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PHY 313
DIGITAL ELECTRONICS

MAIN EXAMINATION

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TIME : 3 hours
SUBJECT : DIGITAL ELECTRONICS
MARKS : 100

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INTERNAL EXAMINER

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EXTERNAL EXAMINER

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INSTRUCTIONS

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1 {25 marks}

1.1. Simplify the logic circuit shown in Figure 1.

[8]

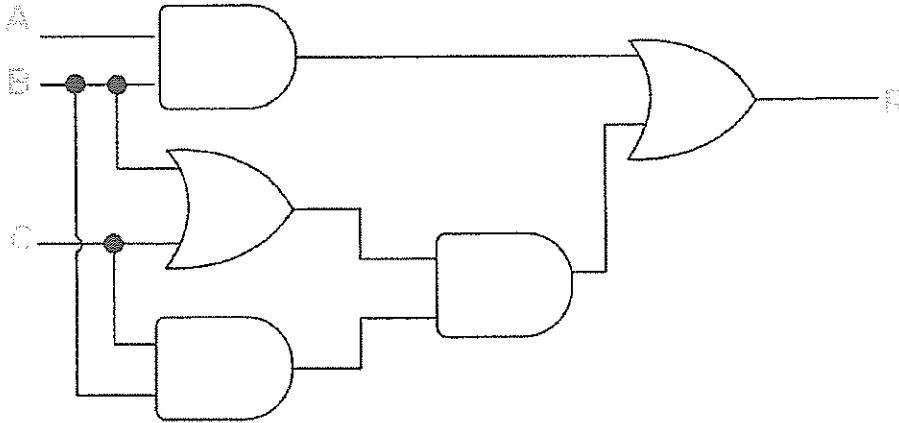


Figure 1: Logic gates

1.2. Find the Boolean algebra expression for the following system.

[5]

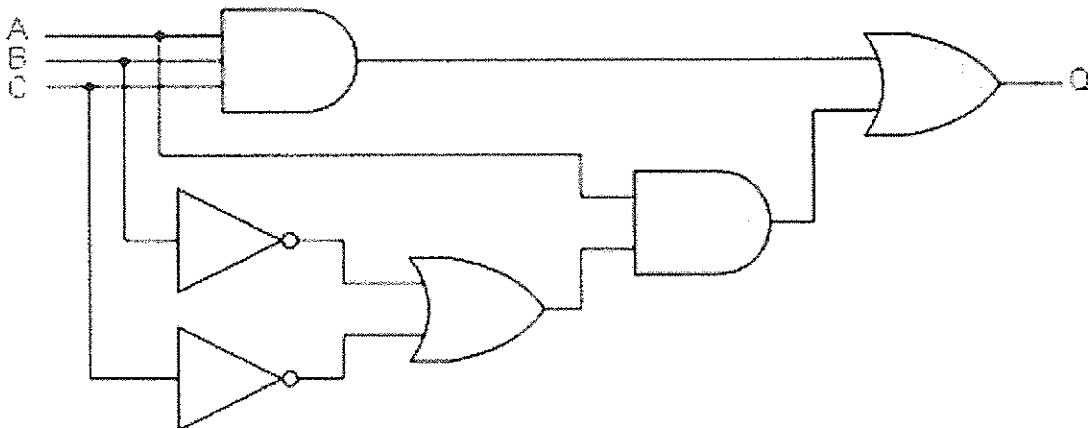


Figure 2: Logic circuit

1.3. Design a logic circuit that has three inputs, A, B, and C, and whose output will be HIGH only when the majority of the inputs are HIGH. [12]

QUESTION 2 {25 marks}

- 2.1. Simplify the Boolean function $F = AB + (AC)' + AB'C(AB + C)$. [5]
- 2.2. Consider the function: $Y = (A \cdot B) + (\overline{A \cdot C}) \cdot \overline{B}$
- 2.2.1. Draw a combinational logic circuit that implements this function. [5]
- 2.2.2. Draw a truth table for this function. [5]
- 2.2.3. Write a sum-of-products representation of Y. [5]
- 2.2.4. Write a product-of-sums representation of Y. [5]
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QUESTION 3 {25 marks}

- 3.1. For a Full Adder (FA):
- 3.1.1. Construct its truth table. [5]
- 3.1.2 Deduce the logical function for Sum (S) and carry output (Co) from the truth table using (SOP). [8]
- 3.1.3 Draw a logic circuit to generate Co and S from the FA. [4]
- 3.2. A circuit uses NOR gates to form a logic function X given by:

$$X = \overline{A+B} + \overline{\overline{A+C}}$$

Use De-Morgan's theorems to turn this into a form suitable for implementing solely in NAND gates and draw the circuit diagram. [8]

QUESTION 4 {25 marks}

- 4.1. Give differences between combinational and sequential logic circuit. [5]
- 4.2. Give differences between counters and shift registers in tabular form. [5]
- 4.3 Draw a truth table of a JK flip-flop. [5]
- 4.4 Construct an asynchronous binary counter using the J-K flip-flops. [10]
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