



(University of Choice)

**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
(MMUST)**

MAIN CAMPUS

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR**

THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**FOR THE DEGREE
OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL
AND
COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING**

COURSE CODE: ECE 316

COURSE TITLE: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS I

DATE: 5TH DECEMBER, 2022 TIME: 3: 00 PM – 5:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS.
QUESTION ONE CARRIES 30 MARKS AND ALL OTHERS 20 MARKS EACH.

TIME: 2 Hours

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

This Paper Consists of 4 Printed Pages. Please Turn Over.

QUESTION 1

1a) Perform the following operations:

- i. Write the decimal number 369_{10} into BCD code (1mk)
- ii. Convert the hexadecimal number F8E6 to corresponding decimal number. (1½mks)
- iii. Encode the following number into 8421 BCD number 584. (1mk)

b) Explain the advantages of the octal number system. (4mks)

c) Give any three differences between combinational logic circuits and sequential circuits (3mks)

d) A committee of three individuals decide issues for an organization. Each individual votes either yes or no for each proposal that arises. A proposal is passed if it receives at least two yes votes. Design a circuit that determines whether a proposal passes. (6mks)

e) State any four applications of logic gates. (4mks)

f) Using the truth table, prove that $A+AB'=A+B$ and illustrate the equivalence with the help of a switching circuit. (4mks)

g) Design a circuit of 5 input variables that generate output 1 if and only if the number of 1's in the input is prime. (5½mks)

QUESTION 2

2a) Explain what is meant by the term register. (1½mks)

b) Using four flip flops. Explain the operation of parallel input parallel output (PIPO) register. (8mks)

c) A panel light in the control room at the launching of a satellite is to go ON if and only if the pressure in both fuel and oxidizer tanks is equal to or above the required minimum and there are 10 minutes or less to lift off, or if the pressure in the oxidizer tank is equal to or above required minimum and the pressure in fuel tank is below a required minimum but there are more than 10 minutes to lift off, or if the pressure in the oxidizer tank is below a required minimum but there are more than 10 minutes to lift off. Design a two level gate combinational circuit to control panel light. (10½mks)

QUESTION 3

3a) Simplify the following expressions.

- i. $(AB+C)(AB+D)$ (2mks)
- ii. $ABC'+AB'C'+A'BC+ABC+AB'C.$ (2mks)

b) Draw the truth table and logic circuit of half subtractor.

(5mks)

c) Two electrical signals represented by $A=101101$ and $B=110101$ are applied to a 2 input AND gate .sketch the output signal and binary number it represents. (3mks)

d) Using a bank circuit of NAND gate. Explain the operation of Transistor Logic circuit.

(TTL).

(6mks)

e) Explain what is meant by the term noise immunity as it's applied to logic families. (2mks)

QUESTION 4

4. Explain the operation of 2bit ripple up counter that utilizes toggle flip flop.

(20mks)

QUESTION 5

5a) Draw the D type flip flop circuit and explain how it overcomes the main disadvantages of the basic SR NAND gate Bistable circuit. (5mks)

b) Using a well labeled diagram and waveforms. Explain how a D type flipflop can be used as a divide by 2 counter. (5mks)

c)(i) State any three applications of a multiplexer.

(3mks)

ii. Design 4×1 multiplexer (include truth table, block diagram and logic diagram)

(7mks)

