

Computer Architecture Unit 1 – Sept. 6th, 2022

Exercise 1 (6 points) Design an automaton that takes in input binary sequences and gives in output 1 every time that the number of subsequences 01 received up to that moment equals the number of subsequence 10 received (also with overlapping), and gives 0 otherwise. Design the corresponding circuit by using FF of kind D and a ROM for the combinatorial part.

Example:

IN: 01011100010

OUT: 10100011101

Exercise 2 (6 points) A control circuit receives in input the boolean values a, b, c, d and gives in output $z1$ e $z0$ such that:

- $z1=1$ if $a \cdot b = 1$ or $\bar{b} + \bar{c} + d = 0$ or $b \oplus \bar{d} = 1$
- $z0=1$ if $\bar{b} \cdot d = 1$ or $a + \bar{c} + \bar{d} = 0$ or $a \oplus c = 0$

- i. Give the truth table
- ii. Realize $z1$ and $z0$ by using a PLA
- iii. Implement $z1$ by a MUX 4-to-1, by using a and b as control variables.

Exercise 3 (3 points) Given values $X = 3607$ and $Y = 6275$ represented in base 10:

- turn them in base 16
- calculate $Z=X+Y$ by working in base 16
- turn Z in base 10 and check its correctness
- turn Z in base 2

Exercise 4 (5 points) Design an interconnection between 3 source registers $S1..S3$ and 3 destination registers $D1..D3$ such that

1. $D1$ receives the content of $S1, S2$ or $S3$ according to whether, respectively, $S1$ is greater, smaller or equal to $S2$;
2. transfers $S3$ in $D2$, if the maximum between $S2$ and $S3$ is negative, in $D3$ otherwise.

All transfers are enabled if the content of $D1$ is multiple of 4.

Exercise 5 (4 points) Given $A = -0.6875$, represent it in floating point by using the IEEE half-precision standard. Calculate the sum between A and B , with $B = < 1 ; 01111 ; 1100000000 >$, and represent the result by using the same format. Finally, turn in hexadecimal the binary number obtained by the 16 bits of the IEEE half-precision representation of the result.

Exercise 6 (6 points) Consider the following Boolean expression:

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

1. Put it in SOP normal form
2. Provide its truth table
3. Give a minimal POS expression
4. Provide an ALL-NOR expression