ECE 198JL Third Midterm Exam
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Discussion Section:

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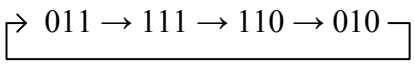
- **Be sure your exam booklet has 10 pages.**
- **Write your name and lab section on the first page.**
- **Do not tear the exam booklet apart; you may only detach the last page.**
- **We have provided a scratch sheet as the last page. If you need more, you may use the backs of pages.**
- **This is a closed book exam. You may not use a calculator.**
- **You are allowed one handwritten 8.5 x 11" sheet of notes.**
- **Absolutely no interaction between students is allowed.**
- **Clearly indicate any assumptions that you make.**
- **The questions are not weighted equally. Budget your time accordingly.**
- **Don't panic, and good luck!**

Problem 1	15 points:	_____
Problem 2	10 points:	_____
Problem 3	20 points:	_____
Problem 4	30 points:	_____
Problem 5	15 points:	_____
Problem 6	10 points:	_____
Total	100 points:	_____

Problem 1 (15 points): Synchronous Counter

In this problem, you must design a 3-bit synchronous counter that counts in the sequence shown below.



1. **(8 points)** The current state of the counter is denoted $S_2S_1S_0$. Fill in the K-maps for S_2^+, S_1^+, and S_0^+, using don't cares when possible.

S_2^+

S_0 \ S_2S_1	00	01	11	10
0				
1				

S_1^+

S_0 \ S_2S_1	00	01	11	10
0				
1				

S_0^+

S_0 \ S_2S_1	00	01	11	10
0				
1				

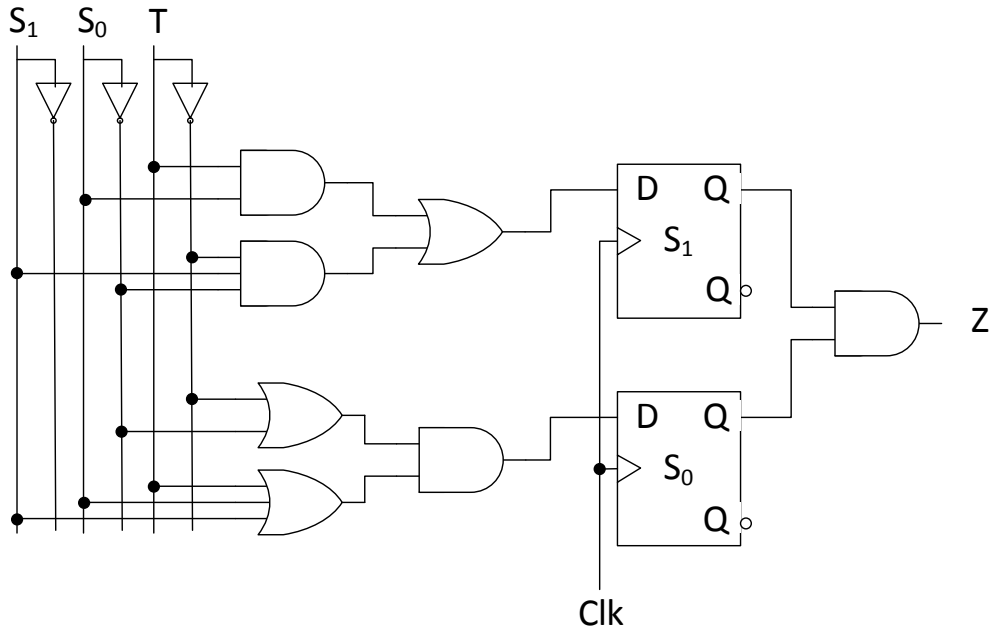
2. **(3 points)** Write minimal SOP Boolean expressions for S_2^+, S_1^+, and S_0^+. Use the area heuristic discussed in class (number of literals + number of operations) to minimize your expressions.

$S_2^+ =$ _____ ; $S_1^+ =$ _____ ; $S_0^+ =$ _____

3. **(4 points)** Does the counter always converge to the desired sequence, regardless of its initial state? Explain - and be specific to *your solution*.

Problem 2 (10 points): FSM Next-State Analysis

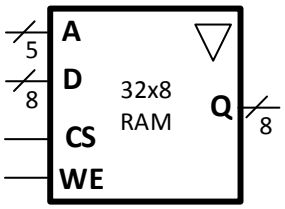
Shown below is an implementation of an FSM with input T and output Z. Complete the next-state table below.



S_1	S_0	T	S_1^+	S_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		

Problem 3 (20 points): Memory

Your lab partner wants to build a 64×16-bit RAM using 32×8-bit RAM chips (shown to the right). As indicated in the figure, the output Q of the 32×8 RAM chips is gated with tri-state buffers, so more than one chip's output can be connected together safely provided that only one of the connected chips has CS=1 (chip select).



You have the four 32×8-bit chips that you need, but you only have a 2-to-4 decoder with enable. Your 64×16-bit RAM must have external signals Address, DataIn, DataOut, ChipSelect, and WriteEnable.

1. **(5 points)** How many bits wide should each external signal for 64×16-bit RAM be?

Address _____ DataIn _____ DataOut _____

ChipSelect _____ WriteEnable _____

2. **(15 points)** Indicate which external signals or decoder outputs should be connected to each of the component signals to implement your 64×16-bit RAM. Decoder outputs are named D0, D1, D2, and D3. Be sure to indicate which bits of a signal must be connected (for example, Address[3:0] or DataIn[12:5]) if the signal has more than one bit.

2-to-4 Decoder

Select1 _____
Select0 _____
Enable _____

32×8 RAM Chip 1

A _____
D _____
CS _____
WE _____
Q _____

32×8 RAM Chip 2

A _____
D _____
CS _____
WE _____
Q _____

32×8 RAM Chip 3

A _____
D _____
CS _____
WE _____
Q _____

32×8 RAM Chip 4

A _____
D _____
CS _____
WE _____
Q _____

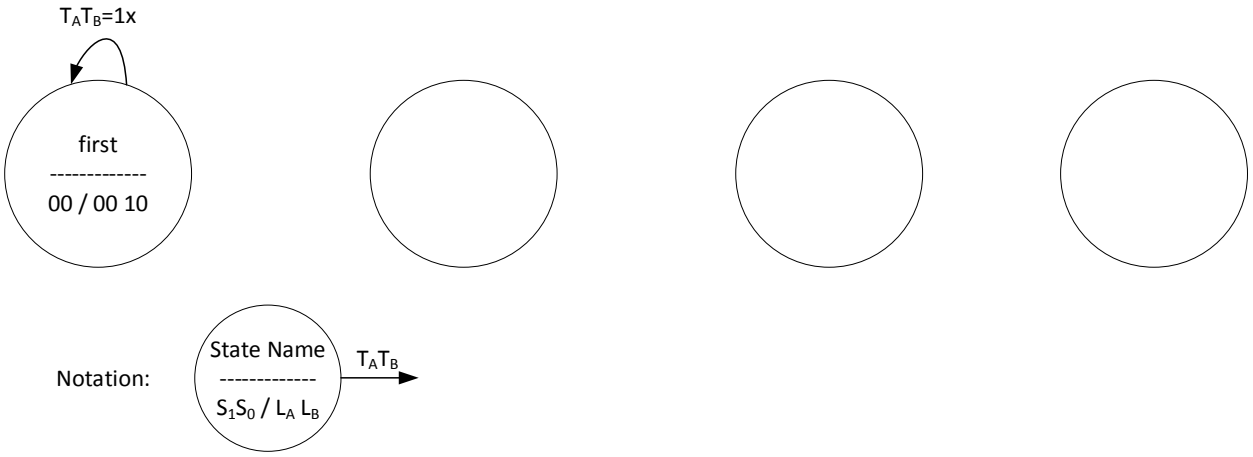
Problem 4 (30 points): FSM Analysis, Implementation, and Extension

The FSM described here controls two traffic lights at the intersection of roads A and B. FSM inputs are supplied by two traffic sensors, T_A and T_B, which are high (1) when traffic is detected on the corresponding road. FSM outputs are light signals L_A and L_B that control the intersection light according to the table show to the right. The next-state table is shown below.

Light	**L encoding**
Green	00
Yellow	01
Red	10

Current State		Input signals		Next state		Outputs for the current state	
S_1	S_0	T_A	T_B	S_1^+	S_0^+	$L_A[1:0]$	$L_B[1:0]$
0	0	0	x	0	1	Green	Red
0	0	1	x	0	0		
0	1	x	x	1	0	Yellow	Red
1	0	x	0	1	1	Red	Green
1	0	x	1	1	0		
1	1	x	x	0	0	Red	Yellow

1. (9 points) Draw a state transition diagram for the FSM, labeling states and arcs as shown.



2. (8 points) Write minimal SOP Boolean expressions for next-state and output logic. Use the area heuristic discussed in class (number of literals + number of operations) to minimize your expressions.

S_1^+ = _____

S_0^+ = _____

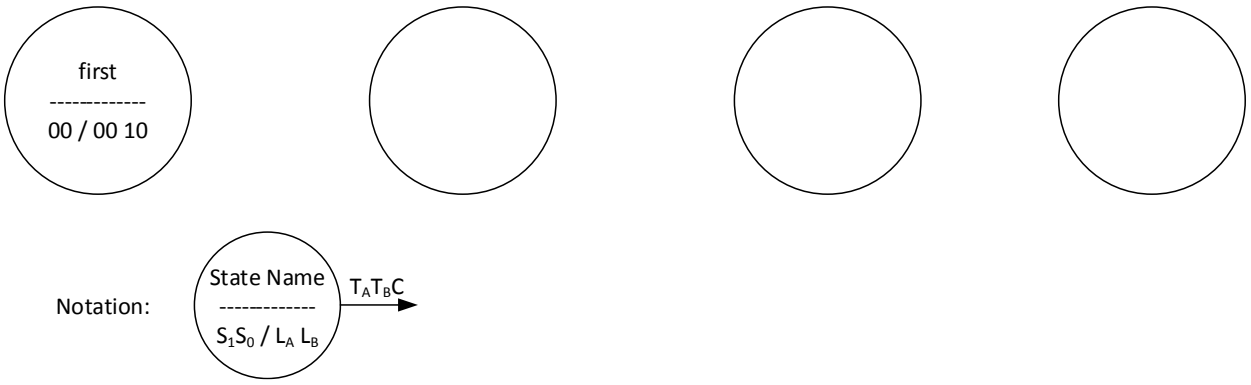
$L_A[1]$= _____ $L_A[0]$= _____

$L_B[1]$= _____ $L_B[0]$= _____

Problem 4, continued:

3. (6 points) Citizens complain that the traffic lights take too long to change during times of heavy traffic. Your boss instructs you to add a counter and make the green lights time out on both roads, even if traffic continues to arrive.

After being reset and counting to the appropriate timeout value, the counter that you must use produces a signal C=1. Redraw your state transition diagram from **Part 1** below and modify it to include this signal.



4. (4 points) Write updated expressions for the next-state logic.

$S_1^+ =$ _____

$S_0^+ =$ _____

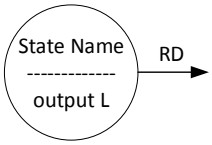
5. (3 points) Write a Boolean expression for the signal that should be used to reset the counter.

Problem 5 (15 points): FSM Design with Components

You are charged with designing an FSM as part of a soda vending machine. The vending machine can hold up to three cans of soda. There are two inputs to the FSM: R (refill), which is asserted when the machine is refilled with a new can of soda (one can at a time), and D (dispense), which is asserted when a can of soda is dispensed by the machine (one can at a time as well). The machine can be refilled in the same cycle in which it dispenses. Your FSM must keep track of the number of cans of soda in the machine and must produce an output L (to control a light) that signals when the vending machine is out of soda (0 cans). Design an FSM to control the light.

The machine cannot hold -1 cans, so your FSM should stay in the same state if an input combination indicates -1 cans. Treat an input combination indicating that the machine contains 4 cans analogously.

1. **(8 points)** Draw the FSM diagram below using the notation shown below for each state. Choose meaningful state names.



Problem 5, continued: (problem statement repeated for your convenience)

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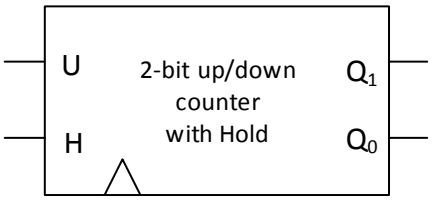
2. **(7 points)** Write the Boolean expressions needed to implement an FSM to control the light L using a 2-bit up-down counter. The counter operates as follows. When H=0, the counter holds its current value Q_1Q_0. When H=1, the counter counts either up by 1 (when U=1) or down by 1 (when U=0).



Write the three expressions below using **minimum POS form**. *Expressions in other forms will not receive credit.* Use the area heuristic discussed in class (number of literals + number of operations) to minimize your expressions.

U = _____

H = _____

L = _____

Problem 6 (10 points): von Neumann Model

For each question, ***circle exactly one answer****.*

Which of the following manages instruction processing in the von Neumann model?

control unit ALU MDR PC IR MAR

Which of the following contains the instruction currently being executed by the computer?

control unit ALU MDR PC IR MAR

In the von Neumann model, the control unit **does not** include

states bits FSM PC IR MAR

In the von Neumann model, the memory interface includes which of the following?

IR MDR PC ALU FSM

How are instructions represented in a computer based on the von Neumann model?

opcodes bits I/O control unit hexadecimal

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