



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

## **REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

### **SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND INFORMATION SCIENCES UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMPUTER SCIENCE)**

#### **COURSE CODE: COM1208 COURSE TITLE: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS**

**DATE: 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY 2018                      TIME: 8:30AM-10:30AM**

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- Answer Question ONE and any other TWO
- Use of sketch diagrams where necessary and brief illustrations are encouraged.
- Read the instructions on the answer booklet keenly and adhere to them.

**This paper consists of 4\_ printed pages.**

**SECTION ONE.**  
**QUESTION ONE: [30 marks]**  
**COMPULSORY**

- a) Explain the term logic gate. **[1 mark]**
- b) Explain the following terms in digital logic.
- (i) Canonical form of Boolean Algebra **[2 marks]**
  - (ii) Literal **[2 marks]**
  - (iii) MAX term **[2 marks]**
  - (iv) MIN term **[2 marks]**
- c) Represent the function  $Z = f(A, B, C) = A\bar{B} + \bar{A}C + \bar{A}\bar{B}C$  in a truth table and simplify it. **[5 marks]**
- d) (i) Explain what you understand by term 'Flip-Flop' **[3 marks]**
- (ii) Design a Master-Slave Flip-Flop **[5 marks]**
- e) Outline two applications of multiplexers in our day to day technological use. **[4 marks]**
- f) Minimize the Boolean function  $f(A, B, C) = \bar{A}\bar{B}\bar{C} + A\bar{B}\bar{C} + ABC = \sum(0, 2, 4, 6)$  using K-map **[4 marks]**

**SECTION TWO.**

**ATTEMPT ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION**

**QUESTION TWO: [20 marks]**

- a) Describe briefly a multiplexer **[3marks]**
- b) Design a multiplexer with 8 data inputs and explain its working. **[9 marks]**
- c) Convert  $111011.011_2$  into an equivalent hexadecimal number. **[2 marks]**
- d) Subtract  $(1100)_2$  from  $(1001)_2$  using the 1's complement method. **[2 marks]**
- e) Convert  $(367)_{10}$  into its Excess-3 code. **[2 marks]**
- f) Convert  $(101011)_2$  into Gray code. **[2 marks]**

**QUESTION THREE: [20 marks]**

- a) What is Boolean Algebra **[3 marks]**
- b) For the following truth table, implement the logic function using gates. **[7 marks]**

Truth Table			
X	Y	Z	
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1

- c) Simplify the expression  $F(A, B, C) = \sum(1, 4, 5, 6, 7)$  and implement it using NAND and NOR GATES only. **[10 marks]**

**QUESTION FOUR: [20 marks]**

- a) State the de Morgan's theorems **[4 marks]**
- b) Implement the expression  $\overline{\overline{A+BC}+\overline{AB}}$  **[6 marks]**
- c) Reduce the expression  $\overline{\overline{A+BC}+\overline{AB}}$  using the identities, properties, rules, and theorems (DeMorgan's) of Boolean algebra and implement the reduced expression. **[4 marks]**
- d) Explain THREE advantages of the reduced expression over the former. **[6 marks]**

End and Good Luck.