

Chapter 10

BOOLEAN LOGIC

Content overview

Candidates study the following topics:

Computer systems

1. Data representation
2. Data transmission
3. Hardware
4. Software
5. The internet and its uses
6. Automated and emerging technologies

Algorithms, programming and logic

7. Algorithm design and problem-solving
8. Programming
9. Databases
10. Boolean logic

In this chapter you will learn about:

1. the identification, definition, symbols and functions of the standard logic gates:

NOT, AND, OR, NAND, NOR and XOR

2. how to use logic gates to create logic circuits from:

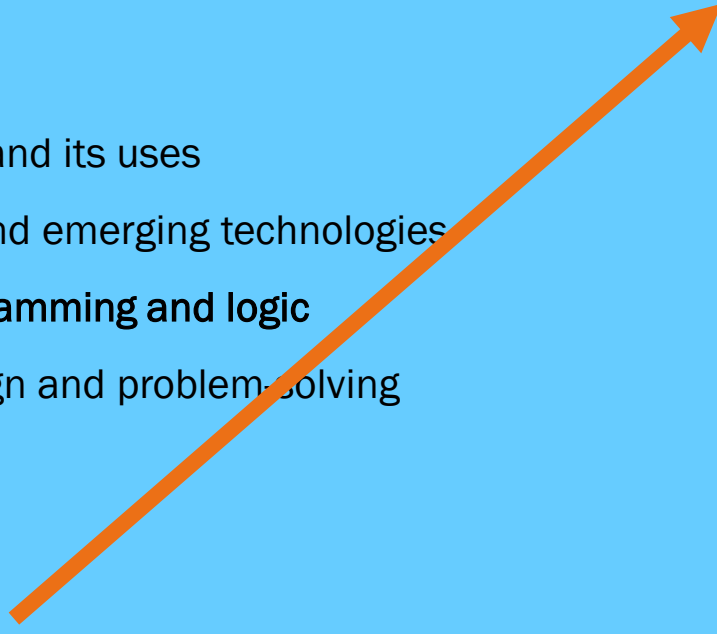
- a given problem
- a logic expression
- a truth table

3. how to complete truth tables from:

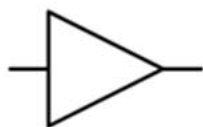
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4. how to write a logic expression from:

- a given problem
- a logic circuit
- a truth table.

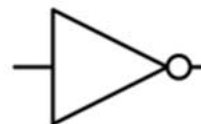


Buffer



Input	Output
0	0
1	1

Inverter



Input	Output
0	1
1	0

AND



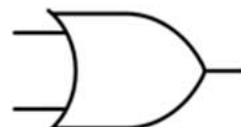
A	B	Output
0	0	0
1	0	0
0	1	0
1	1	1

NAND



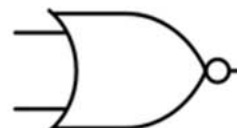
A	B	Output
0	0	1
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	0

OR



A	B	Output
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	1

NOR



A	B	Output
0	0	1
1	0	0
0	1	0
1	1	0

XOR



A	B	Output
0	0	0
1	0	1
0	1	1
1	1	0

XNOR



A	B	Output
0	0	1
1	0	0
0	1	0
1	1	1



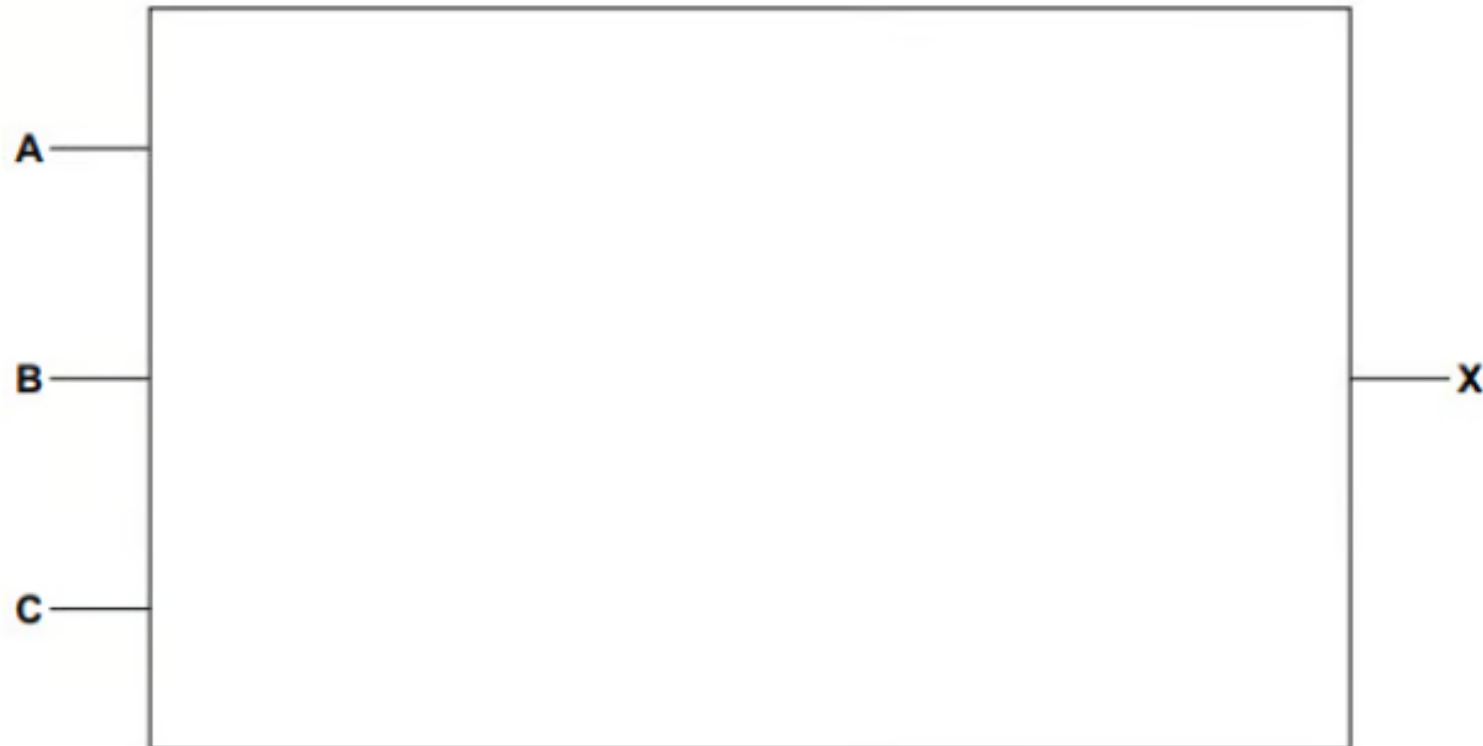
Consider this logic expression.

$$X = (A \text{ AND } B) \text{ OR } (B \text{ AND NOT } C)$$

Draw a logic circuit for this logic expression.

Each logic gate must have a maximum of **two** inputs.

Do **not** simplify this logic expression.



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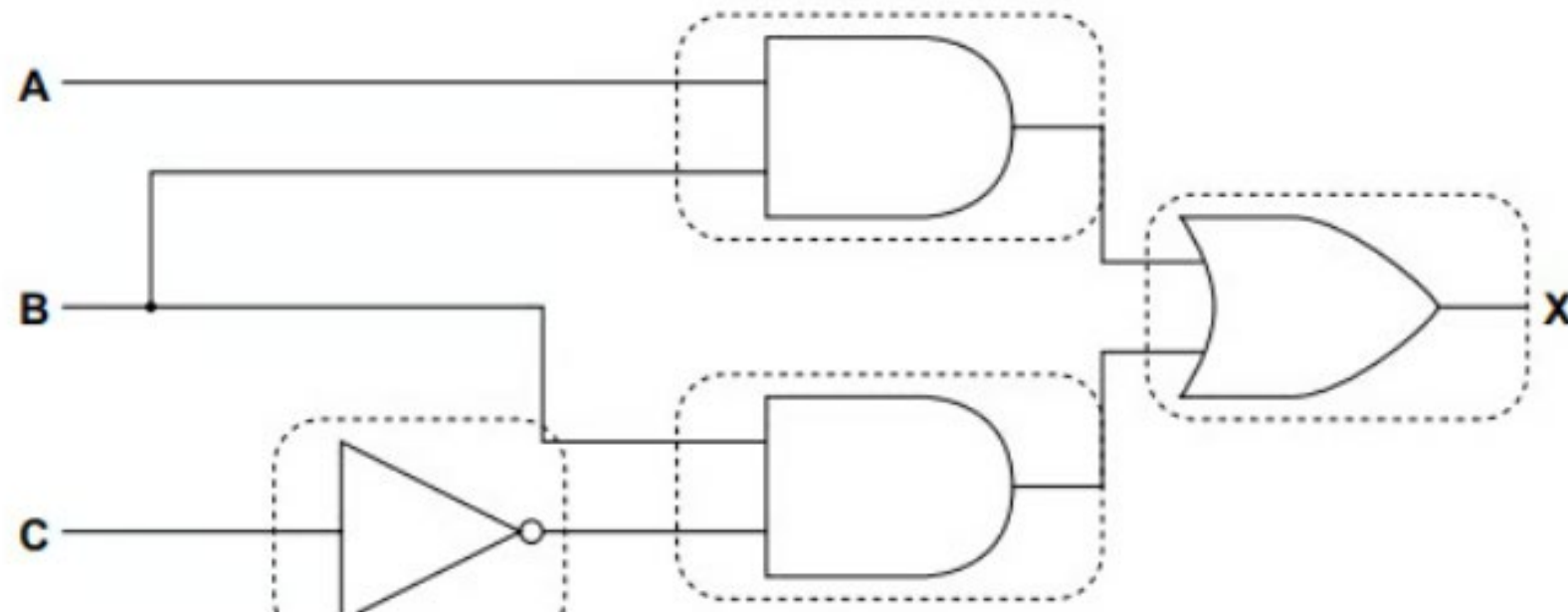
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The completed logic circuit would be:



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Complete the truth table from the given logic expression.

A	B	C	Working space	X
0	0	0		
0	0	1		
0	1	0		
0	1	1		
1	0	0		
1	0	1		
1	1	0		
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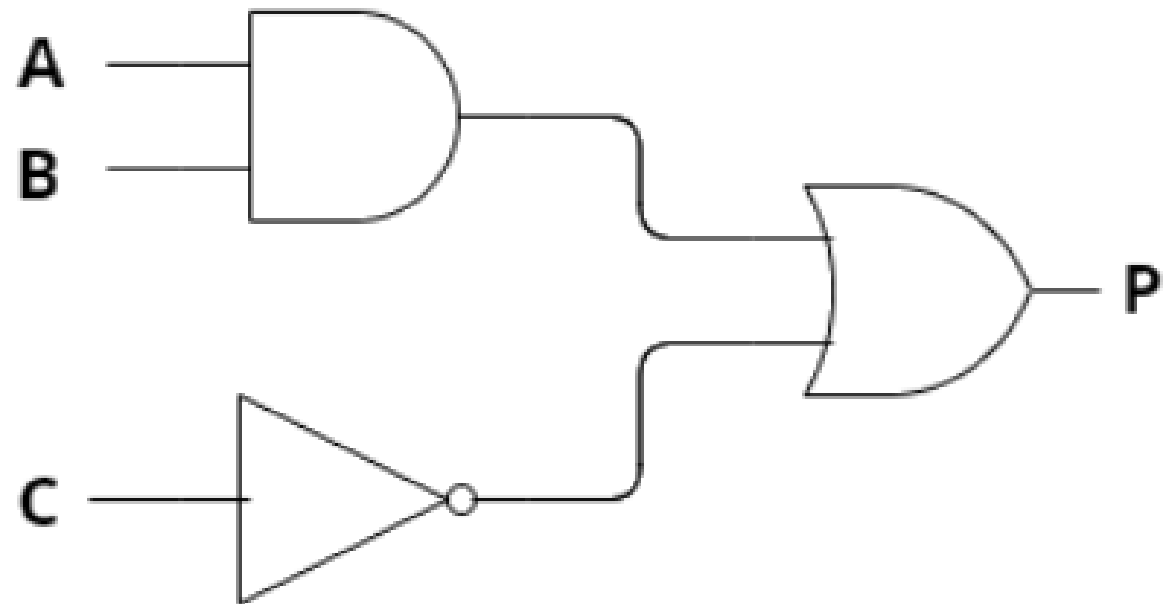
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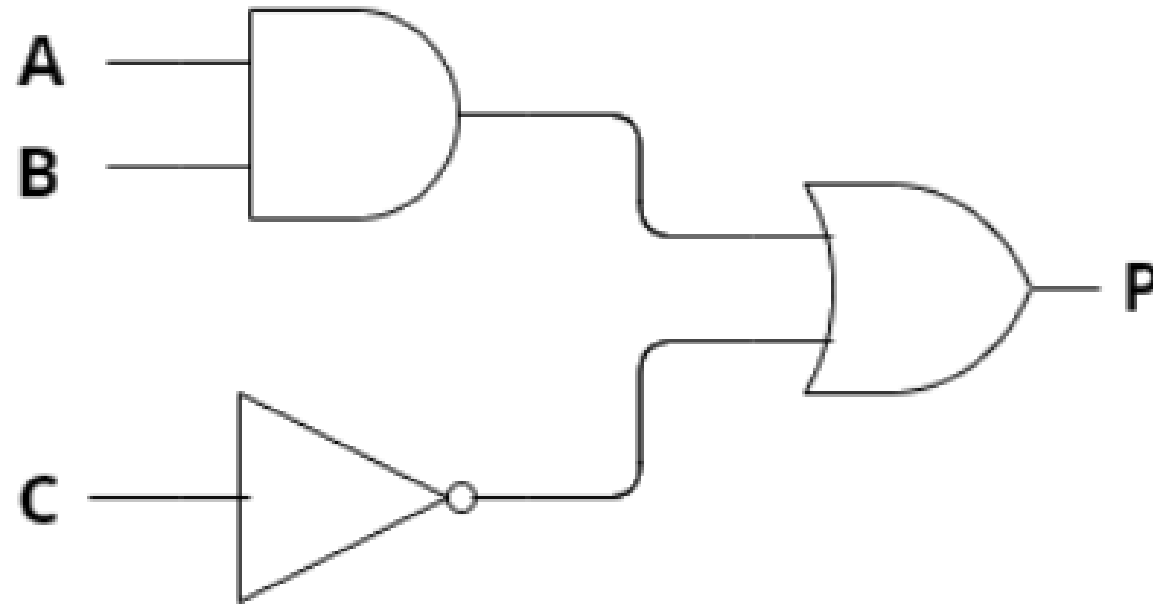
A	B	C	X
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	1



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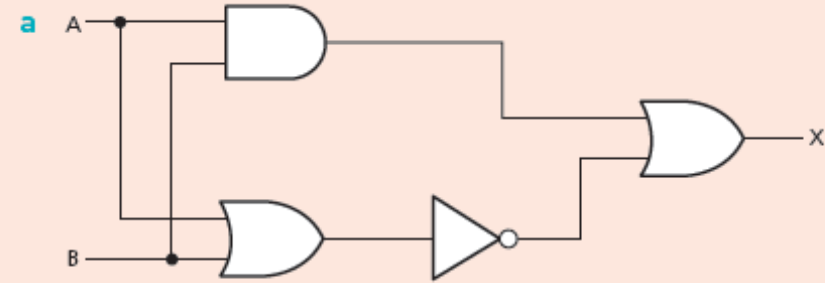
The Boolean expression for the logic diagram can be expressed as:

- $P = (A \text{ AND } B) \text{ OR } (\text{NOT } C)$ **OR** $P = (A \wedge B) \vee (\neg C)$
- $(A \text{ AND } B)$ [1 mark]
- $(\text{NOT } C)$ [1 mark]
- $(A \text{ AND } B) \text{ OR } (\text{NOT } C)$ [1 mark]

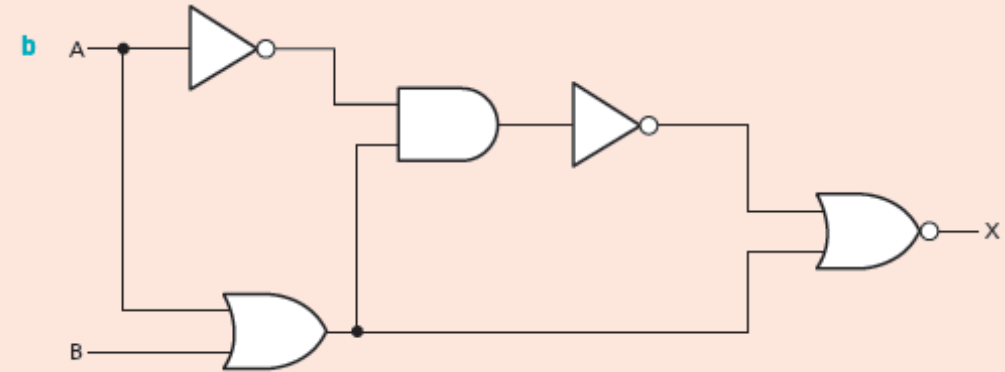
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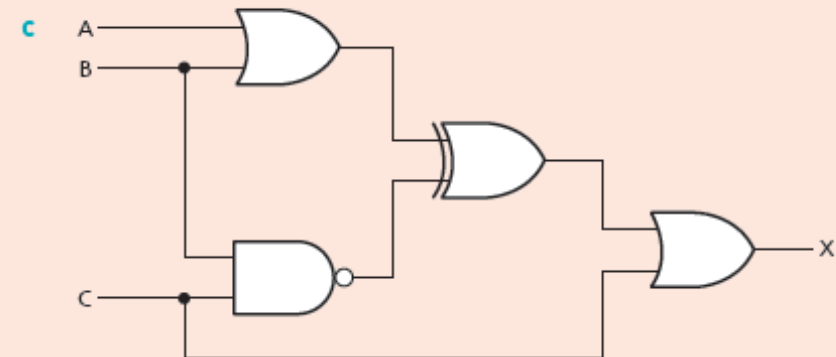
1 Produce truth tables from the following logic circuits:



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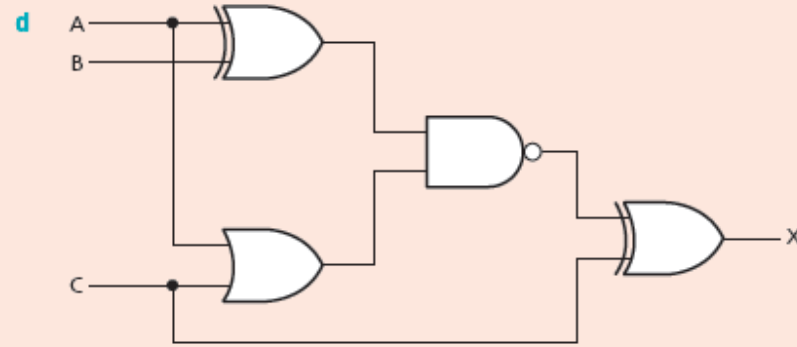


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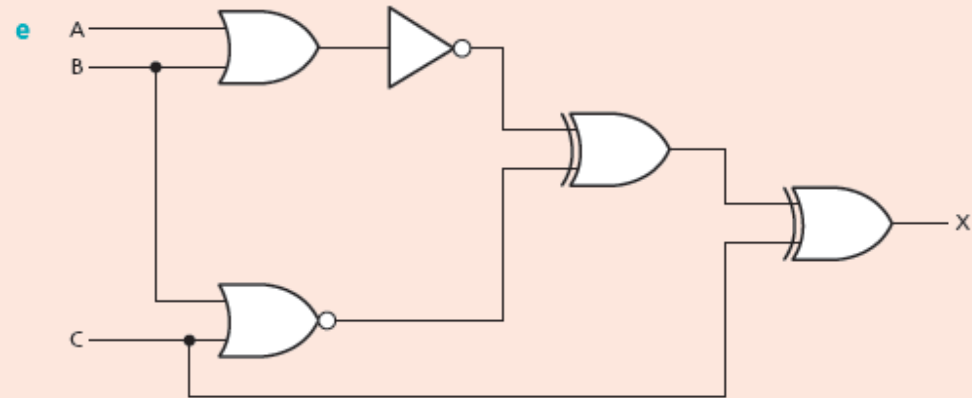


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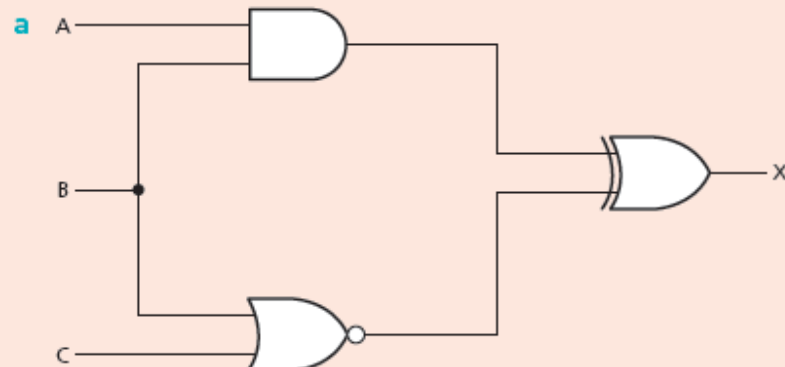


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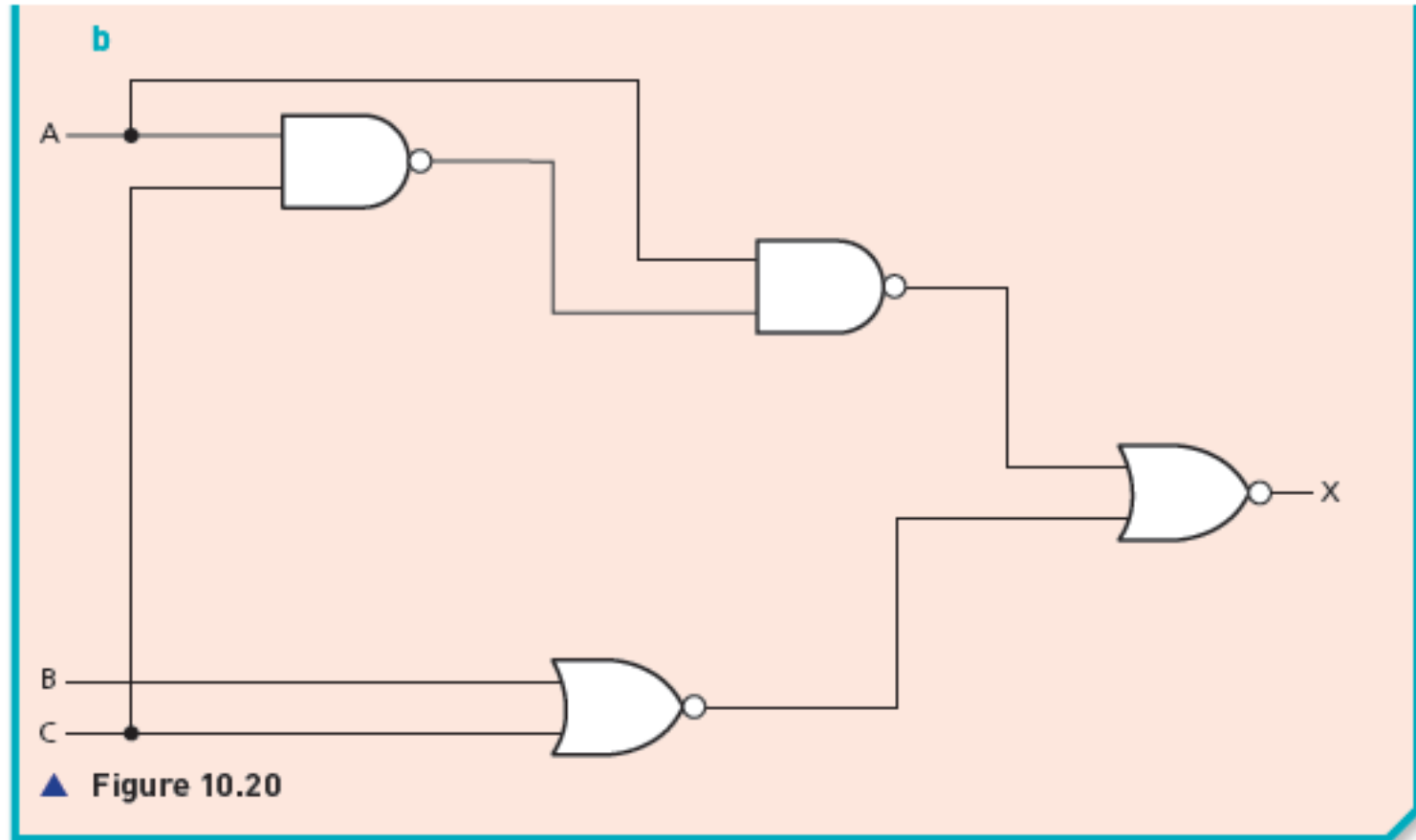
▲ Figure 10.18

2 Write logic expressions for the following logic circuits:



▲ Figure 10.19

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Activity 10.3

1 Produce:

- i a truth table
- ii a logic circuit

from the following logic expression:

$(\text{NOT } A \text{ AND } B) \text{ AND } (\text{NOT } B \text{ OR } C)$

2 Produce:

- i a truth table
- ii a logic circuit

from the following logic expression:

$(A \text{ XOR } B) \text{ OR } ((B \text{ NOR } C) \text{ AND } B)$

A	B	X
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1

3 Produce:

- i a logic expression
- ii a logic circuit

from the following truth table:

a

A	B	C	X
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

b

A	B	C	X
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

5 a Write down a logic expression corresponding to the following truth table:

A	B	C	X
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0

b Show that the following logic expression produces the same output as your answer to part a above:

$(\text{NOT } A \text{ AND NOT } B) \text{ OR } (A \text{ AND NOT } B)$

Sources

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