

Homework 2, MORALLY Due Feb 11

**WARNING: THIS HW IS TWO PAGES LONG!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

1. (25 points)

(a) (15 points) Write a truth table with 3 inputs and 2 outputs for the following function:

$$f(x, y, z) = x + y + z \pmod{3}.$$

(b) (10 points) Write a circuit for  $f$  using AND, OR, and NOT using the method shown in class (do not simplify- that would make it harder for the TA's to grade!)

**SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 1 OMITTED  
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2. (25 points)

(a) (10 points) Use truth table so show that

$$\neg(p \wedge q \wedge r) \equiv \neg p \vee \neg q \vee \neg r$$

(This is called *DeMorgan's law on three variables.*)

(b) (15 points) Consider the statement:

$$\text{for all } n \ [\neg(p_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge p_n) \equiv \neg p_1 \vee \cdots \vee \neg p_n]$$

Prove it. Note that you cannot use Truth Table since we want it for all  $n$ . Do not use Induction (later when we learn induction we will do that). Use reasoning about what the truth table for both sides must look like.

## SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 2

Part *a* omitted.

Part *b*:

First consider: for which rows will  $\neg(p_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge p_n)$  be FALSE? Only if  $p_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge p_n$  is TRUE. Since its a  $\wedge$  that only happens if ALL of the  $p_i$ 's are TRUE. So we have:

$\neg(p_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge p_n)$  FALSE if and only if ALL  $p_i$ 's are TRUE.

Second consider: for which rows will  $\neg p_1 \vee \cdots \vee \neg p_n$  be FALSE? Since its a  $\vee$  this only happens if each literal is FALSE. So we need, for all  $i$ ,  $\neg p_i$  is FALSE. So we need, for all  $i$ ,  $p_i$  is TRUE. So we have:

$$\neg p_1 \vee \cdots \vee \neg p_n$$

FALSE if and only if all  $p_i$ 's are TRUE.

Since the two statements are FALSE for all the same rows, they are also TRUE for all the same rows. Hence they are equivalent.

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3. (25 points – 5 points each) For each of the following statements write the negation without using any negations signs.

(a)  $x \leq 4$

(b)  $1 < x < 2$

(c)  $x_1 < x_2 < \cdots < x_n$

(d)  $x \leq 5$  OR  $x \geq 10$

(e)  $x \leq 5$  AND  $x \geq 10$

**SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 3**

a)  $x > 4$ .

b)  $x \leq 1$  OR  $x \geq 2$ .

c) This can be rewritten as

$$\bigwedge_{1 \leq i \leq n-1} x_i < x_{i+1}$$

So its negation is

$$\bigvee_{1 \leq i \leq n-1} x_{i+1} \leq x_i$$

d)  $1 < x < 10$ . Also a fine answer:  $1 < x$  AND  $x < 10$ .

e)  $x > 5$  OR  $x < 10$ . This one is a bit odd since the original statement can never happen. But the negation of something that can't happen is something that can happen.

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4. (25 points) Look up the lyrics to the song *If this isn't love* from the musical Finian's Rainbow. (You might also want to listen to it on YouTube.) Assume the song is true. For each simple proposition in the song assign a letter (try to make it mnemonic). For example

$L$  is *This is Love*

so

$\neg L$  is *This isn't Love*

and

$W$  is *the whole world is crazy*

Write down a proposition that expresses what happens if this isn't love. It will start:

$$\neg L \Rightarrow (W \wedge \text{other stuff}).$$

(Note- one of the parts of the sentence doesn't make sense to me, we'll discuss later.)

#### **SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 4**

$L$  is *this is love*

$W$  is *the whole world is crazy*

$D$  is *I'm daft as a daisy*

$A$  is *Something is a-miss*

$H$  is *I'll eat my hat*

$S$  is *Winter is Summer*

$P$  is *My heart needs a plumber*

$K$  is *I'll kiss your hand*

$$\neg L \Rightarrow (W \wedge D \wedge A \wedge H \wedge S \wedge P \wedge K)$$

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The last part,

$$\neg L \Rightarrow K$$

seems odd to me since the singer is saying

*If what I feel is NOT love then I'll kiss your hand.*

Really? Um, the singer might get his face slapped with that hand ze just kissed!

(The word *ze* is a genderless pronoun. Appropriate here since both males, females, and nonbinaries have all sung the song.)

Also note: There are longer versions out there, including

*If this isn't love, there's no Glocca Morra.*

Glocca Mora is a town in Ireland. The Musical is about Irish Immigrants who want to come to America and bury gold near Fort Knox to get more gold. They stole the gold from a Leprechaun. Doesn't make a whole lot of sense. But the music is good! And there is also some very strong (for its day, 1947 debut) anti-racism stuff in it. Still, odd to have a strong and good social message in a musical that otherwise is about magic and Leprechauns.