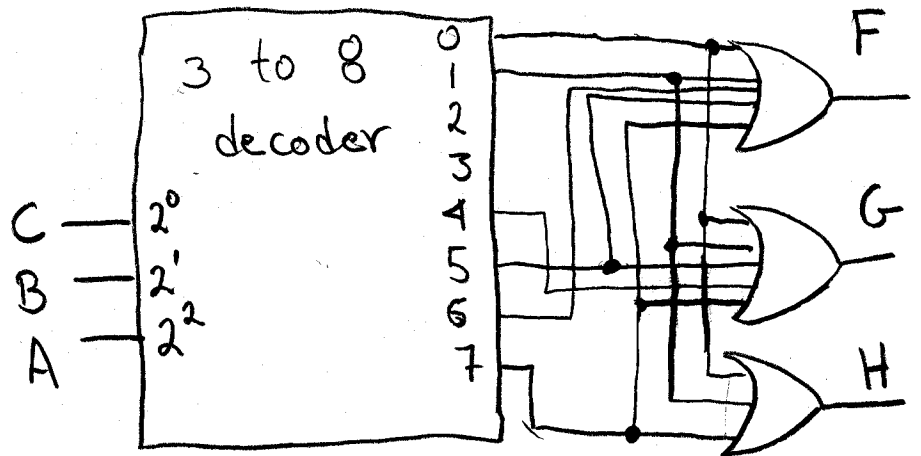
$$G(A, B, C) = \sum m(0, 1, 4, 5, 7)$$

$$H(A, B, C) = ABC + A'B'$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(A, B, C) &= AB + AC + A'B' \\ &= AB(C + C') + A(B + B')C + A'B'(C + C') \\ &= ABC + ABC' + \cancel{ABC} + AB'C + A'B'C + A'B'C' \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H(A, B, C) &= ABC + A'B'(C + C') \\ &= ABC + A'B'C + A'B'C' \end{aligned}$$

A	B	C	F	G	H
0	0	0	1	1	1
0	0	1	1	1	1
0	1	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1



Problem 3 (35 points).

In what follows, we want to implement the function $f(x) = x^2 - 1$ for three-bit integer inputs. Please read the instructions carefully and answer each part separately.

3(a)(5 points) For the inputs, we want to use three bit **signed numbers** $(a_2 a_1 a_0)_2$. Give all signed integer numbers that can be represented using three bits, assuming that 2's complement is used for representing negative numbers.

$a_2 a_1 a_0$	number	$a_2 a_1 a_0$	number
0 0 0	0	1 0 0	-4
0 0 1	1	1 0 1	-3
0 1 0	2	1 1 0	-2
0 1 1	3	1 1 1	-1

↓ increasing
↑ decreasing

3(b)(3 points) Plug in all the numbers represented in 3(a) into $f(x) = x^2 - 1$. What is the smallest number? What is the largest number?

x	$x^2 - 1$
-4	15
-3	8
-2	3
-1	0
0	-1
1	0
2	3
3	8

← largest
← smallest

3(c)(2 points) Based on your result in 3(b), how many bits do we need in order to represent the result? For your answer, assume that we are using two's-complement for representing negative numbers.

Five bits: $\begin{cases} 01111 & \text{is } 15 \\ 11111 & \text{is } -1 \end{cases}$

Four bits are not enough!

In four-bits: 15 is 1111 = -1!

3(d)(10 points) Provide a truth table where the input is $x = (a_2 a_1 a_0)_2$ and the output is $f(x) = x^2 - 1 = (b_n b_{n-1} \dots b_0)_2$, where n is determined from your answer in 3(c).

a_2	a_1	a_0	x	$f(x)$	b_4	b_3	b_2	b_1	b_0
0	0	0	0	-1	1	1	1	1	1
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	1	1
0	1	1	3	8	0	1	0	0	0

3(e)(10 points) Use three-variable Karnaugh maps to determine minimum sums of products for each one of b_n, b_{n-1}, \dots, b_0 .

continuing 3(d)

a_2	a_1	a_0	x	$f(x)$	b_4	b_3	b_2	b_1	b_0
1	0	0	-4	15	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	-3	8	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	-2	3	0	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0

By inspection: $b_0 = b_1 = \bar{a}_0$

a_2	a_1	a_0
0	0	0
0	0	1
0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
1	1	1

$b_4 = \bar{a}_2 \bar{a}_1 \bar{a}_0$
also by inspection!

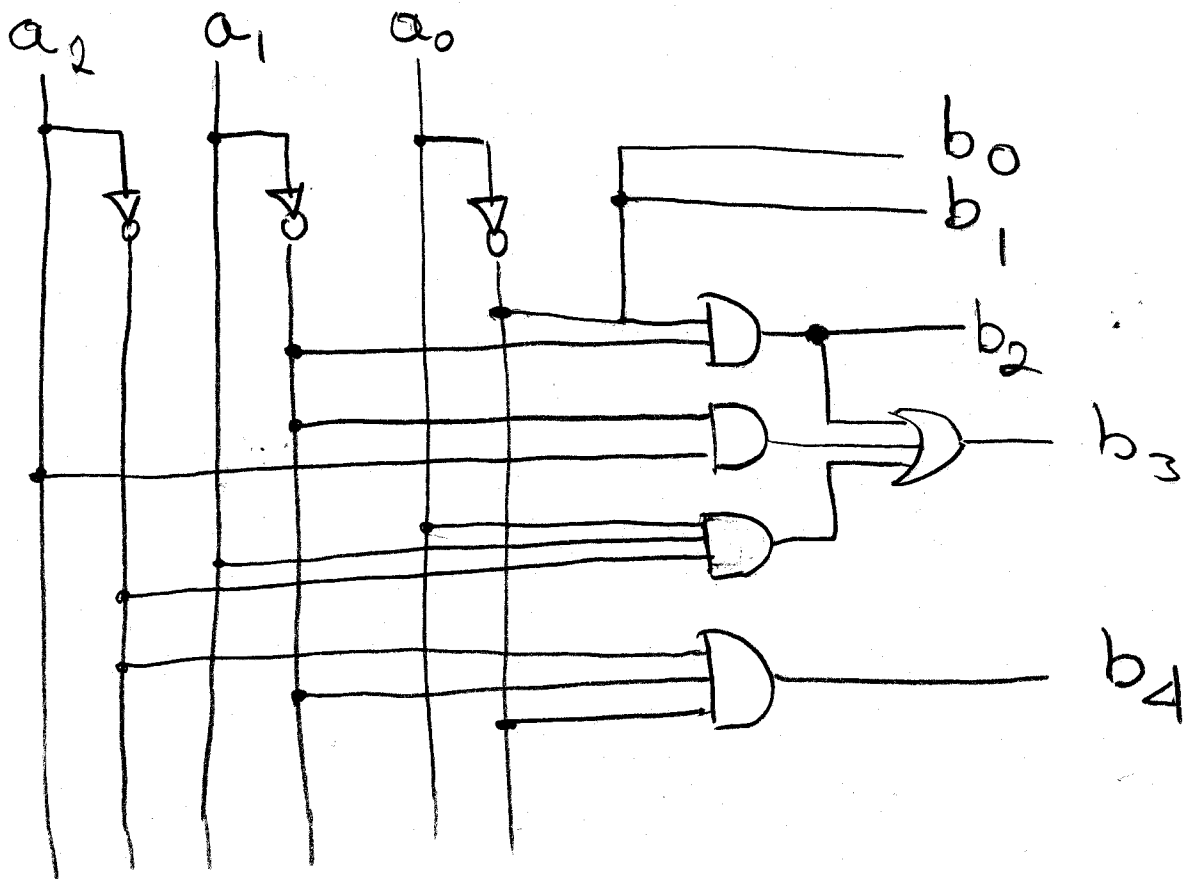
a_2	a_1	a_0
0	0	0
0	0	1
0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
1	1	1

$b_3 = \bar{a}_1 \bar{a}_0 + a_2 \bar{a}_1 + \bar{a}_2 a_1 a_0$

a_2	a_1	a_0
0	0	0
0	0	1
0	1	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	0	1
1	1	0
1	1	1

$b_2 = \bar{a}_1 \bar{a}_0$

3(f)(5 points) Show the circuits for realizing b_n, b_{n-1}, \dots, b_0 based on your answer from 3(e).

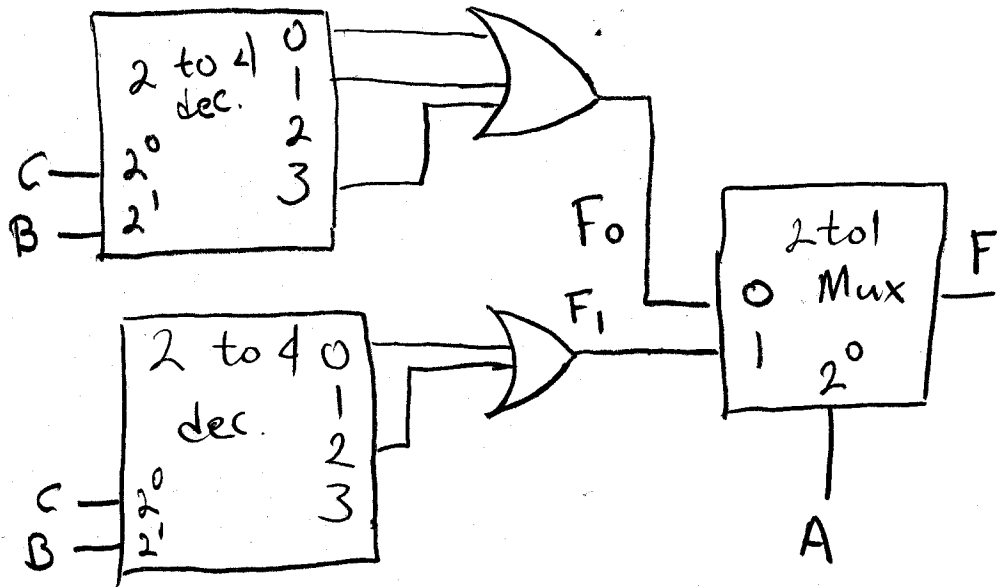


Problem 4(15 points)

Use two 2-to-4 decoders (do not use a 3-to-8 decoder!), two OR-gates, and a 2-to-1 multiplexer in order to realize the following three-variable function:

$$F(A, B, C) = \sum m(0, 1, 3, 4, 6)$$

A	B	C	F
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0



You could also combine the two decoders into one! (See problem 2).

The basic idea is that:

$$F(A, B, C) = \bar{A} \underbrace{F_0(B, C)}_{2\text{-vars}} + A \underbrace{F_1(B, C)}_{2\text{-vars}}$$

Combine using 2 to 1 Mux.

Problem 5(25 points)

5(a)(10 points) Give the two's complement *binary, hexadecimal, and octal* representations of -1, -5, -8.

$$\begin{array}{r} -1: 0001 \\ \quad 1110 \\ \hline \quad 1+ \\ \hline b: (1111)_2 \\ h: (F)_{16} \\ o: (17)_8 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -5: 0101 \\ \quad 1010 \\ \hline \quad 1+ \\ \hline b: (1011)_2 \\ h: (B)_{16} \\ o: (13)_8 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -8: 1000 \\ \quad 0111 \\ \hline \quad 1+ \\ \hline b: (1000)_2 \\ h: (8)_{16} \\ o: (10)_8 \end{array}$$

4 bits are enough for representing -8 to +7.

5(b)(5 points) Show the binary results for the following operations: 4 - 5, 0 - 1.

$$\begin{array}{r} 4 : 0100 \\ -5 : 1011 \\ \hline -1 : 1111 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0 : 0000 \\ -1 : 1111 \\ \hline -1 : 1111 \end{array}$$

5(c)(10 points) Give the binary representation of 1/10 assuming that only 8 bits can be used for representing the fractional part.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{10} \times 2 &= \frac{2}{10} \rightarrow b_{-1} = 0 \\ \frac{2}{10} \times 2 &= \frac{4}{10} \rightarrow b_{-2} = 0 \\ \frac{4}{10} \times 2 &= \frac{8}{10} \rightarrow b_{-3} = 0 \\ \frac{8}{10} \times 2 &= \frac{16}{10} \rightarrow b_{-4} = 1 \\ \frac{6}{10} \times 2 &= \frac{12}{10} \rightarrow b_{-5} = 1 \\ &\text{repeats (see } b_{-2}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = (0.00011\overline{11})_2$$

In eight-bits:
 $(0.00011001)_2$