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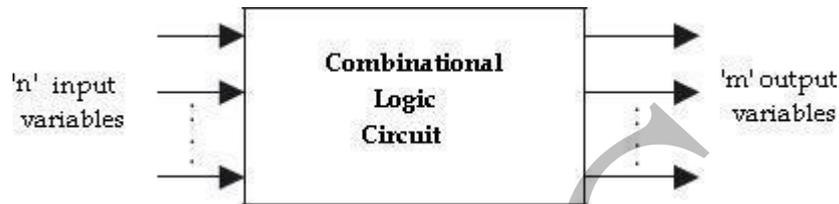
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### INTRODUCTION

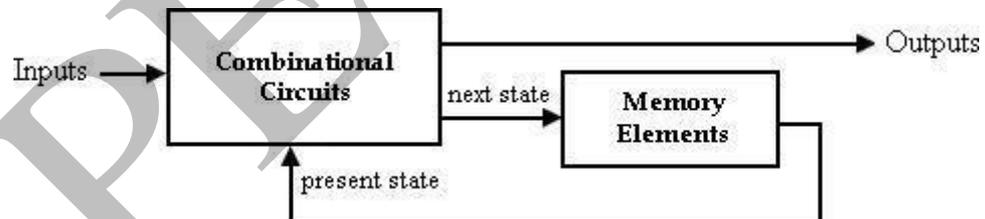
In *combinational logic circuits*, the outputs at any instant of time depend only on the input signals present at that time. For a change in input, the output occurs immediately.



Combinational Circuit- Block Diagram

In *sequential logic circuits*, it consists of combinational circuits to which storage elements are connected to form a feedback path. The storage elements are devices capable of storing binary information either 1 or 0.

The information stored in the memory elements at any given time defines the present state of the sequential circuit. The present state and the external circuit determine the output and the next state of sequential circuits.



Sequential Circuit- Block Diagram

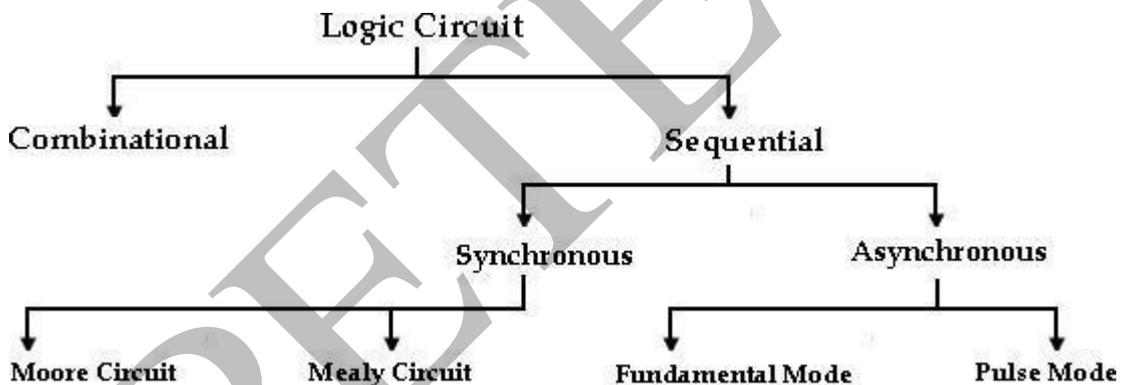
Thus in sequential circuits, the output variables depend not only on the present input variables but also on the past history of input variables.

The rotary channel selected knob on an old-fashioned TV is like a combinational. Its output selects a channel based only on its current input – the position of the knob. The channel-up and channel-down push buttons on a TV is like a sequential circuit. The channel selection depends on the past sequence of up/down pushes.

The comparison between combinational and sequential circuits is given in table below.

S.No	Combinational logic	Sequential logic
1	The output variable, at all times depends on the combination of input variables.	The output variable depends not only on the present input but also depend upon the past history of inputs.
2	Memory unit is not required	Memory unit is required to store the past history of input variables.
3	Faster in speed	Slower than combinational circuits.
4	Easy to design	Comparatively harder to design.
5	Eg. Parallel adder	Eg. Serial adder

### 3.2 Classification of Logic Circuits



The sequential circuits can be classified depending on the timing of their signals:

- Synchronous sequential circuits
- Asynchronous sequential circuits.

In synchronous sequential circuits, signals can affect the memory elements only at discrete instants of time. In asynchronous sequential circuits change in input signals can affect memory element at any instant of time. The memory elements used in both circuits are Flip-Flops, which are capable of storing 1-bit information.

S.No	Synchronous sequential circuits	Asynchronous sequential circuits
1	Memory elements are clocked Flip-Flops	Memory elements are either unclocked Flip-Flops or time delay elements.
2	The change in input signals can affect memory element upon activation of clock signal.	The change in input signals can affect memory element at any instant of time.
3	The maximum operating speed of clock depends on time delays involved.	Because of the absence of clock, it can operate faster than synchronous circuits.
4	Easier to design	More difficult to design

### 3.3 LATCHES:

Latches and Flip-Flops are the basic building blocks of the most sequential circuits. Latches are used for a sequential device that checks all of its inputs continuously and changes its outputs accordingly at any time independent of clocking signal. Enable signal is provided with the latch. When enable signal is active output changes occur as the input changes. But when enable signal is not activated input changes do not affect the output.

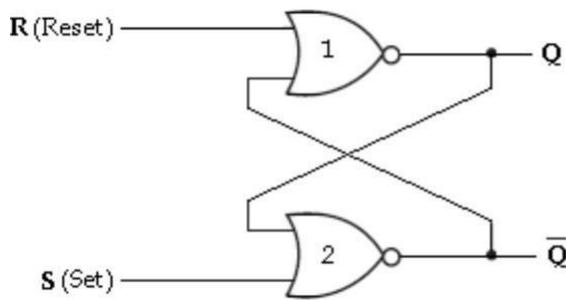
Flip-Flop is used for a sequential device that normally samples its inputs and changes its outputs only at times determined by clocking signal.

#### 3.3.1 SR Latch:

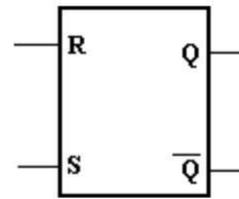
The simplest type of latch is the set-reset (SR) latch. It can be constructed from either two NOR gates or two NAND gates.

##### SR latch using NOR gates:

The two NOR gates are cross-coupled so that the output of NOR gate 1 is connected to one of the inputs of NOR gate 2 and vice versa. The latch has two outputs Q and Q' and two inputs, set and reset.



**SR latch using NOR gates**



**Logic Symbol**

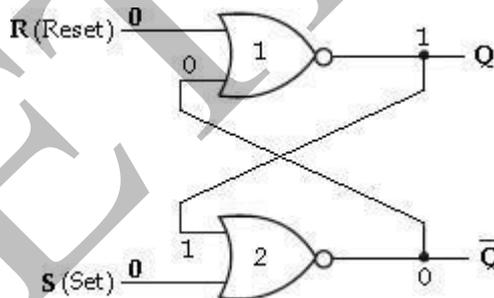
Before going to analyse the SR latch, we recall that a logic 1 at any input of a NOR gate forces its output to a logic 0. Let us understand the operation of this circuit for various input/ output possibilities.

**Case 1: S= 0 and R= 0**

Initially, Q= 1 and Q'= 0

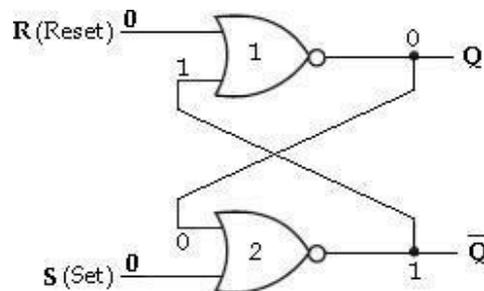
Let us assume that initially Q=1 and Q'=0. With Q'=0, both inputs to NOR gate 1 are at logic 0. So, its output, Q is at logic 1. With Q=1, one input of NOR gate 2 is at logic

1. Hence its output, Q' is at logic 0. This shows that when S and R both are low, the output does not change.



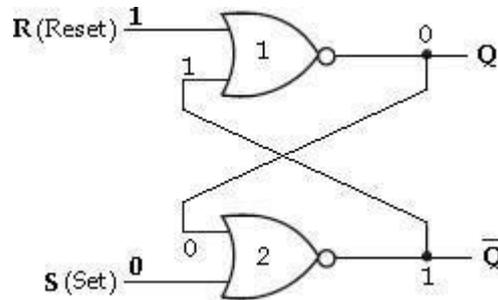
Initially, Q= 0 and Q'= 1

With Q'=1, one input of NOR gate 1 is at logic 1, hence its output, Q is at logic 0. With Q=0, both inputs to NOR gate 2 are at logic 0. So, its output Q' is at logic 1. In this case also there is no change in the output state.



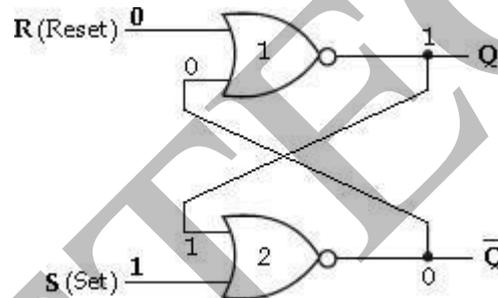
### Case 2: S= 0 and R= 1

In this case, R input of the NOR gate 1 is at logic 1, hence its output, Q is at logic 0. Both inputs to NOR gate 2 are now at logic 0. So that its output, Q' is at logic 1.



### Case 3: S= 1 and R= 0

In this case, S input of the NOR gate 2 is at logic 1, hence its output, Q is at logic 0. Both inputs to NOR gate 1 are now at logic 0. So that its output, Q' is at logic 1.



### Case 4: S= 1 and R= 1

When R and S both are at logic 1, they force the outputs of both NOR gates to the low state, i.e., (Q=0 and Q'=0). So, we call this an indeterminate or prohibited state, and represent this condition in the truth table as an asterisk (\*). This condition also violates the basic definition of a latch that requires Q to be complement of Q'. Thus in normal operation this condition must be avoided by making sure that 1's are not applied to both the inputs simultaneously.

We can summarize the operation of SR latch as follows:

- When S= 0 and R= 0, the output,  $Q_{n+1}$  remains in its present state,  $Q_n$ .
- When S= 0 and R= 1, the latch is reset to 0.
- When S= 1 and R= 0, the latch is set to 1.
- When S= 1 and R= 1, the output of both gates will produce 0.

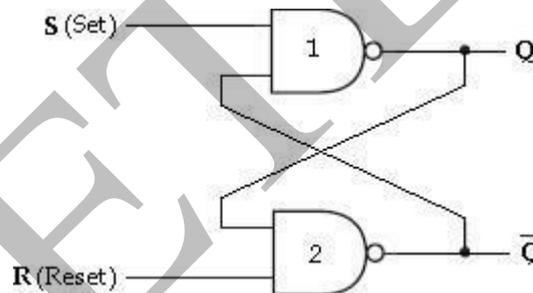
$$\text{i.e., } Q_{n+1} = Q_{n+1}' = 0.$$

The truth table of NOR based SR latch is shown below.

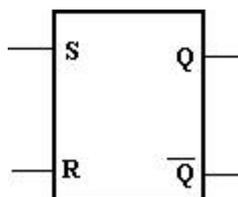
S	R	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	State
0	0	0	0	No Change (NC)
0	0	1	1	
0	1	0	0	Reset
0	1	1	0	
1	0	0	1	Set
1	0	1	1	
1	1	0	x	Indeterminate
1	1	1	x	

### SR latch using NAND gates:

The SR latch can also be implemented using NAND gates. The inputs of this Latch are S and R. To understand how this circuit functions, recall that a low on any input to a NAND gate forces its output high.



SR latch using NAND gates



Logic Symbol

We can summarize the operation of SR latch as follows:

- When  $S=0$  and  $R=0$ , the output of both gates will produce 0.  
i.e.,  $Q_{n+1}=Q_n=0$ .
- When  $S=0$  and  $R=1$ , the latch is reset to 0.
- When  $S=1$  and  $R=0$ , the latch is set to 1.
- When  $S=1$  and  $R=1$ , the output,  $Q_{n+1}$  remains in its present state,  $Q_n$ .

The truth table of NAND based SR latch is shown below.

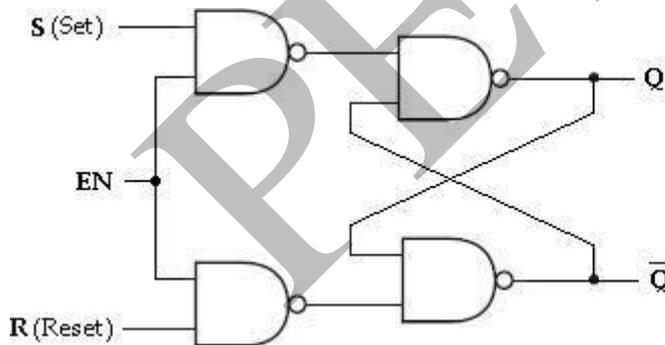
S	R	Q <sub>n</sub>	Q <sub>n+1</sub>	State
0	0	0	x	Indeterminate
0	0	1	x	*
0	1	0	1	Set
0	1	1	1	
1	0	0	0	Reset
1	0	1	0	
1	1	0	0	No Change (NC)
1	1	1	1	

### Gated SR Latch:

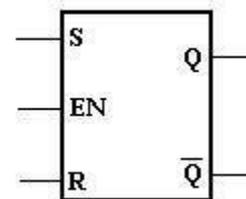
In the SR latch, the output changes occur immediately after the input changes i.e, the latch is sensitive to its S and R inputs all the time.

A latch that is sensitive to the inputs only when an enable input is active. Such a latch with enable input is known as gated SR latch.

- The circuit behaves like SR latch when EN= 1. It retains its previous state when EN= 0



**SR Latch with enable input using NAND gates**



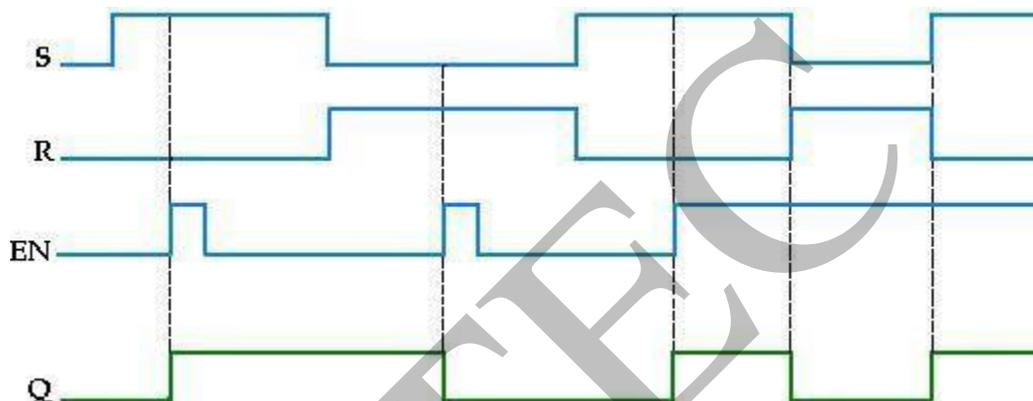
**Logic Symbol**

The truth table of gated SR latch is show below.

EN	S	R	Q <sub>n</sub>	Q <sub>n+1</sub>	State
1	0	0	0	0	No Change (NC)
1	0	0	1	1	
1	0	1	0	0	Reset
1	0	1	1	0	

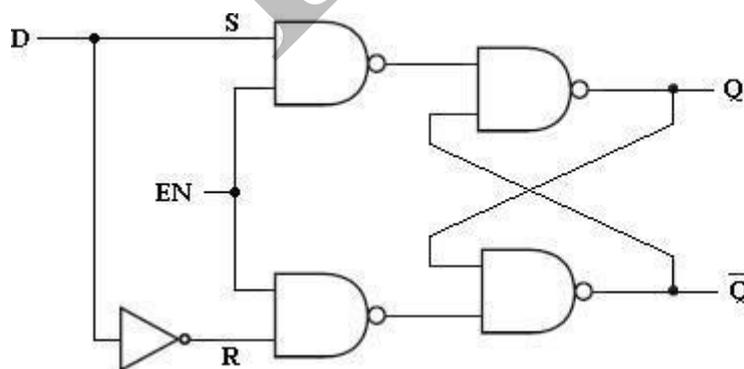
1	1	0	0	1	Set
1	1	0	1	1	
1	1	1	0	x	Indeterminate *
1	1	1	1	x	
0	x	x	0	0	No Change (NC)
0	x	x	1	1	

When S is HIGH and R is LOW, a HIGH on the EN input sets the latch. When S is LOW and R is HIGH, a HIGH on the EN input resets the latch.

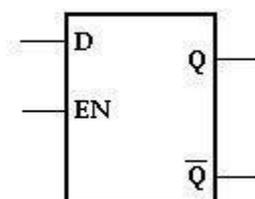


### 3.3.2 D Latch

In SR latch, when both inputs are same (00 or 11), the output either does not change or it is invalid. In many practical applications, these input conditions are not required. These input conditions can be avoided by making them complement of each other. This modified SR latch is known as **D latch**.



**D Latch**



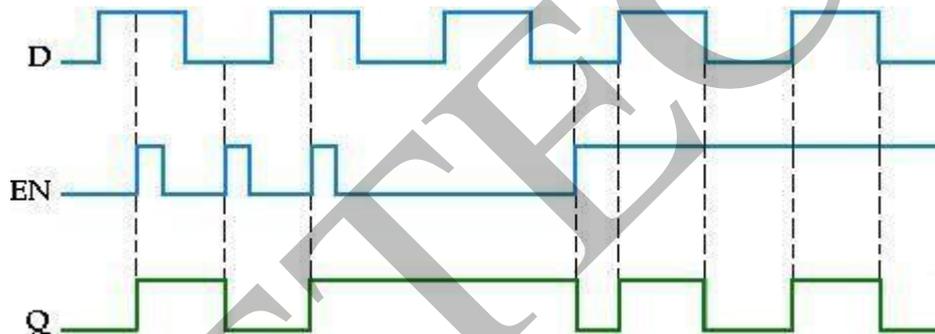
**Logic Symbol**

As shown in the figure, D input goes directly to the S input, and its complement is applied to the R input. Therefore, only two input conditions exist, either  $S=0$  and  $R=1$  or  $S=1$  and  $R=0$ . The truth table for D latch is shown below.

EN	D	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	State
1	0	x	0	Reset
1	1	x	1	Set
0	x	x	$Q_n$	No Change (NC)

As shown in the truth table, the Q output follows the D input. For this reason, D latch is called *transparent latch*.

When D is HIGH and EN is HIGH, Q goes HIGH. When D is LOW and EN is HIGH, Q goes LOW. When EN is LOW, the state of the latch is not affected by the D input.

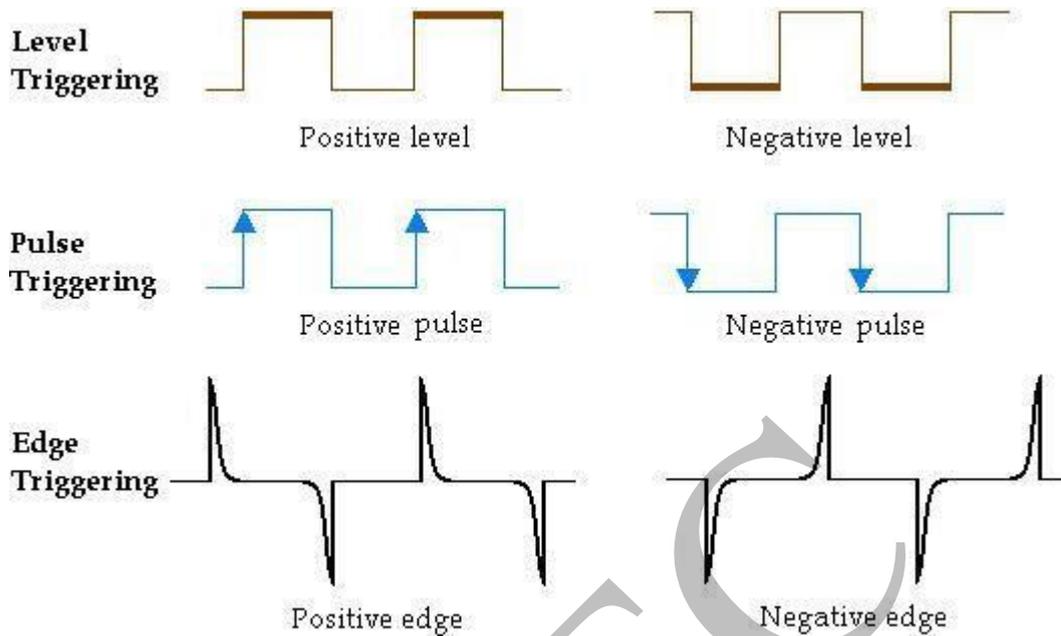


### 3.4 TRIGGERING OF FLIP-FLOPS

The state of a Flip-Flop is switched by a momentary change in the input signal. This momentary change is called a trigger and the transition it causes is said to trigger the Flip-Flop. Clocked Flip-Flops are triggered by pulses. A clock pulse starts from an initial value of 0, goes momentarily to 1 and after a short time, returns to its initial 0 value.

Latches are controlled by enable signal, and they are level triggered, either positive level triggered or negative level triggered. The output is free to change according to the S and R input values, when active level is maintained at the enable input.

Flip-Flops are different from latches. Flip-Flops are pulse or clock edge triggered instead of level triggered.



### 3.5 EDGE TRIGGERED FLIP-FLOPS

Flip-Flops are synchronous bistable devices (has two outputs  $Q$  and  $Q'$ ). In this case, the term synchronous means that the output changes state only at a specified point on the triggering input called the clock (CLK), i.e., changes in the output occur in synchronization with the clock.

An *edge-triggered Flip-Flop* changes state either at the positive edge (rising edge) or at the negative edge (falling edge) of the clock pulse and is sensitive to its inputs only at this transition of the clock. The different types of edge-triggered Flip-Flops are—

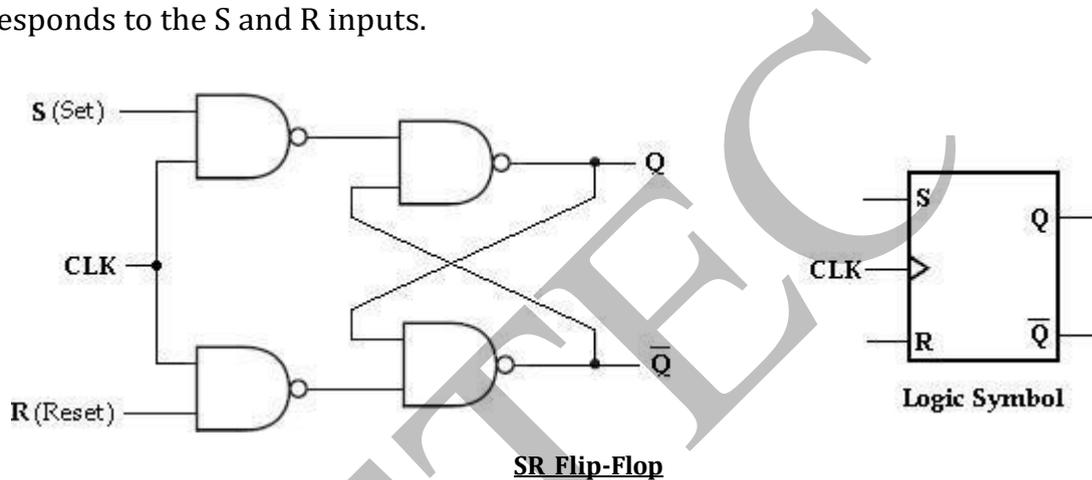
- S-R Flip-Flop,
- J-K Flip-Flop,
- D Flip-Flop,
- T Flip-Flop.

Although the S-R Flip-Flop is not available in IC form, it is the basis for the D and J-K Flip-Flops. Each type can be either positive edge-triggered (no bubble at C

input) or negative edge-triggered (bubble at C input). The key to identifying an edge-triggered Flip-Flop by its logic symbol is the small triangle inside the block at the clock (C) input. This triangle is called the **dynamic input indicator**.

### 3.5.1 S-R Flip-Flop

The S and R inputs of the S-R Flip-Flop are called *synchronous* inputs because data on these inputs are transferred to the Flip-Flop's output only on the triggering edge of the clock pulse. The circuit is similar to SR latch except enable signal is replaced by clock pulse (CLK). On the positive edge of the clock pulse, the circuit responds to the S and R inputs.

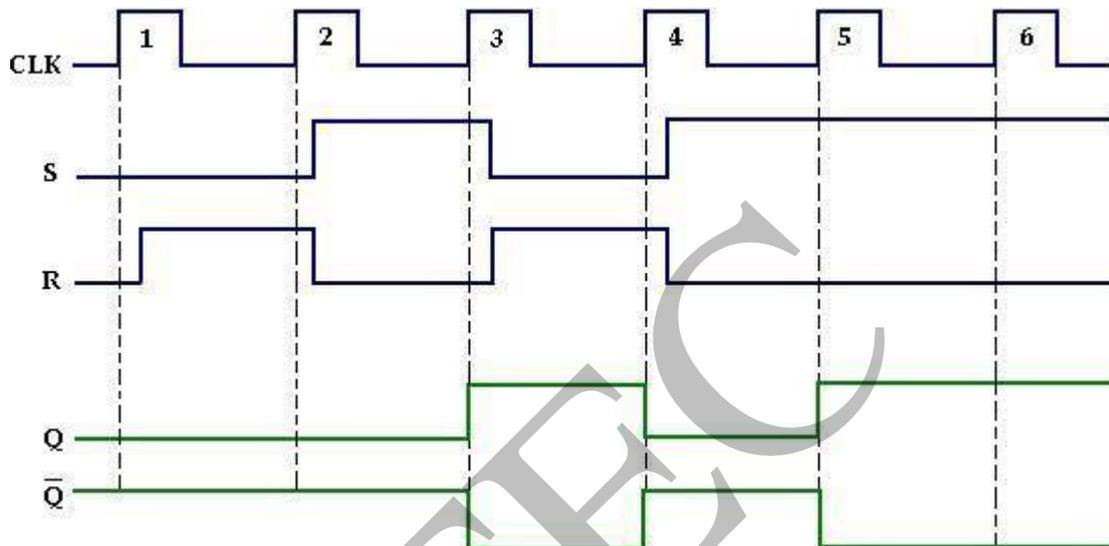


When S is HIGH and R is LOW, the Q output goes HIGH on the triggering edge of the clock pulse, and the Flip-Flop is SET. When S is LOW and R is HIGH, the Q output goes LOW on the triggering edge of the clock pulse, and the Flip-Flop is RESET. When both S and R are LOW, the output does not change from its prior state. An invalid condition exists when both S and R are HIGH.

CLK	S	R	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	State
1	0	0	0	0	No Change (NC)
1	0	0	1	1	
1	0	1	0	0	Reset
1	0	1	1	0	
1	1	0	0	1	Set
1	1	0	1	1	

1	1	1	0	x	Indeterminate
1	1	1	1	x	*
0	x	x	0	0	No Change (NC)
0	x	x	1	1	

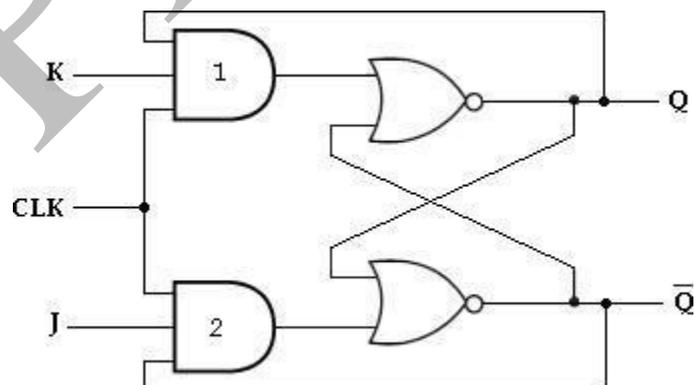
**Truth table for SR Flip-Flop**



**Input and output waveforms of SR Flip-Flop**

### 3.5.2 J-K Flip-Flop:

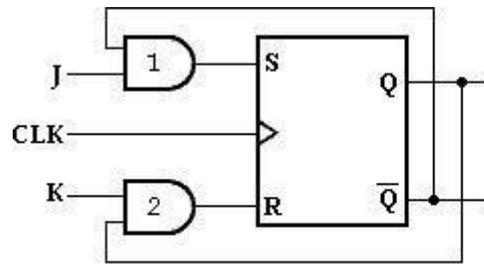
JK means Jack Kilby, Texas Instrument (TI) Engineer, who invented IC in 1958. JK Flip-Flop has two inputs J(set) and K(reset). A JK Flip-Flop can be obtained from the clocked SR Flip-Flop by augmenting two AND gates as shown below.



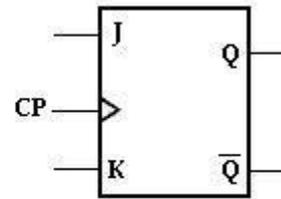
**JK Flip Flop**

The data input J and the output  $Q'$  are applied to the first AND gate and its output ( $JQ'$ ) is applied to the S input of SR Flip-Flop. Similarly, the data input K and

the output Q are applied to the second AND gate and its output (KQ) is applied to the R input of SR Flip-Flop.



(a) Using SR flipflop



(b) Graphic symbol

### J=K=0

When  $J=K=0$ , both AND gates are disabled. Therefore clock pulse have no effect, hence the Flip-Flop output is same as the previous output.

### J=0,K=1

When  $J=0$  and  $K=1$ , AND gate 1 is disabled i.e.,  $S=0$  and  $R=1$ . This condition will reset the Flip-Flop to 0.

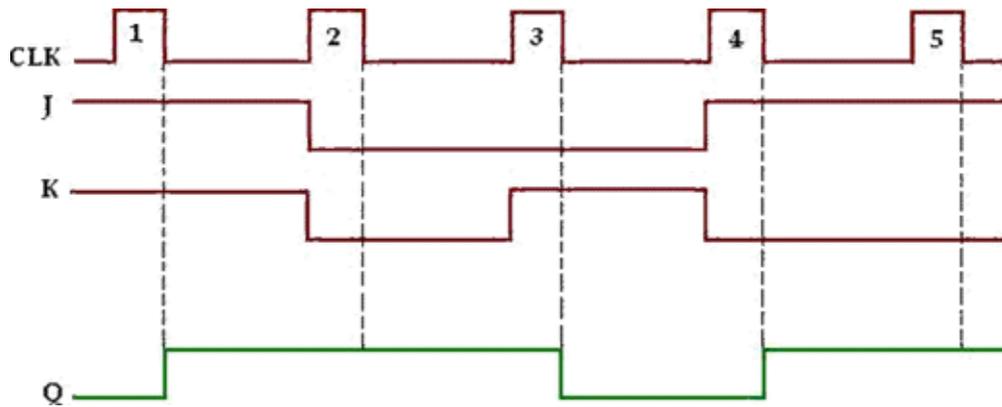
### J=1,K=0

When  $J=1$  and  $K=0$ , AND gate 2 is disabled i.e.,  $S=1$  and  $R=0$ . Therefore the Flip-Flop will set on the application of a clock pulse.

### J=K=1

When  $J=K=1$ , it is possible to set or reset the Flip-Flop. If Q is High, AND gate 2 passes on a reset pulse to the next clock. When Q is low, AND gate 1 passes on a set pulse to the next clock. Eitherway, Q changes to the complement of the last state i.e., toggle. Toggle means to switch to the opposite state. The truth table of JK Flip-Flop is given below.

CLK	Inputs		Output	State
	J	K	$Q_{n+1}$	
1	0	0	$Q_n$	No Change
1	0	1	0	Reset
1	1	0	1	Set
1	1	1	$Q_n'$	Toggle



**Input and output waveforms of JK Flip-Flop**

**Characteristic table and Characteristic equation:**

The characteristic table for JK Flip-Flop is shown in the table below. From the table, K-map for the next state transition ( $Q_{n+1}$ ) can be drawn and the simplified logic expression which represents the characteristic equation of JK Flip-Flop can be found.

$Q_n$	J	K	$Q_{n+1}$
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

**Characteristic table**

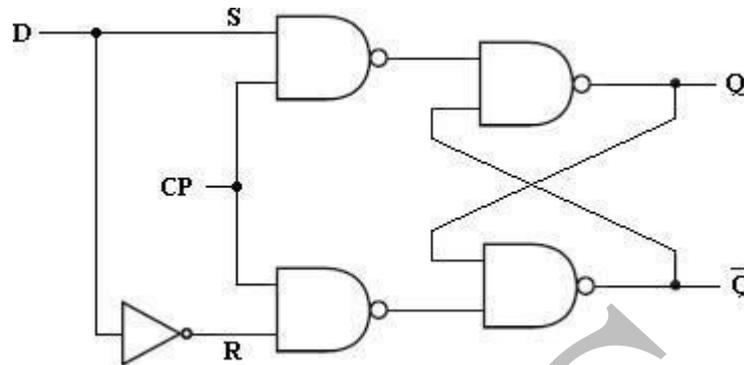
**K-map Simplification:**

		JK			
$Q_n$		00	01	11	10
0		0	0	1	1
1		1	0	0	1

Characteristic equation:  $Q_{n+1} = JQ' + K'Q$ .

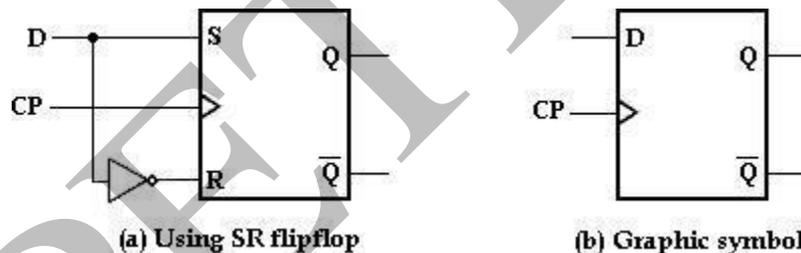
### 3.5.3 D Flip-Flop:

Like in D latch, in D Flip-Flop the basic SR Flip-Flop is used with complemented inputs. The D Flip-Flop is similar to D-latch except clock pulse is used instead of enable input.



**D Flip-Flop**

To eliminate the undesirable condition of the indeterminate state in the RS Flip-Flop is to ensure that inputs S and R are never equal to 1 at the same time. This is done by D Flip-Flop. The D (*delay*) Flip-Flop has one input called delay input and clock pulse input. The D Flip-Flop using SR Flip-Flop is shown below.



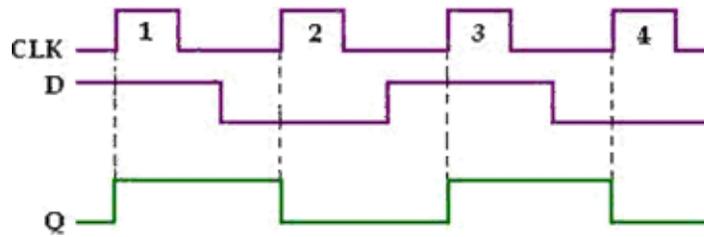
**(a) Using SR flipflop**

**(b) Graphic symbol**

The truth table of D Flip-Flop is given below.

Clock	D	$Q_{n+1}$	State
1	0	0	Reset
1	1	1	Set
0	x	$Q_n$	No Change

**Truth table for D Flip-Flop**



**Input and output waveforms of clocked D Flip-Flop**

Looking at the truth table for D Flip-Flop we can realize that  $Q_{n+1}$  function follows the D input at the positive going edges of the clock pulses.

**Characteristic table and Characteristic equation:**

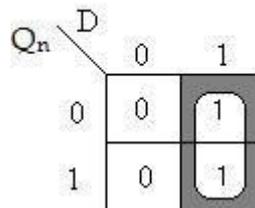
The characteristic table for D Flip-Flop shows that the next state of the Flip-Flop is independent of the present state since  $Q_{n+1}$  is equal to D. This means that an input pulse will transfer the value of input D into the output of the Flip-Flop independent of the value of the output before the pulse was applied.

The characteristic equation is derived from K-map.

$Q_n$	D	$Q_{n+1}$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

**Characteristic table**

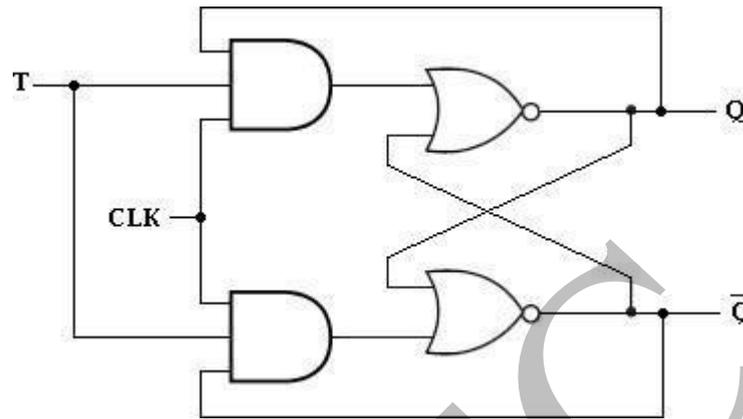
K-map simplification



Characteristic equation:  $Q_{n+1} = D$ .

### 3.5.4 T Flip-Flop

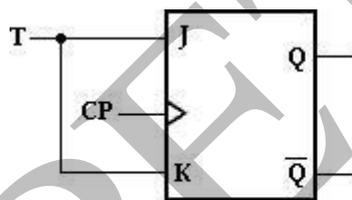
The T (*Toggle*) Flip-Flop is a modification of the JK Flip-Flop. It is obtained from JK Flip-Flop by connecting both inputs J and K together, i.e., single input. Regardless of the present state, the Flip-Flop complements its output when the clock pulse occurs while input T= 1.



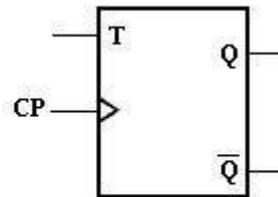
**T Flip-Flop**

When  $T = 0$ ,  $Q_{n+1} = Q_n$ , i.e., the next state is the same as the present state and no change occurs.

When  $T = 1$ ,  $Q_{n+1} = Q_n'$ , i.e., the next state is the complement of the present state.



**(a) Using JK flipflop**



**(b) Graphic symbol**

The truth table of T Flip-Flop is given below.

T	$Q_{n+1}$	State
0	$Q_n$	No Change
1	$Q_n'$	Toggle

**Truth table for T Flip-Flop**

### Characteristic table and Characteristic equation:

The characteristic table for T Flip-Flop is shown below and characteristic equation is derived using K-map.

$Q_n$	T	$Q_{n+1}$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

### K-map Simplification:

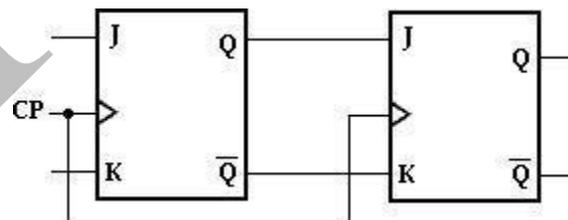
A Karnaugh map for the characteristic equation of a T Flip-Flop. The vertical axis is labeled  $Q_n$  with values 0 and 1. The horizontal axis is labeled T with values 0 and 1. The cells contain the next state  $Q_{n+1}$ : (0,0) is 0, (0,1) is 1, (1,0) is 1, and (1,1) is 0. The cells (0,1) and (1,0) are circled, representing the minterms  $TQ_n'$  and  $T'Q_n$  respectively.

$Q_n \backslash T$	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

Characteristic equation:  $Q_{n+1} = TQ_n' + T'Q_n$ .

### 3.5.5 Master-Slave JK Flip-Flop

A master-slave Flip-Flop is constructed using two separate JK Flip-Flops. The first Flip-Flop is called the master. It is driven by the positive edge of the clock pulse. The second Flip-Flop is called the slave. It is driven by the negative edge of the clock pulse. The logic diagram of a master-slave JK Flip-Flop is shown below.

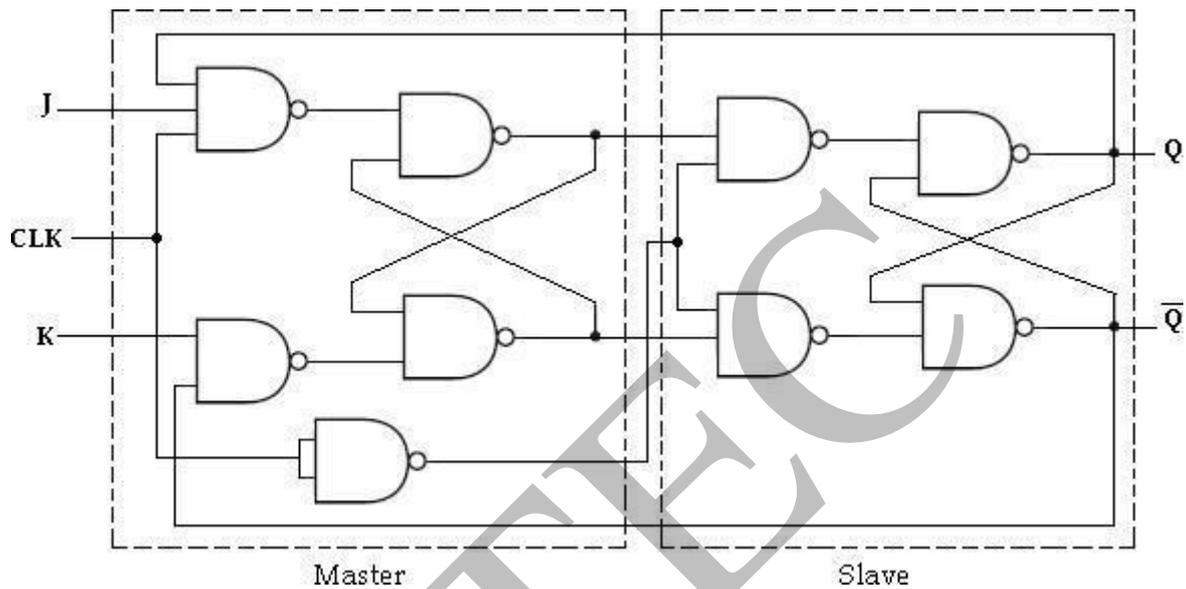


**Logic diagram**

When the clock pulse has a positive edge, the master acts according to its J-K inputs, but the slave does not respond, since it requires a negative edge at the clock input.

When the clock input has a negative edge, the slave Flip-Flop copies the master outputs. But the master does not respond since it requires a positive edge at its clock input.

The clocked master-slave J-K Flip-Flop using NAND gates is shown below.



**Master-Slave JK Flip-Flop**

### 3.6 APPLICATION TABLE (OR) EXCITATION TABLE:

The *characteristic table* is useful for **analysis** and for defining the operation of the Flip-Flop. It specifies the next state ( $Q_{n+1}$ ) when the inputs and present state are known.

The *excitation or application table* is useful for **design** process. It is used to find the Flip-Flop input conditions that will cause the required transition, when the present state ( $Q_n$ ) and the next state ( $Q_{n+1}$ ) are known.

### 3.6.1 SR Flip-Flop:

Present State	Inputs		Next State
	S	R	
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	x
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	x

Characteristic Table

Present State	Next State	Inputs		Inputs	
		S	R	S	R
0	0	0	0		
0	0	0	1	0	x
0	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	0	x	0
1	1	1	0		

Modified Table

Present State	Next State	Inputs	
		S	R
0	0	0	x
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	1	x	0

Excitation Table

The above table presents the excitation table for SR Flip-Flop. It consists of present state ( $Q_n$ ), next state ( $Q_{n+1}$ ) and a column for each input to show how the required transition is achieved.

There are 4 possible transitions from present state to next state. The required input conditions for each of the four transitions are derived from the information available in the characteristic table. The symbol 'x' denotes the don't care condition, it does not matter whether the input is 0 or 1.

### 3.6.2 JK Flip-Flop:

Present State	Inputs		Next State
	J	K	
0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0
0	1	0	1
0	1	1	1
1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	1	1	0

Present State	Next State	Inputs		Inputs	
		J	K	J	K
0	0	0	0	0	x
0	0	0	1		
0	1	1	0	1	x
0	1	1	1		
1	0	0	1	x	1
1	0	1	1		
1	1	0	0	x	0
1	1	1	0		

Characteristic Table

Modified Table

Present State	Next State	Inputs	
		J	K
0	0	0	x
0	1	1	x
1	0	x	1
1	1	x	0

Excitation Table

### 3.6.3 D Flip-Flop

Present State	Input	Next State
$Q_n$	D	$Q_{n+1}$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

Characteristic Table

Present State	Next State	Input
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	D
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

Excitation Table

### 3.6.4 T Flip-Flop

Present State	Input	Next State
$Q_n$	T	$Q_{n+1}$
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Characteristic Table

Present State	Next State	Input
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	T
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

Modified Table

### 3.7 REALIZATION OF ONE FLIP-FLOP USING OTHER FLIP-FLOPS

It is possible to convert one Flip-Flop into another Flip-Flop with some additional gates or simply doing some extra connection. The realization of one Flip-Flop using other Flip-Flops is implemented by the use of characteristic tables and excitation tables. Let us see few conversions among Flip-Flops.

- ✦ SR Flip-Flop to D Flip-Flop
- ✦ SR Flip-Flop to JK Flip-Flop
- ✦ SR Flip-Flop to T Flip-Flop
- ✦ JK Flip-Flop to T Flip-Flop
- ✦ JK Flip-Flop to D Flip-Flop
- ✦ D Flip-Flop to T Flip-Flop
- ✦ T Flip-Flop to D Flip-Flop

#### 3.7.1 SR Flip-Flop to D Flip-Flop:

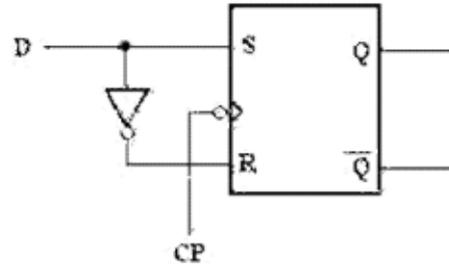
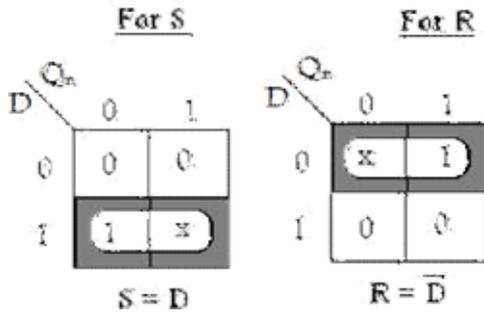
- Write the characteristic table for required Flip-Flop (D Flip-Flop).
- Write the excitation table for given Flip-Flop (SR Flip-Flop).
- Determine the expression for the given Flip-Flop inputs (S and R) by using K- map.
- Draw the Flip-Flop conversion logic diagram to obtain the required Flip-Flop (D Flip-Flop) by using the above obtained expression.

The excitation table for the above conversion is

Required Flip-Flop (D)			Given Flip-Flop (SR)	
Input	Present state	Next state	Flip-Flop Inputs	
D	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	S	R
0	0	0	0	x
0	1	0	0	1
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	x	0

K-map simplification

Logic diagram



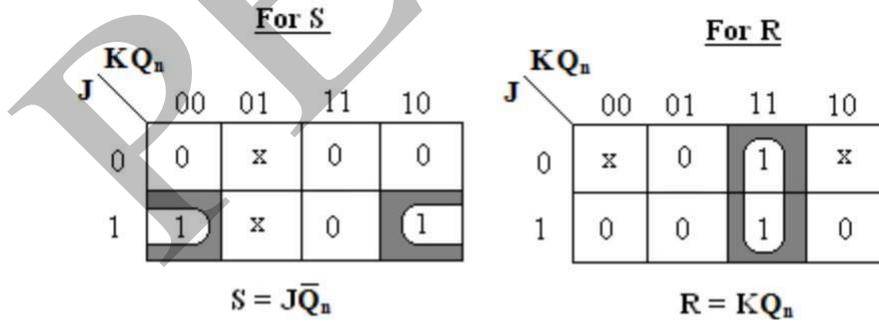
**D Flip-Flop**

**3.7.2 SR Flip-Flop to JK Flip-Flop**

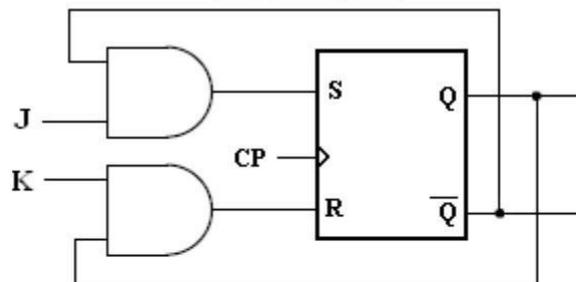
The excitation table for the above conversion is,

Inputs		Present state	Next state	Flip-Flop Input	
J	K	Q <sub>n</sub>	Q <sub>n+1</sub>	S	R
0	0	0	0	0	x
0	0	1	1	x	0
0	1	0	0	0	x
0	1	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	1	1	x	0
1	1	0	1	1	0
1	1	1	0	0	1

K-map simplification



Logic diagram



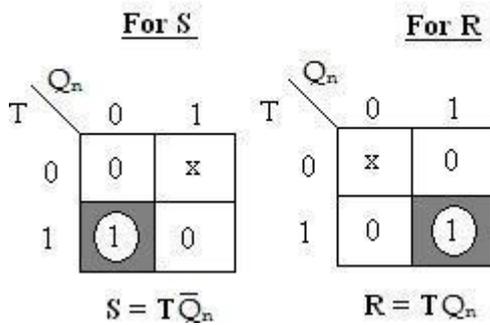
**JK Flip-Flop**

### 2.7.3 SR Flip-Flop to T Flip-Flop

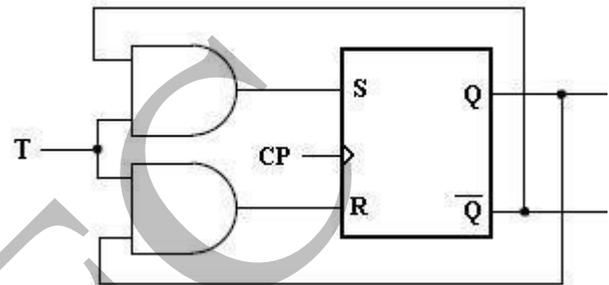
The excitation table for the above conversion is

Input	Present state	Next state	Flip-Flop Inputs	
			S	R
T	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$		
0	0	0	0	x
0	1	1	x	0
1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1

K-map simplification



Logic diagram

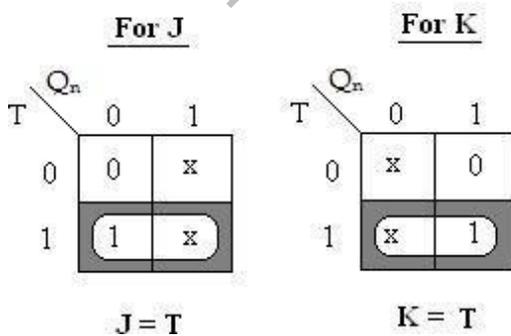


### 3.7.4 JK Flip-Flop to T Flip-Flop

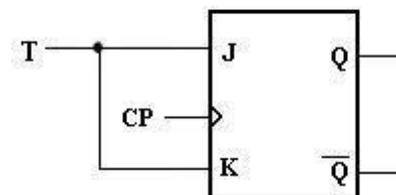
The excitation table for the above conversion is

Input	Present state	Next state	Flip-Flop Inputs	
			J	K
T	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$		
0	0	0	0	x
0	1	1	x	0
1	0	1	1	x
1	1	0	x	1

K-map simplification



Logic diagram



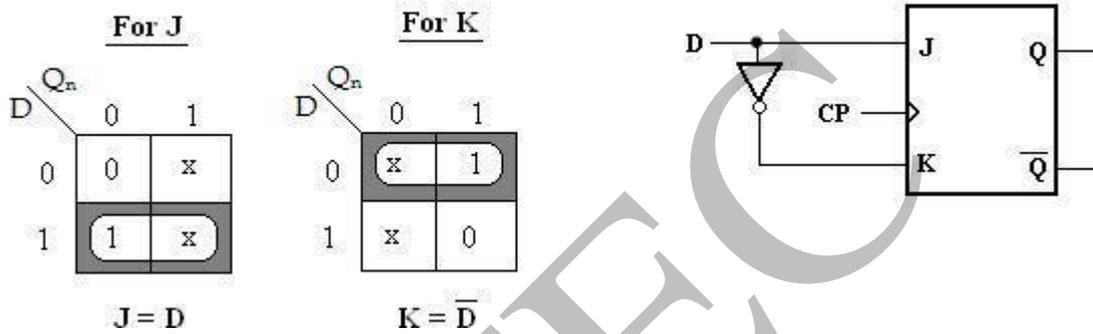
## JK Flip-Flop to D Flip-Flop

The excitation table for the above conversion is

Input	Present state	Next state	Flip-Flop Inputs	
D	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	J	K
0	0	0	0	x
0	1	0	x	1
1	0	1	1	x
1	1	1	x	0

K-map simplification

Logic diagram



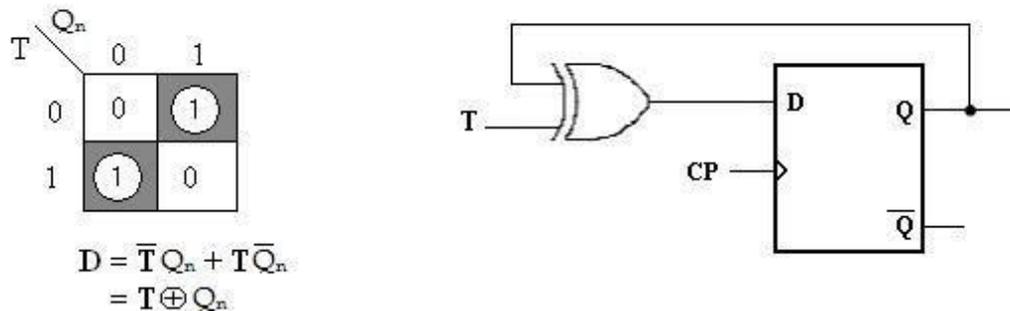
## D Flip-Flop to T Flip-Flop

The excitation table for the above conversion is

Input	Present state	Next state	Flip-Flop Input
T	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	D
0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	0	0

K-map simplification

Logic diagram

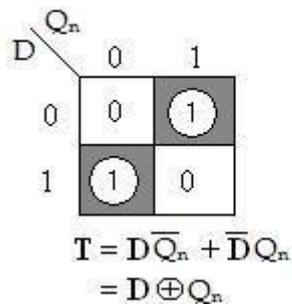


## T Flip-Flop to D Flip-Flop

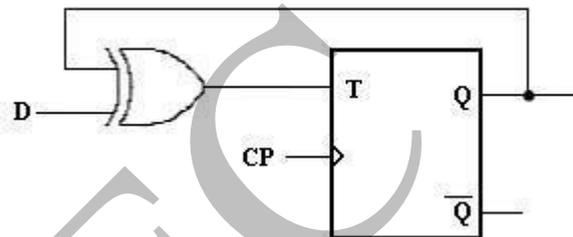
The excitation table for the above conversion is

Input	Present state	Next state	Flip-Flop Input
D	$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	T
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	0	1	1
1	1	1	0

K-map simplification



Logic diagram



## 3.8 CLASSIFICATION OF SYNCHRONOUS SEQUENTIAL CIRCUIT:

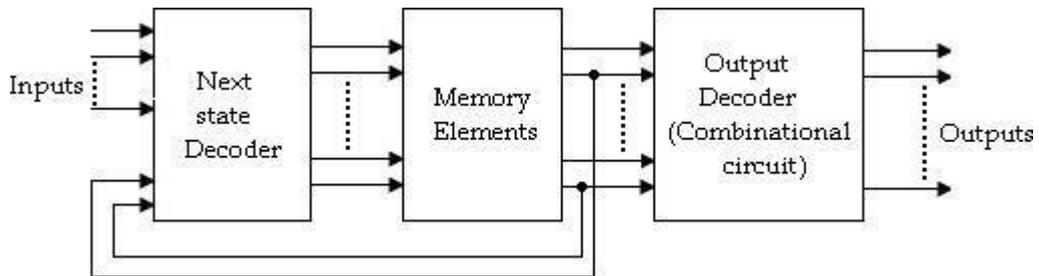
In synchronous or clocked sequential circuits, clocked Flip-Flops are used as memory elements, which change their individual states in synchronism with the periodic clock signal. Therefore, the change in states of Flip-Flop and change in state of the entire circuits occur at the transition of the clock signal.

The synchronous or clocked sequential networks are represented by two models.

- **Moore model:** The output depends only on the present state of the Flip-Flops.
- **Mealy model:** The output depends on both the present state of the Flip-Flops and on the inputs.

### 3.8.1 Moore model:

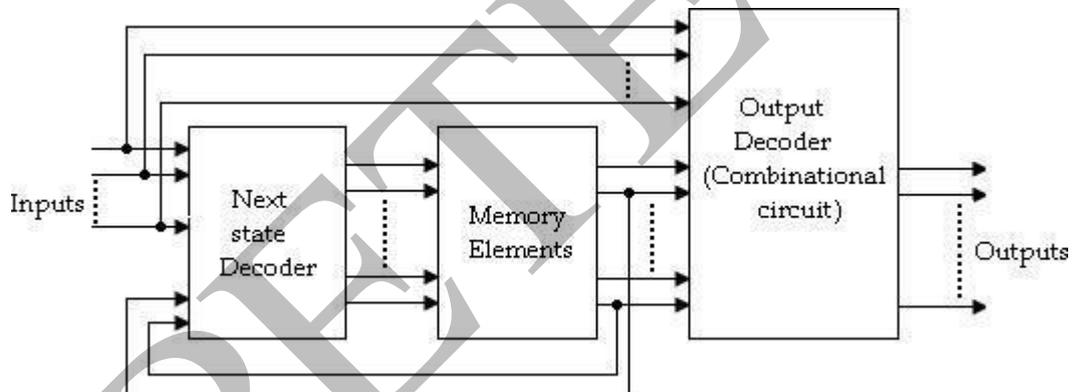
In the Moore model, the outputs are a function of the present state of the Flip-Flops only. The output depends only on present state of Flip-Flops, it appears only after the clock pulse is applied, i.e., it varies in synchronism with the clock input.



Moore model

### 3.8.2 Mealy model:

In the Mealy model, the outputs are functions of both the present state of the Flip-Flops and inputs.



Mealy model

### 3.8.3 Difference between Moore and Mealy model

Sl.No	Moore model	Mealy model
1	Its output is a function of present state only.	Its output is a function of present state as well as present input.
2	Input changes does not affect the output.	Input changes may affect the output of the circuit.
3	It requires more number of states for implementing same function.	It requires less number of states for implementing same function.

### 3.9 ANALYSIS OF SYNCHRONOUS SEQUENTIAL CIRCUIT:

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The behavior of a sequential circuit is determined from the inputs, outputs and the state of its Flip-Flops. The outputs and the next state are both a function of the inputs and the present state. The analysis of a sequential circuit consists of obtaining a table or diagram from the time sequence of inputs, outputs and internal states.

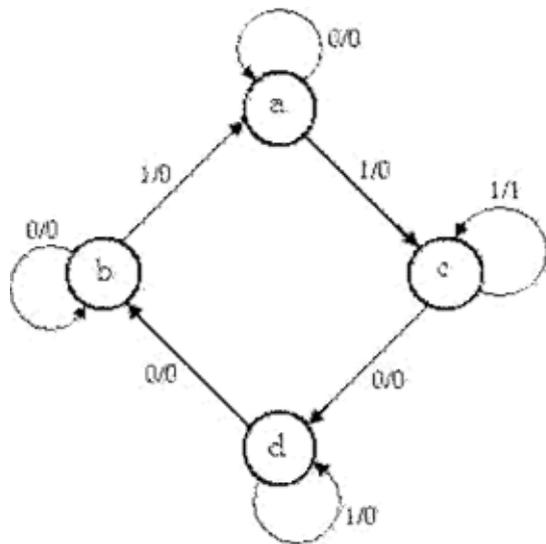
Before going to see the analysis and design examples, we first understand the state diagram, state table.

#### 3.9.1 State Diagram

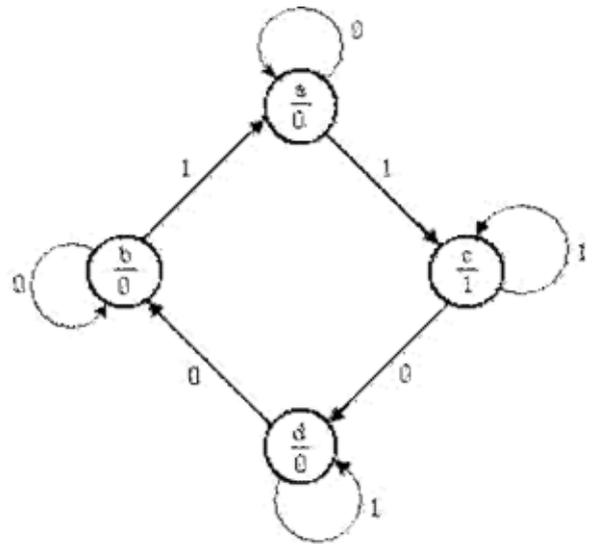
*State diagram is a pictorial representation of a behavior of a sequential circuit.*

- In the state diagram, a state is represented by a circle and the transition between states is indicated by directed lines connecting the circles.
- A directed line connecting a circle with circle with itself indicates that next state is same as present state.
- The binary number inside each circle identifies the state represented by the circle.
- The directed lines are labeled with two binary numbers separated by a symbol '/'. The input value that causes the state transition is labeled first and the output value during the present state is labeled after the symbol '/'.

In case of Moore circuit, the directed lines are labeled with only one binary number representing the state of the input that causes the state transition. The output state is indicated within the circle, below the present state because output state depends only on present state and not on the input.



**State diagram for Mealy circuit**



**State diagram for Moore circuit**

### 3.9.2 State Table

*State table represents relationship between input, output and Flip-Flop states.*

- It consists of three sections labeled present state, next state and output.
  - The present state designates the state of Flip-Flops before the occurrence of a clock pulse, and the output section gives the values of the output variables during the present state.
  - Both the next state and output sections have two columns representing two possible input conditions:  $X=0$  and  $X=1$ .

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
AB	AB	AB	Y	Y
a	a	c	0	0
b	b	a	0	0
c	d	c	0	1
d	b	d	0	0

- In case of Moore circuit, the output section has only one column since output does not depend on input.

Present state	Next state		Output
	X= 0	X= 1	
	AB	AB	Y
a	a	c	0
b	b	a	0
c	d	c	1
d	b	d	0

### 2.9.3 State Equation

It is an algebraic expression that specifies the condition for a Flip-Flop state transition.

The Flip-Flops may be of any type and the logic diagram may or may not include combinational circuit gates.

### 3.9.4 ANALYSIS PROCEDURE

The synchronous sequential circuit analysis is summarized as given below:

1. Assign a state variable to each Flip-Flop in the synchronous sequential circuit.
2. Write the excitation input functions for each Flip-Flop and also write the Moore/ Mealy output equations.
3. Substitute the excitation input functions into the bistable equations for the Flip-Flops to obtain the next state output equations.
4. Obtain the state table and reduced form of the state table.
5. Draw the state diagram by using the second form of the state table.

### 3.9.5 Analysis of Mealy Model

1. A sequential circuit has two JK Flip-Flops A and B, one input (x) and one output (y). the Flip-Flop input functions are,

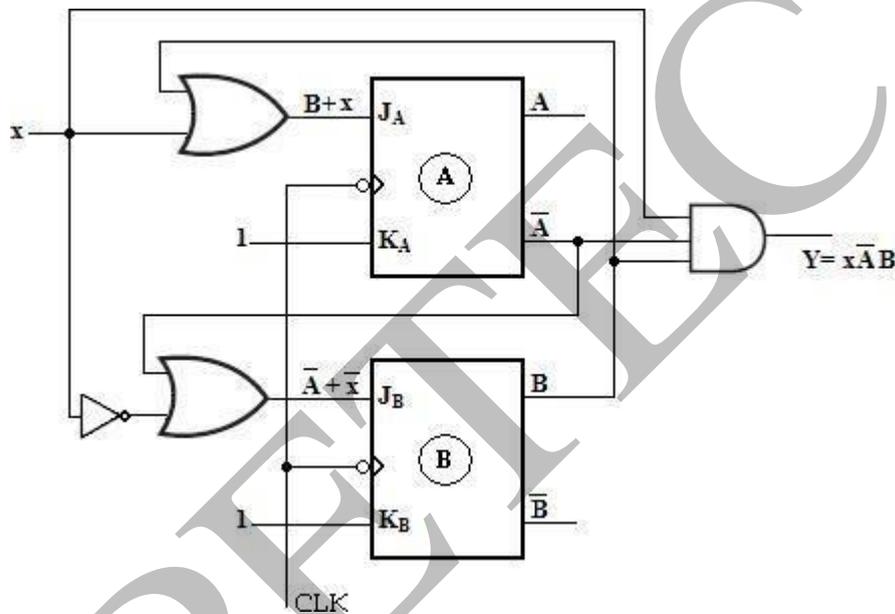
$$J_A = B + x \qquad J_B = A' + x'$$

$$K_A = 1 \qquad K_B = 1$$

and the circuit output function,  $Y = xA'B$ .

- Draw the logic diagram of the Mealy circuit,
- Tabulate the state table,
- Draw the state diagram.

**Soln:**



**State table:**

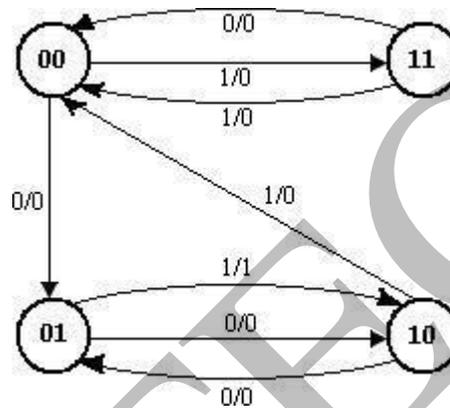
To obtain the next-state values of a sequential circuit with JK Flip-Flops, use the JK Flip-Flop characteristics table.

Present state		Input	Flip-Flop Inputs				Next state		Output
A	B	x	$J_A = B + x$	$K_A = 1$	$J_B = A' + x'$	$K_B = 1$	$A(t+1)$	$B(t+1)$	$Y = xA'B$
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0

Present state		Next state				Output	
		x= 0		x= 1		x= 0	x= 1
A	B	A	B	A	B	y	y
0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

**Second form of state table**

**State Diagram:**



**State Diagram**

2. A sequential circuit with two 'D' Flip-Flops A and B, one input (x) and one output (y). the Flip-Flop input functions are:

$$D_A = Ax + Bx$$

$D_B = A'x$  and the circuit output function is,

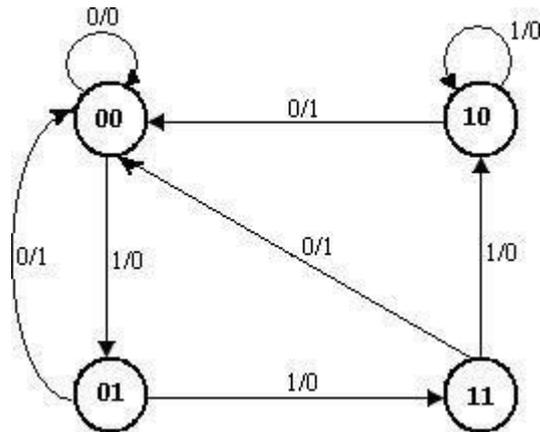
$$Y = (A + B) x'$$

- Draw the logic diagram of the circuit,
- Tabulate the state table,
- Draw the state diagram.

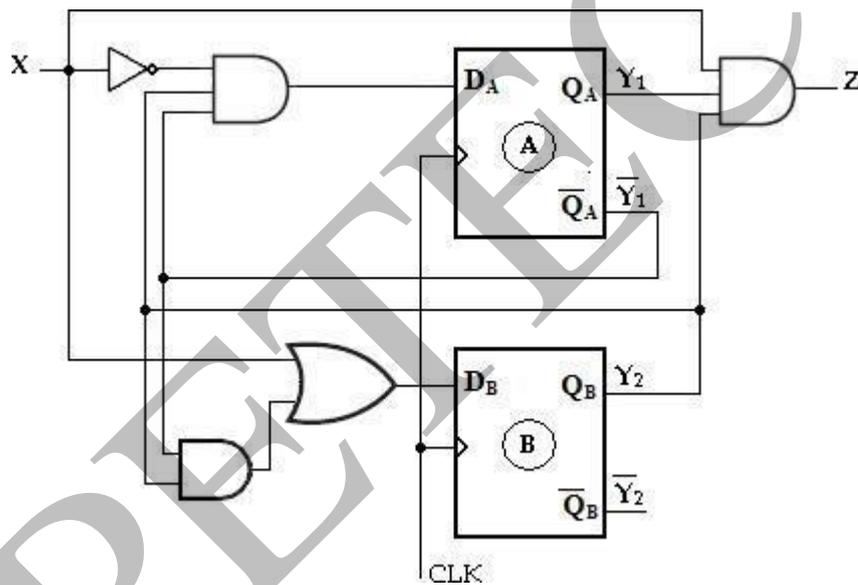
**Soln:**



**State Diagram:**



3. Analyze the synchronous Mealy machine and obtain its state diagram.



**Soln:**

The given synchronous Mealy machine consists of two D Flip-Flops, one inputs and one output.

The Flip-Flop input functions are,

$$D_A = Y_1' Y_2 X'$$

$$D_B = X + Y_1' Y_2$$

The circuit output function is,  $Z = Y_1 Y_2 X$

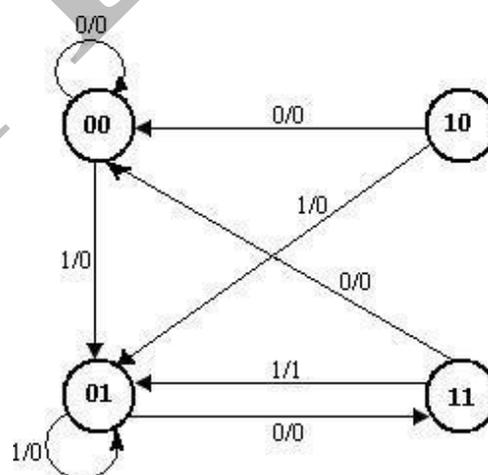
**State Table:**

Present state		Input	Flip-Flop Inputs		Next state		Output
Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	X	D <sub>A</sub> = Y <sub>1</sub> 'Y <sub>2</sub> X'	D <sub>B</sub> = X + Y <sub>1</sub> 'Y <sub>2</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub> (t+1)	Y <sub>2</sub> (t+1)	Z = Y <sub>1</sub> Y <sub>2</sub> X
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1

Present state		Next state				Output	
		X = 0		X = 1		X = 0	X = 1
Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	Z	Z
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1

Second form of state table

State Diagram:



4. A sequential circuit has two JK Flop-Flops A and B, two inputs x and y and one output z. The Flip-Flop input equation and circuit output equations are

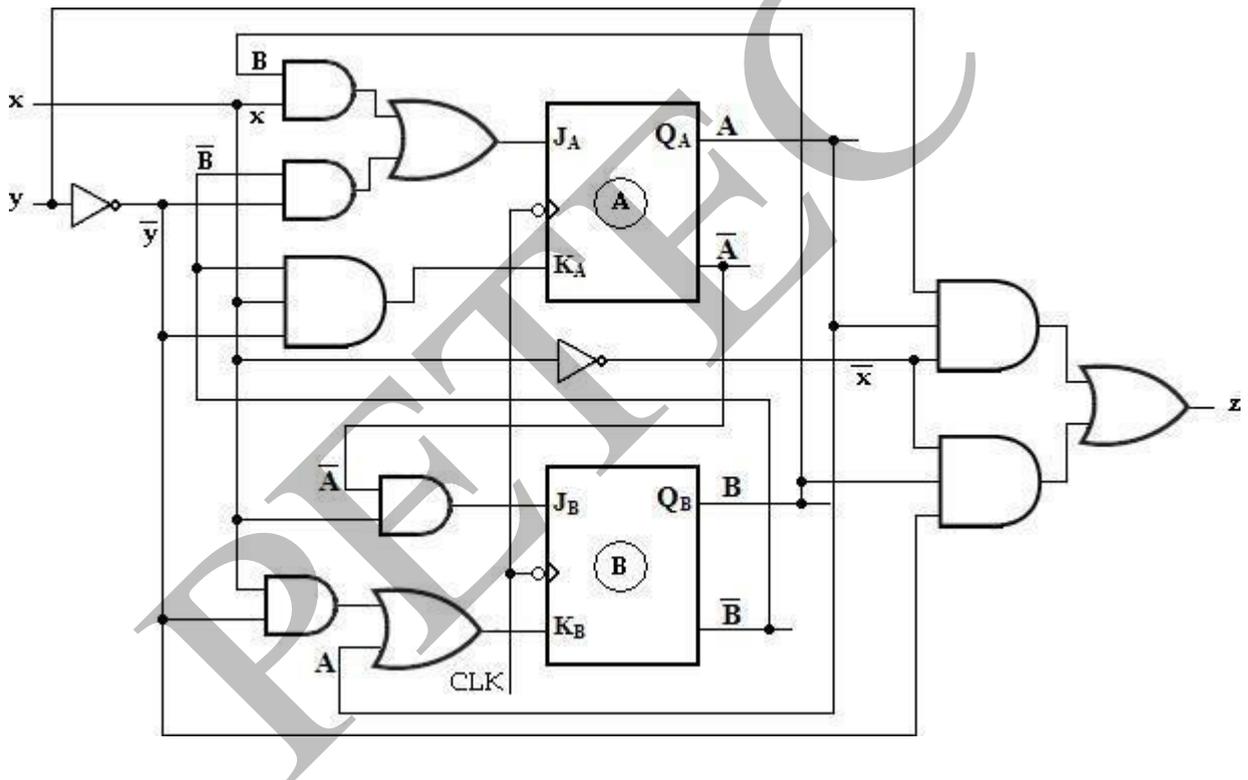
$$J_A = Bx + B'y' \quad K_A = B'xy'$$

$$J_B = A'x \quad K_B = A + xy'$$

$$z = Ax'y' + Bx'y'$$

- Draw the logic diagram of the circuit
- Tabulate the state table.
- Derive the state equation.

**State diagram:**



**State table:**

To obtain the next-state values of a sequential circuit with JK Flip-Flop, use the JK Flip-Flop characteristic table,

Present state		Input		Flip-Flop Inputs				Next state		Output
A	B	x	y	$J_A = Bx + B'y'$	$K_A = B'xy'$	$J_B = A'x$	$K_B = A + xy'$	A(t+1)	B(t+1)	z
0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0

State Equation:

For A(t+1)

$AB \setminus xy$	00	01	11	10
00	1	0	0	1
01	0	0	1	1
11	1	1	1	1
10	1	1	1	0

$$A(t+1) = Ax' + Ay + Bx + A'B'y'$$

For B(t+1)

$AB \setminus xy$	00	01	11	10
00	0	0	1	1
01	0	0	1	1
11	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0

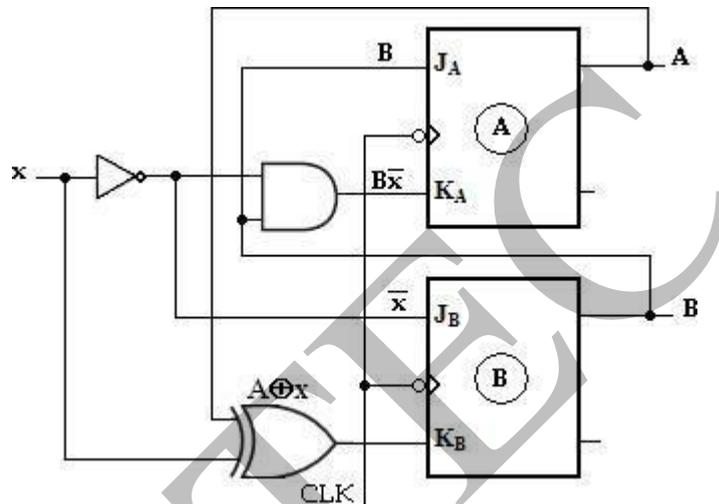
$$B(t+1) = A'x$$

5. A sequential circuit has two JK Flip-Flop A and B. the Flip-Flop input functions

$$\begin{aligned} \text{are: } J_A &= B & J_B &= x' \\ K_A &= Bx' & K_B &= A \oplus x. \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Draw the logic diagram of the circuit,
- (b) Tabulate the state table,
- (c) Draw the state diagram.

**Logic diagram:**



The output function is not given in the problem. The output of the Flip-Flops may be considered as the output of the circuit.

**State table:**

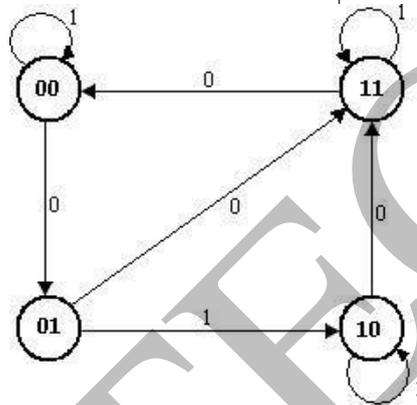
To obtain the next-state values of a sequential circuit with JK Flip-Flop, use the JK Flip-Flop characteristic table.

Present state		Input	Flip-Flop Inputs				Next state	
A	B	x	$J_A = B$	$K_A = Bx'$	$J_B = x'$	$K_B = A \oplus x$	$A(t+1)$	$B(t+1)$
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1

		Next state			
		X= 0		X= 1	
A	B	A	B	A	B
0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	0
1	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1

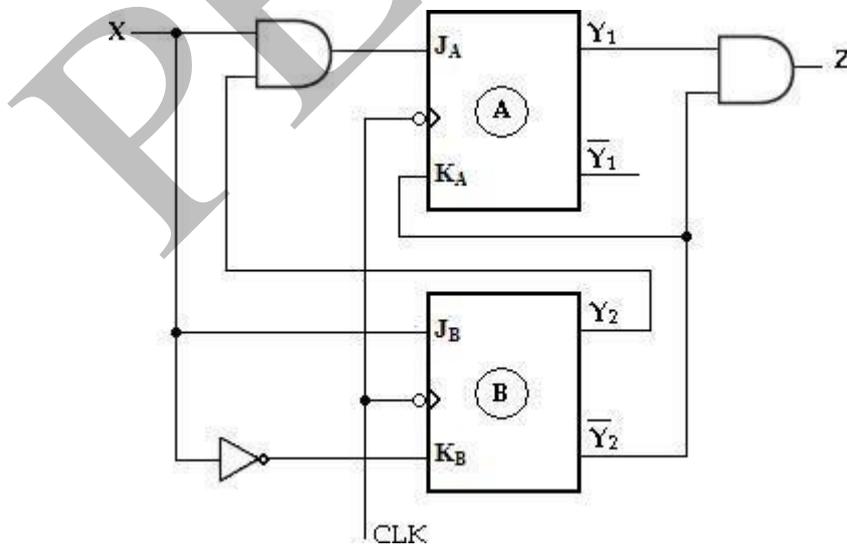
Second form of state table

**State Diagram:**



### 3.9.6 Analysis of Moore Model

6. Analyze the synchronous Moore circuit and obtain its state diagram.



**Soln:**

Using the assigned variable  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  for the two JK Flip-Flops, we can write the four excitation input equations and the Moore output equation as follows:

$$J_A = Y_2 X \quad ; \quad K_A = Y_2'$$

$$J_B = X \quad ; \quad K_B = X' \quad \text{and output function, } Z = Y_1 Y_2'$$

**State table:**

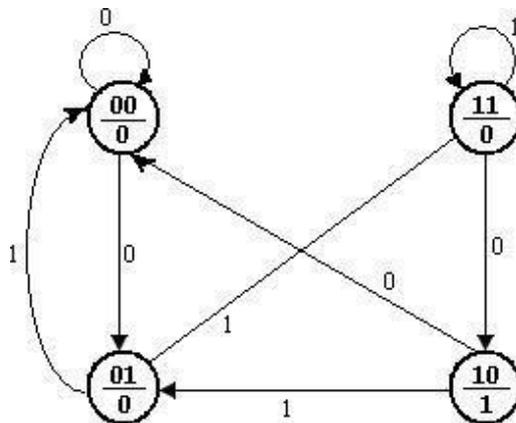
Present state		Input	Flip-Flop Inputs				Next state		Output
Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	X	J <sub>A</sub> = Y <sub>2</sub> X	K <sub>A</sub> = Y <sub>2</sub> '	J <sub>B</sub> = X	K <sub>B</sub> = X'	Y <sub>1</sub> (t+1)	Y <sub>2</sub> (t+1)	Z = Y <sub>1</sub> Y <sub>2</sub> '
0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0

Present state		Next state				Output Y
		X = 0		X = 1		
Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	Y <sub>1</sub>	Y <sub>2</sub>	
0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	0	1	1	0

Second form of state table

**State Diagram:**

Here the output depends on the present state only and is independent of the input. The two values inside each circle separated by a slash are for the present state and output.



7. A sequential circuit has two T Flip-Flop A and B. The Flip-Flop input functions are:

$$T_A = Bx$$

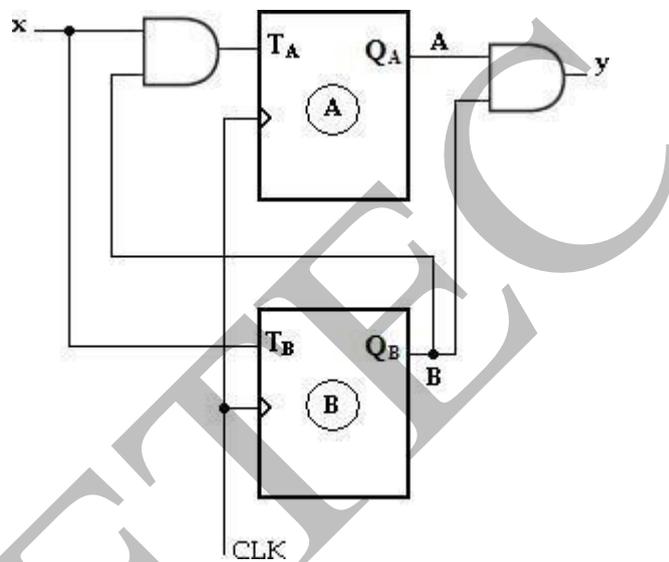
$$T_B = x$$

$$y = AB$$

- Draw the logic diagram of the circuit,
- Tabulate the state table,
- Draw the state diagram.

**Soln:**

**Logic diagram:**



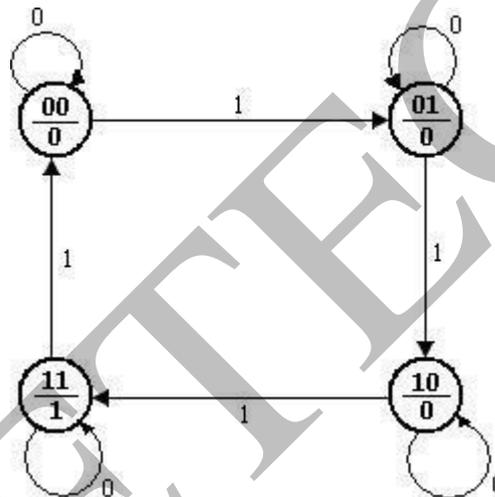
**State table**

Present state		Input	Flip-Flop Inputs		Next state		Output
A	B	x	$T_A = Bx$	$T_B = x$	A (t+1)	B (t+1)	y = AB
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1

Present state		Next state				Output	
		x= 0		x= 1		x= 0	x= 1
A	B	A	B	A	B	y	y
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1

**Second form of state table**

**State Diagram:**



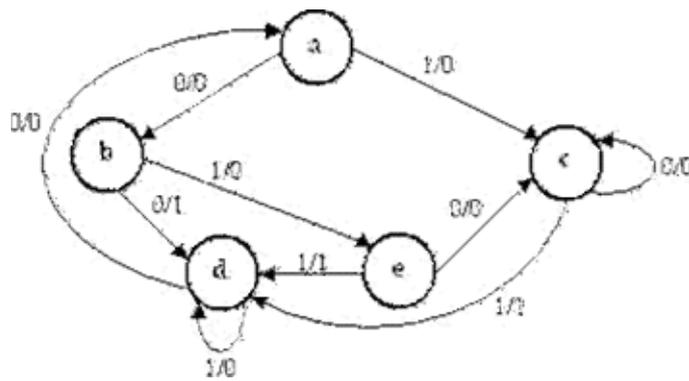
### 3.10 STATE REDUCTION/ MINIMIZATION

The state reduction is used to avoid the redundant states in the sequential circuits. The reduction in redundant states reduces the number of required Flip-Flops and logic gates, reducing the cost of the final circuit.

The two states are said to be redundant or equivalent, if every possible set of inputs generate exactly same output and same next state. When two states are equivalent, one of them can be removed without altering the input-output relationship.

Since 'n' Flip-Flops produced  $2^n$  state, a reduction in the number of states may result in a reduction in the number of Flip-Flops.

The need for state reduction or state minimization is explained with one example.



**State diagram**

**Step 1: Determine the state table for given state diagram**

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	b	c	0	0
b	d	e	1	0
c	c	d	0	1
d	a	d	0	0
e	c	d	0	1

**State table**

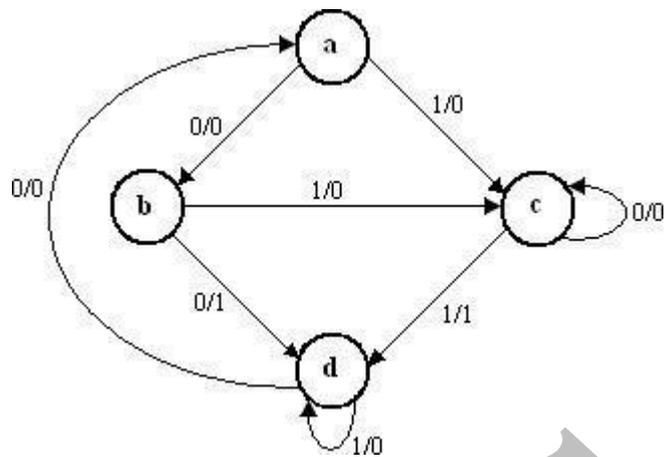
**Step 2: Find equivalent states**

From the above state table **c** and **e** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **c** and **e** go to next states **c** and **d** and have outputs 0 and 1 for  $x=0$  and  $x=1$  respectively. Therefore state **e** can be removed and replaced by **c**. The final reduced state table is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	b	c	0	0
b	d	c	1	0
c	c	d	0	1
d	a	d	0	0

**Reduced state table**

The state diagram for the reduced table consists of only four states and is shown below.



**Reduced state diagram**

1. Reduce the number of states in the following state table and tabulate the reduced state table.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	d	0	0
c	a	d	0	0
d	e	f	0	1
e	a	f	0	1
f	g	f	0	1
g	a	f	0	1

**Soln:**

From the above state table **e** and **g** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **e** and **g** go to next states **a** and **f** and have outputs 0 and 1 for x=0 and x=1 respectively. Therefore state **g** can be removed and replaced by **e**.

The reduced state table-1 is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	d	0	0
c	a	d	0	0
d	e	f	0	1
e	a	f	0	1
f	e	f	0	1

**Reduced state table-1**

Now states d and f are equivalent. Both states go to the same next state (e, f) and have same output (0, 1). Therefore one state can be removed; f is replaced by d. The final reduced state table-2 is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	d	0	0
c	a	<b>d</b>	0	0
<b>d</b>	e	<b>d</b>	0	1
e	a	<b>d</b>	0	1

**Reduced state table-2**

Thus 7 states are reduced into 5 states.

2. Determine a minimal state table equivalent furnished below

Present state	Next state	
	X= 0	X= 1
1	1, 0	1, 0
2	1, 1	6, 1
3	4, 0	5, 0
4	1, 1	7, 0
5	2, 0	3, 0
6	4, 0	5, 0
7	2, 0	3, 0

**Soln:**

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
1	1	1	0	0
2	1	6	1	1
3	4	5	0	0
4	1	7	1	0
5	2	3	0	0
6	4	5	0	0
7	2	3	0	0

From the above state table, **5** and **7** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **5** and **7** go to next states **2** and **3** and have outputs 0 and 0 for  $x=0$  and  $x=1$  respectively. Therefore state **7** can be removed and replaced by **5**.

Similarly, **3** and **6** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **3** and **6** go to next states **4** and **5** and have outputs 0 and 0 for  $x=0$  and  $x=1$  respectively. Therefore state **6** can be removed and replaced by **3**.

The final reduced state table is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
1	1	1	0	0
2	1	3	1	1
3	4	5	0	0
4	1	5	1	0
5	2	3	0	0

**Reduced state table**

Thus 7 states are reduced into 5 states.

3. Minimize the following state table.

Present state	Next state	
	X= 0	X= 1
A	D, 0	C, 1
B	E, 1	A, 1
C	H, 1	D, 1
D	D, 0	C, 1
E	B, 0	G, 1
F	H, 1	D, 1
G	A, 0	F, 1
H	C, 0	A, 1
I	G, 1	H,1

**Soln:**

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
A	D	C	0	1
B	E	A	1	1
C	H	D	1	1
D	D	C	0	1
E	B	G	0	1
F	H	D	1	1
G	A	F	0	1
H	C	A	0	1
I	G	H	1	1

From the above state table, **A** and **D** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **A** and **D** go to next states **D** and **C** and have outputs 0 and 1 for  $x=0$  and  $x=1$  respectively. Therefore state **D** can be removed and replaced by **A**. Similarly, **C** and **F** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **C** and **F** go to next states **H** and **D** and have outputs 1 and 1 for  $x=0$  and  $x=1$  respectively. Therefore state **F** can be removed and replaced by **C**.

The reduced state table-1 is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
A	A	C	0	1
B	E	A	1	1
C	H	A	1	1
E	B	G	0	1
G	A	C	0	1
H	C	A	0	1
I	G	H	1	1

**Reduced state table-1**

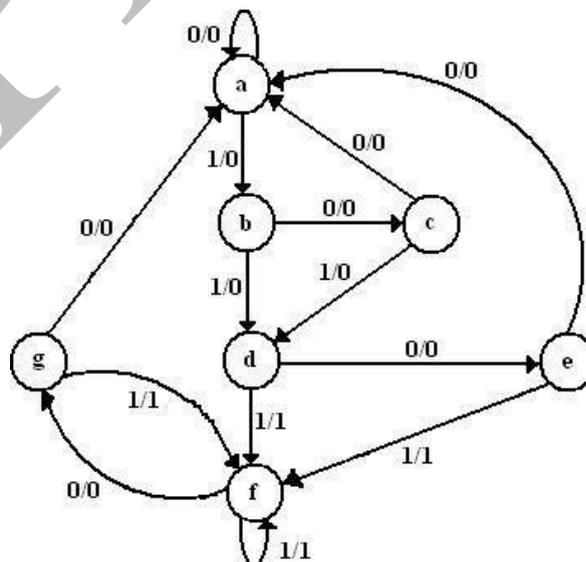
From the above reduced state table-1, **A** and **G** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **A** and **G** go to next states **A** and **C** and have outputs 0 and 1 for x=0 and x=1 respectively. Therefore state **G** can be removed and replaced by **A**. The final reduced state table-2 is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
A	A	C	0	1
B	E	A	1	1
C	H	A	1	1
E	B	A	0	1
H	C	A	0	1
I	A	H	1	1

**Reduced state table-2**

Thus 9 states are reduced into 6 states.

4. Reduce the following state diagram.



**Soln:**

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	d	0	0
c	a	d	0	0
d	e	f	0	1
e	a	f	0	1
f	g	f	0	1
g	a	f	0	1

**State table**

From the above state table **e** and **g** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **e** and **g** go to next states **a** and **f** and have outputs 0 and 1 for  $x=0$  and  $x=1$  respectively. Therefore state **g** can be removed and replaced by **e**. The reduced state table-1 is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	d	0	0
c	a	d	0	0
d	e	f	0	1
e	a	f	0	1
f	e	f	0	1

**Reduced state table-1**

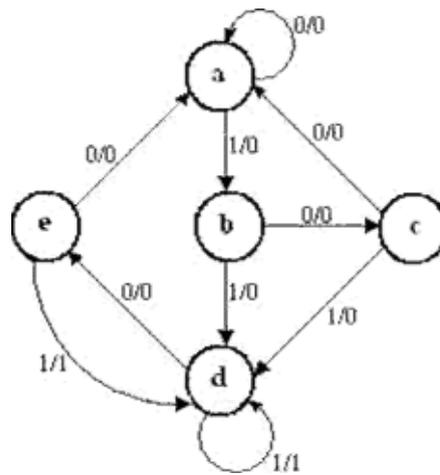
Now states **d** and **f** are equivalent. Both states go to the same next state (**e**, **f**) and have same output (0, 1). Therefore one state can be removed; **f** is replaced by **d**. The final reduced state table-2 is shown below.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	d	0	0
c	a	<b>d</b>	0	0
d	e	<b>d</b>	0	1
e	a	<b>d</b>	0	1

**Reduced state table-2**

Thus 7 states are reduced into 5 states.

The state diagram for the reduced state table-2 is,



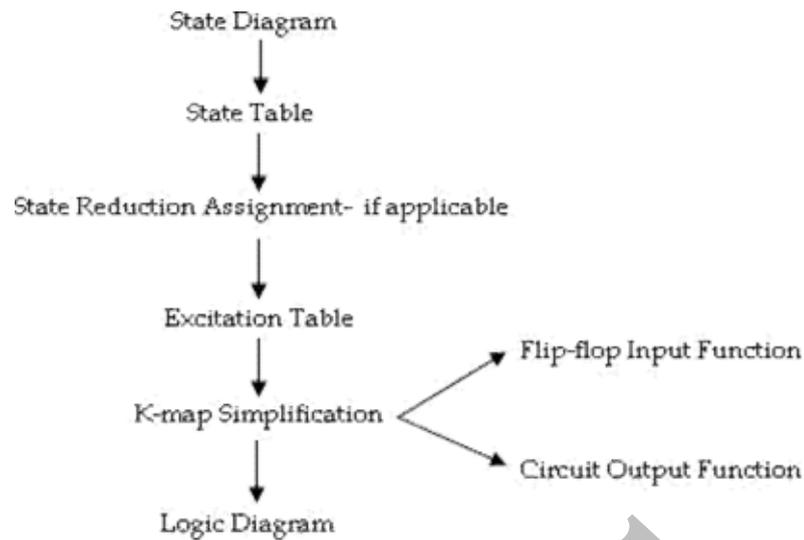
**Reduced state diagram**

### 3.11 DESIGN OF SYNCHRONOUS SEQUENTIAL CIRCUITS:

A synchronous sequential circuit is made up of number of Flip-Flops and combinational gates. The design of circuit consists of choosing the Flip-Flops and then finding a combinational gate structure together with the Flip-Flops. The number of Flip-Flops is determined from the number of states needed in the circuit. The combinational circuit is derived from the state table.

#### 3.11.1 Design procedure:

1. The given problem is determined with a state diagram.
2. From the state diagram, obtain the state table.
3. The number of states may be reduced by state reduction methods (if applicable).
4. Assign binary values to each state (Binary Assignment) if the state table contains letter symbols.
5. Determine the number of Flip-Flops and assign a letter symbol (A, B, C,...) to each.
6. Choose the type of Flip-Flop (SR, JK, D, T) to be used.
7. From the state table, circuit excitation and output tables.
8. Using K-map or any other simplification method, derive the circuit output functions and the Flip-Flop input functions.
9. Draw the logic diagram.



The type of Flip-Flop to be used may be included in the design specifications or may depend what is available to the designer. Many digital systems are constructed with JK Flip-Flops because they are the most versatile available. The selection of inputs is given as follows.

Flip-Flop	Application
JK	General Applications
D	Applications requiring transfer of data
T	(Ex: Shift Registers) Application involving complementation (Ex: Binary Counters)

### 3.11.2 Excitation Tables:

Before going to the design examples for the clocked synchronous sequential circuits we revise Flip-Flop excitation tables.

Present State	Next	Inputs	
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	S	R
0	0	0	x
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	1	x	0

Excitation table for SR Flip-Flop

Present State	Next State	Inputs	
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	J	K
0	0	0	x
0	1	1	x
1	0	x	1
1	1	x	0

Excitation table for JK Flip-Flop

Present State	Next State	Input
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	T
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

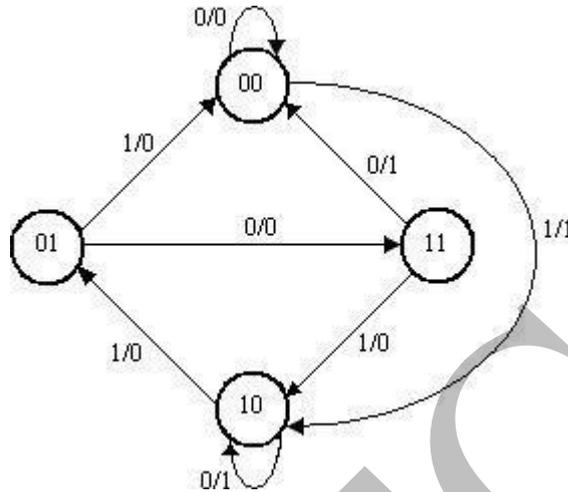
Excitation table for T Flip-Flop

Present State	Next State	Input
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	D
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

Excitation table for D Flip-Flop

### 3.11.3 Problems

1. A sequential circuit has one input and one output. The state diagram is shown below. Design the sequential circuit with a) D-Flip-Flops, b) T Flip-Flops, c) RS Flip-Flops and d) JK Flip-Flops.



**Solution:**

**State Table:**

The state table for the state diagram is,

Present state		Next state		Output	
		X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
A	B	AB	AB	Y	Y
0	0	00	10	0	1
0	1	11	00	0	0
1	0	10	01	1	0
1	1	00	10	1	0

**State reduction:**

As seen from the state table there is no equivalent states. Therefore, no reduction in the state diagram.

The state table shows that circuit goes through four states, therefore we require 2 Flip-Flops (number of states =  $2^m$ , where  $m$  = number of Flip-Flops). Since two Flip-Flops are required first is denoted as A and second is denoted as B.

i) **Design using D Flip-Flops:**

**Excitation table:**

Using the excitation table for T Flip-Flop, we can determine the excitation table for the given circuit as,

Present State	Next State	Input
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	D
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	0
1	1	1

**Excitation table for D Flip-Flop**

Present state		Input	Next state		Flip-Flop Inputs		Output
A	B	X	A	B	D <sub>A</sub>	D <sub>B</sub>	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0

**Circuit excitation table**

**K-map Simplification:**

**For Flip-flop A**

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	0	1
1	1	0	1	0

$$D_A = A'B'X + A'BX' + ABX + AB'X'$$

$$= A \oplus (B \oplus X)$$

**For Flip-flop B**

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	0

$$D_B = A'BX' + AB'X$$

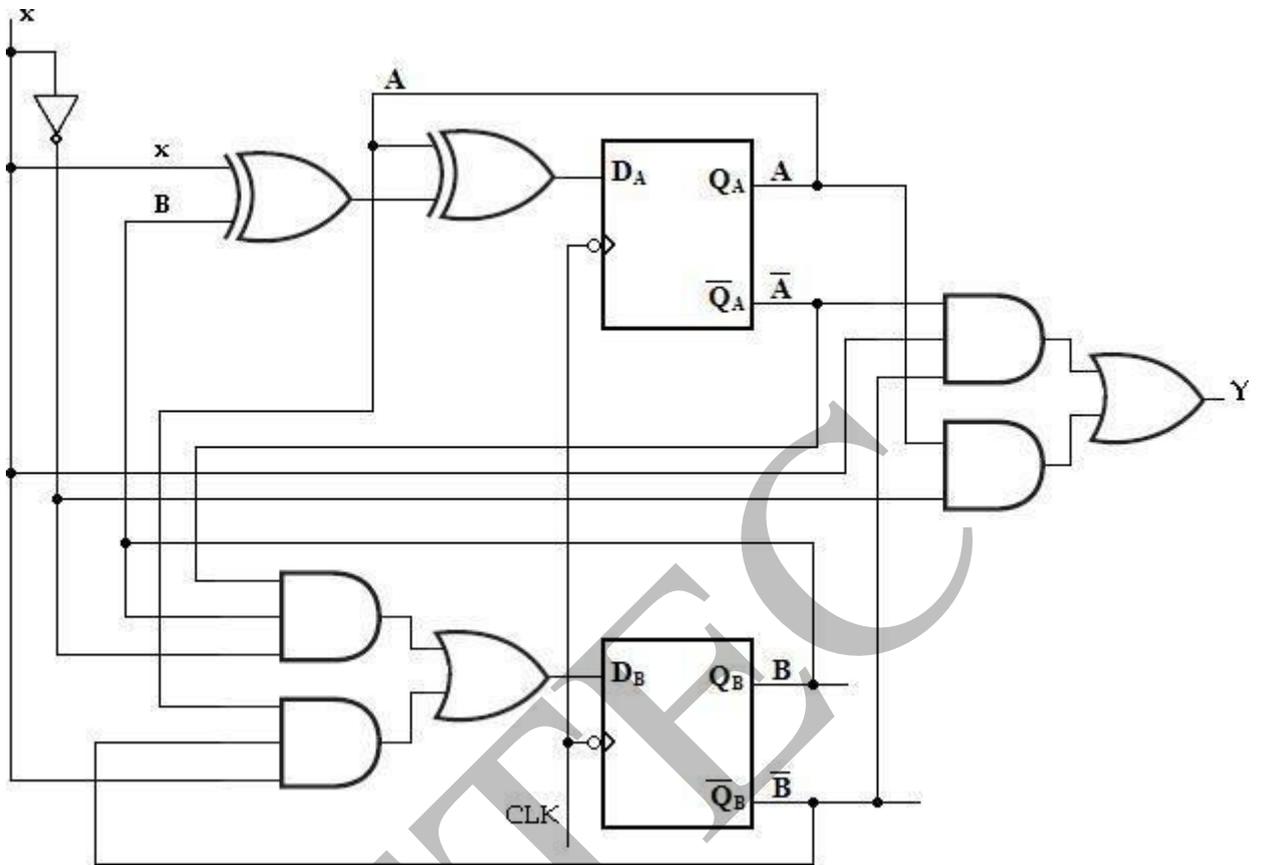
**For Output**

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1

$$Y = A'B'X + AX'$$

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With these Flip-Flop input functions and circuit output function we can draw the logic diagram as follows.



**Logic diagram of given sequential circuit using D Flip-Flop**

ii) **Design using T Flip-Flops:**

Using the excitation table for T Flip-Flop, we can determine the excitation table for the given circuit as,

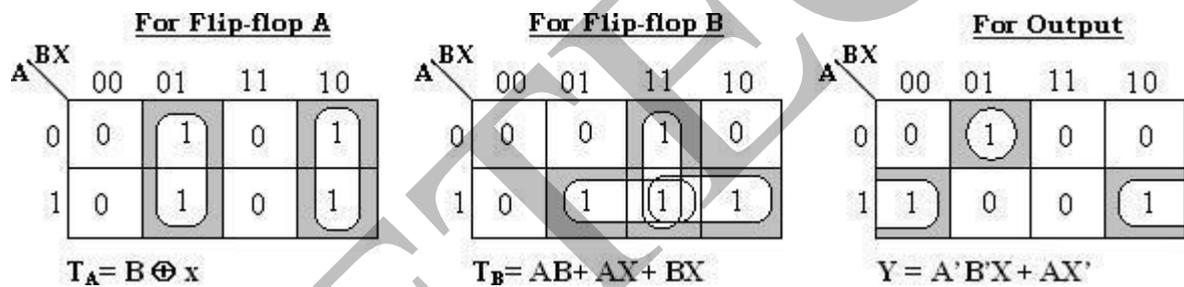
Present State	Next State	Input
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	T
0	0	0
0	1	1
1	0	1
1	1	0

**Excitation table for T Flip-Flop**

Present state		Input	Next state		Flip-Flop Inputs		Output
A	B	X	A	B	T <sub>A</sub>	T <sub>B</sub>	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0

**Circuit excitation table**

K-map Simplification:



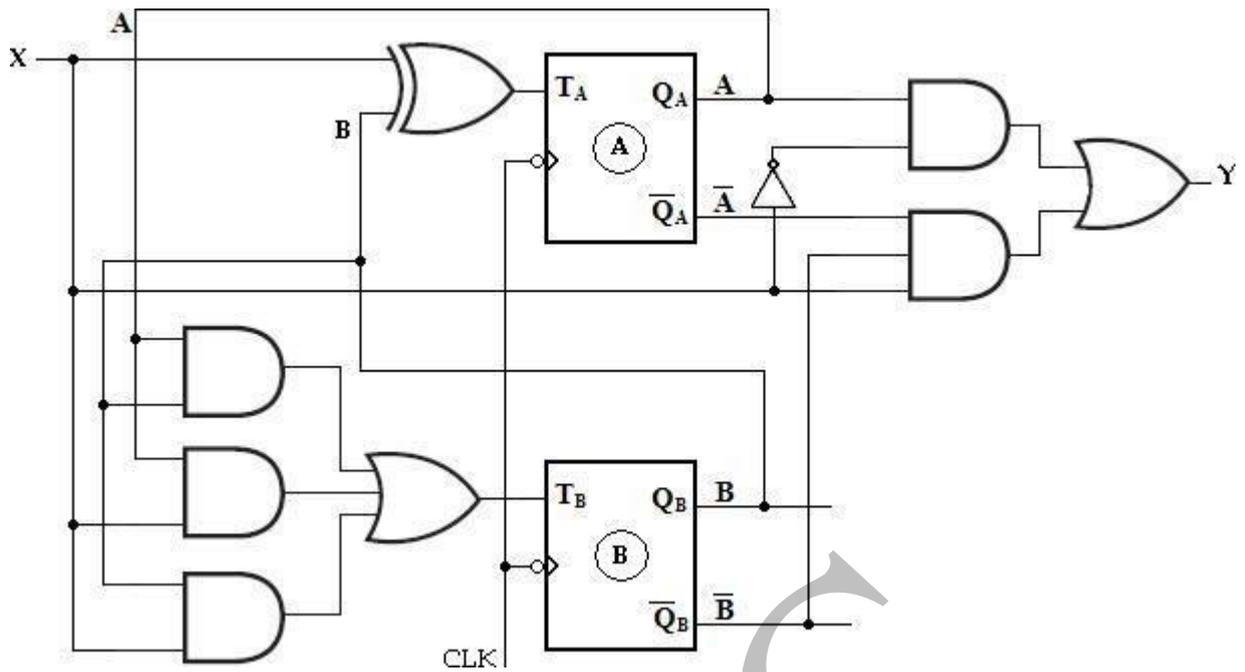
Therefore, input functions for,

$T_A = B \oplus X$  and

$T_B = AB + AX + BX$

Circuit output function,  $Y = XA'B' + X'A$

With these Flip-Flop input functions and circuit output function we can draw the logic diagram as follows.



**Logic diagram of given sequential circuit using T Flip-Flop**

**iii) Design using SR Flip-Flops:**

Using the excitation table for RS Flip-Flop, we can determine the excitation table for the given circuit as,

Present State	Next State	Inputs	
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	S	R
0	0	0	x
0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1
1	1	x	0

**Excitation table for SR Flip-Flop**

Present state		Input	Next state		Flip-Flop Inputs				Output
A	B	X	A	B	S <sub>A</sub>	R <sub>A</sub>	S <sub>B</sub>	R <sub>B</sub>	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0	x	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	x	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	0	x	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	x	0	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	x	0	0	x	1
1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	0	x	0	0	1	0

**Circuit excitation table**

## K-map Simplification:

### For Flip-flop A

For  $S_A$

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	0	1
1	x	0	x	0

$$S_A = A'B'X + A'BX'$$

$$= A'(B \oplus X)$$

For  $R_A$

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	x	0	x	0
1	0	1	0	1

$$R_A = ABX' + AB'X'$$

For Output

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1

$$Y = A'B'X + AX'$$

### For Flip-flop B

For  $S_B$

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	0	0	x
1	0	1	0	0

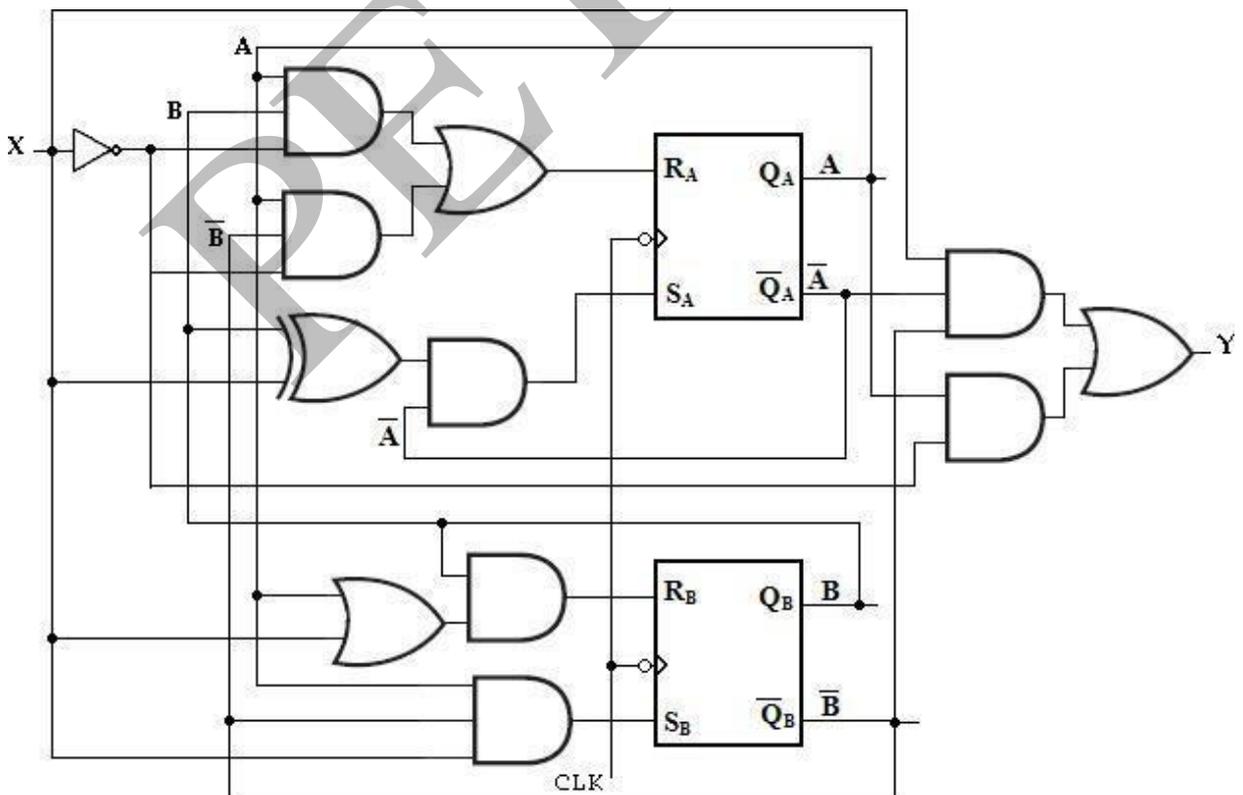
$$S_B = AB'X$$

For  $R_B$

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	x	x	1	0
1	x	0	1	1

$$R_B = AB + BX$$

With these Flip-Flop input functions and circuit output function we can draw the logic diagram as follows.



iii) Design using JK Flip-Flops:

Using the excitation table for JK Flip-Flop, we can determine the excitation table for the given circuit as,

Present State	Next State	Inputs	
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$	J	K
0	0	0	x
0	1	1	x
1	0	x	1
1	1	x	0

Excitation table for JK Flip-Flop

Present state		Input	Next state		Flip-Flop Inputs				Output
A	B	X	A	B	J <sub>A</sub>	K <sub>A</sub>	J <sub>B</sub>	K <sub>B</sub>	Y
0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0	x	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	x	0	x	1
0	1	0	1	1	1	x	x	0	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	x	x	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	x	0	0	x	1
1	0	1	0	1	x	1	1	x	0
1	1	0	0	0	x	1	x	1	1
1	1	1	1	0	x	0	x	1	0

Circuit excitation table

**K-map Simplification:**

For Flip-flop A

For J<sub>A</sub>

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	0	1
1	x	x	x	x

$$J_A = BX' + B'X$$

$$= B \oplus X$$

For K<sub>A</sub>

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	x	x	x	x
1	0	1	0	1

$$K_A = BX' + B'X$$

$$= B \oplus X$$

For Output

A \ BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	0	0
1	1	0	0	1

$$Y = A'B'X + AX'$$

**For Flip-flop B**

		For $J_B$			
A	BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	0	0	x	x
1	0	1	x	x	x

$J_B = AX$

		For $K_B$			
A	BX	00	01	11	10
0	0	x	x	1	0
1	0	x	x	1	1

$K_B = A + X$

The input functions for,

$$J_A = BX' + B'X$$

$$J_B = AX$$

$$= B \oplus X$$

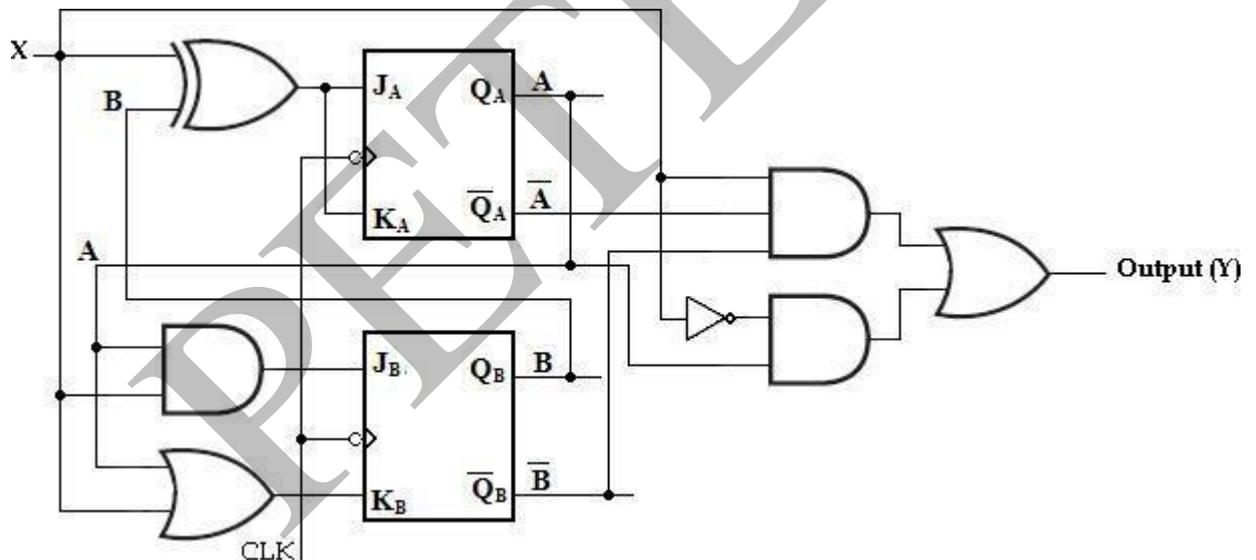
$$K_A = BX' + B'X$$

$$K_B = A + X$$

$$= B \oplus X$$

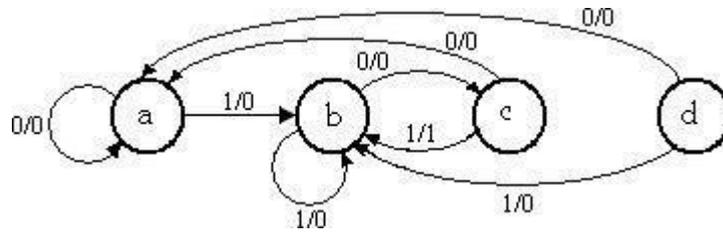
Circuit output function,  $Y = AX' + A'B'X$

With these Flip-Flop input functions and circuit output function we can draw the logic diagram as follows.



**Logic diagram of given sequential circuit using JK Flip-Flop**

2. Design a clocked sequential machine using JK Flip-Flops for the state diagram shown in the figure. Use state reduction if possible. Make proper state assignment.



**Soln:**

**State Table:**

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	b	0	0
c	a	b	0	1
d	a	b	0	0

From the above state table **a** and **d** generate exactly same next state and same output for every possible set of inputs. The state **a** and **d** go to next states **a** and **b** and have outputs 0 and 0 for x=0 and x=1 respectively. Therefore state **d** can be removed and replaced by **a**. The final reduced state table is shown below.

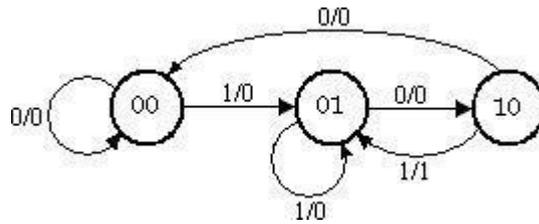
Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	c	b	0	0
c	a	b	0	1

**Reduced State table**

**Binary Assignment:**

Now each state is assigned with binary values. Since there are three states, number of Flip-Flops required is two and 2 binary numbers are assigned to the states. a= 00; b= 01; and c= 10

The reduced state diagram is drawn as,



**Reduced State Diagram**

**Excitation Table:**

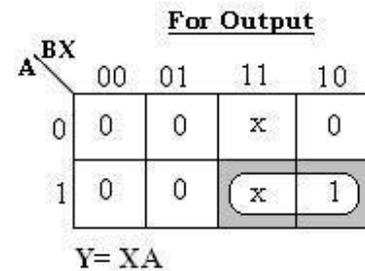
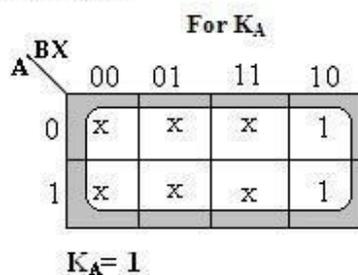
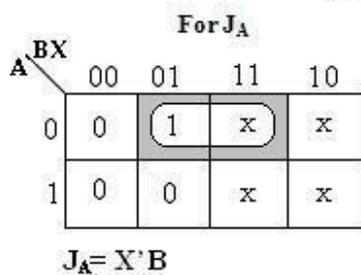
Present State	Next State	Inputs	
		J	K
$Q_n$	$Q_{n+1}$		
0	0	0	x
0	1	1	x
1	0	x	1
1	1	x	0

**Excitation table for JK Flip-Flop**

Input	Present state		Next state		Flip-Flop Inputs				Output	
	X	A	B	A	B	J <sub>A</sub>	K <sub>A</sub>	J <sub>B</sub>		K <sub>B</sub>
0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0	x	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	0	x	1	x	0	0
0	0	1	1	0	1	x	x	1	0	0
1	0	1	0	1	0	x	x	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	x	1	0	x	0	0
1	1	0	0	1	x	1	1	x	1	1
0	1	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
1	1	1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

**K-map Simplification:**

**For Flip-flop A**



**For Flip-flop B**

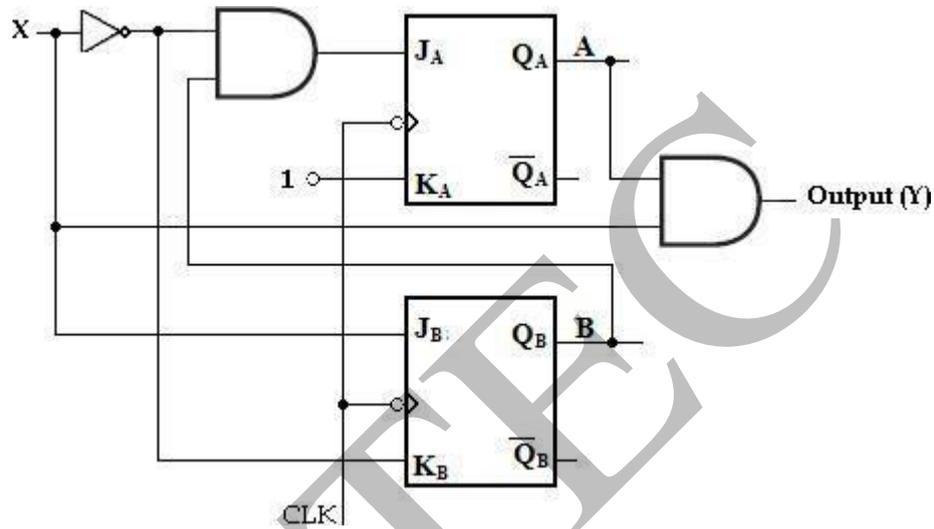
		For $J_B$			
A	BX	00	01	11	10
0		0	x	x	0
1		1	x	x	1

$J_B = X$

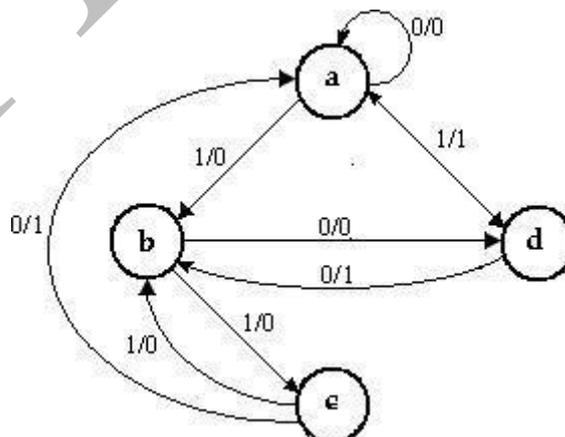
		For $K_B$			
A	BX	00	01	11	10
0		x	1	x	x
1		x	0	x	x

$K_B = X'$

With these Flip-Flop input functions and circuit output function we can draw the logic diagram as follows.



3. Design a clocked sequential machine using T Flip-Flops for the following state diagram. Use state reduction if possible. Also use straight binary state assignment.



**Soln:**

**State Table:**

State table for the given state diagram is,

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
a	a	b	0	0
b	d	c	0	0
c	a	b	1	0
d	b	a	1	1

Even though a and c are having same next states for input X=0 and X=1, as the outputs are not same state reduction is not possible.

### State Assignment:

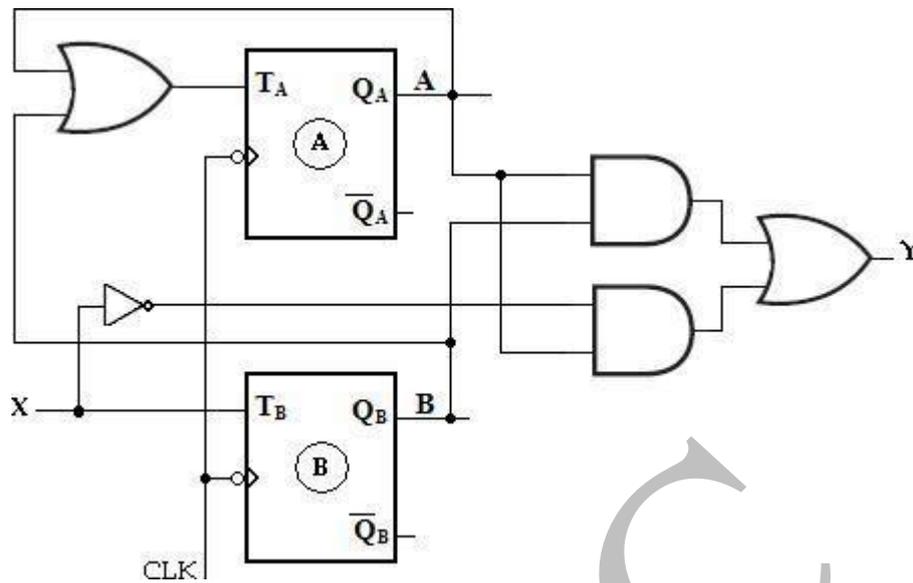
Use straight binary assignments as a= 00, b= 01, c= 10 and d= 11, the transition table is,

Input	Present state		Next state		Flip-Flop Inputs		Output
	X	A	B	A	B	T <sub>A</sub>	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1
1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1

### K-map simplification:

For Flip-flop A					For Flip-flop B					For Output				
X \ AB	00	01	11	10	X \ AB	00	01	11	10	X \ AB	00	01	11	10
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
$T_A = A+B$					$T_B = X$					$Z = AB + X'A$				

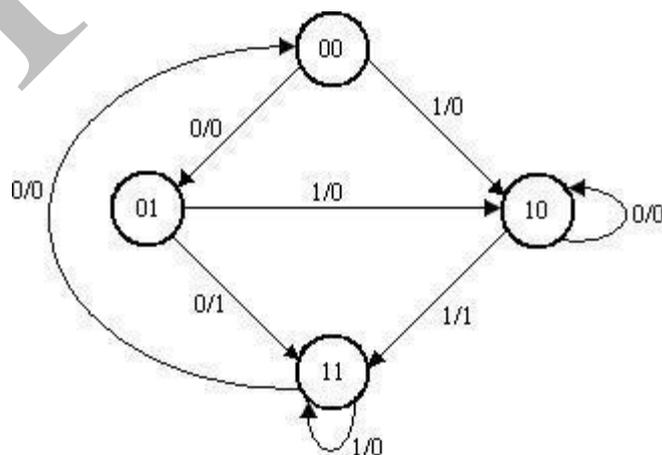
### Logic Diagram:



### 3.12 STATE ASSIGNMENT:

In sequential circuits, the behavior of the circuit is defined in terms of its inputs, present states, next states and outputs. To generate desired next state at particular present state and inputs, it is necessary to have specific Flip-Flop inputs. These Flip-Flop inputs are described by a set of Boolean functions called Flip-Flop input functions.

To determine the Flip-Flop functions, it is necessary to represent states in the state diagram using binary values instead of alphabets. This procedure is known as *state assignment*.



Reduced state diagram with binary states

### 3.15.1 Rules for state assignments

There are two basic rules for making state assignments.

**Rule 1:**

States having the **same** NEXT STATES for a given input condition should have assignments which can be grouped into logically adjacent cells in a K-map.

**Rule 2:**

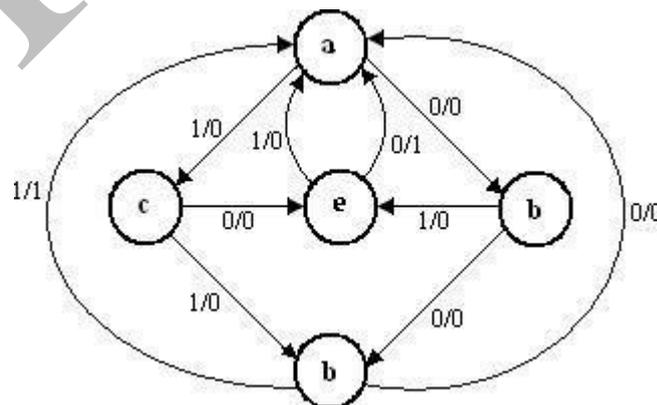
States that are the NEXT STATES of a single state should have assignment which can be grouped into logically adjacent cells in a K-map.

Present state	Next state		Output	
	X= 0	X= 1	X= 0	X= 1
00	01	10	0	0
01	11	10	1	0
10	10	11	0	1
11	00	11	0	0

State table with assignment states

### 3.15.2 State Assignment Problem:

1. Design a sequential circuit for a state diagram shown below. Use state assignment rules for assigning states and compare the required combinational circuit with random state assignment.



Using random state assignment we assign,  
a= 000, b= 001, c= 010, d= 011 and e= 100.

The excitation table with these assignments is given as,

Present state			Input	Next state			Output
$A_n$	$B_n$	$C_n$	$X$	$A_{n+1}$	$B_{n+1}$	$C_{n+1}$	$Z$
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	0	x	x	x	x
1	0	1	1	x	x	x	x
1	1	0	0	x	x	x	x
1	1	0	1	x	x	x	x
1	1	1	0	x	x	x	x
1	1	1	1	x	x	x	x

K-map Simplification:

$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	0	0	1	0
01	1	0	0	0
11	x	x	x	x
10	0	0	x	x

$D_A = B_n \bar{C}_n \bar{X} + \bar{B}_n C_n X$

$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	0	1	0	1
01	0	1	0	0
11	x	x	x	x
10	0	0	x	x

$D_B = \bar{A}_n \bar{C}_n X + \bar{B}_n C_n \bar{X}$

$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	1	0	0	1
01	0	1	0	0
11	x	x	x	x
10	0	0	x	x

$D_C = \bar{A}_n \bar{B}_n \bar{X} + B_n \bar{C}_n X$

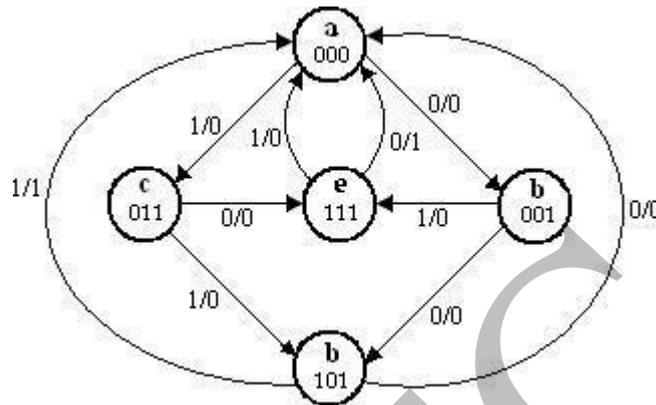
$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	0	0	0	0
01	0	0	1	0
11	x	x	x	x
10	1	0	x	x

$Z = B_n C_n X + A_n \bar{X}$

The random assignments require:  
 7 three input AND functions  
 1 two input AND function  
 4 two input OR functions

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 12 gates with 31 inputs

Now, we will apply the state assignment rules and compare the results.



**State diagram after applying Rules 1 and 2**

Rule 1 says that: e and d must be adjacent, and  
 b and c must be adjacent.

Rule 2 says that: e and d must be adjacent, and  
 b and c must be adjacent.

Applying Rule 1, Rule 2 to the state diagram we get the state assignment as,

Present state			Input	Next state			Output
A <sub>n</sub>	B <sub>n</sub>	C <sub>n</sub>	X	A <sub>n+1</sub>	B <sub>n+1</sub>	C <sub>n+1</sub>	Z
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	x	x	x	x
0	1	0	1	x	x	x	x
0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0	x	x	x	x
1	0	0	1	x	x	x	x
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
1	1	0	0	x	x	x	x
1	1	0	1	x	x	x	x
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0

K-map Simplification:

$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	0	0	1	1
01	X	X	1	1
11	X	X	0	0
10	X	X	0	0

$$A_{n+1} = D_A = \bar{A}_n C_n$$

$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	0	1	1	0
01	X	X	0	1
11	X	X	0	0
10	X	X	0	0

$$B_{n+1} = D_B = \bar{A}_n \bar{B}_n X + \bar{A}_n B_n \bar{X}$$

$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	1	1	1	1
01	X	X	1	1
11	X	X	0	0
10	X	X	0	0

$$C_{n+1} = D_C = \bar{A}_n$$

$A_n B_n \backslash C_n X$	00	01	11	10
00	0	0	1	0
01	X	X	0	0
11	X	X	0	1
10	X	X	1	0

$$Z = A_n B_n \bar{X} + A_n \bar{B}_n X$$

The state assignments using Rule 1 and 2 require:

- 4 three input AND functions
- 1 two input AND function
- 2 two input OR functions

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7 gates with 18 inputs

Thus by simply applying Rules 1 and 2 good results have been achieved.

### 3.14 SYNCHRONOUS COUNTERS

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Flip-Flops can be connected together to perform counting operations. Such a group of Flip-Flops is a **counter**. The number of Flip-Flops used and the way in which they are connected determine the number of states (called the modulus) and also the specific sequence of states that the counter goes through during each complete cycle.

Counters are classified into two broad categories according to the way they are clocked:

- ✚ Asynchronous counters,
- ✚ Synchronous counters.

In asynchronous (ripple) counters, the first Flip-Flop is clocked by the external clock pulse and then each successive Flip-Flop is clocked by the output of the preceding Flip-Flop.

In synchronous counters, the clock input is connected to all of the Flip-Flops so that they are clocked simultaneously. Within each of these two categories, counters are classified primarily by the type of sequence, the number of states, or the number of Flip-Flops in the counter.

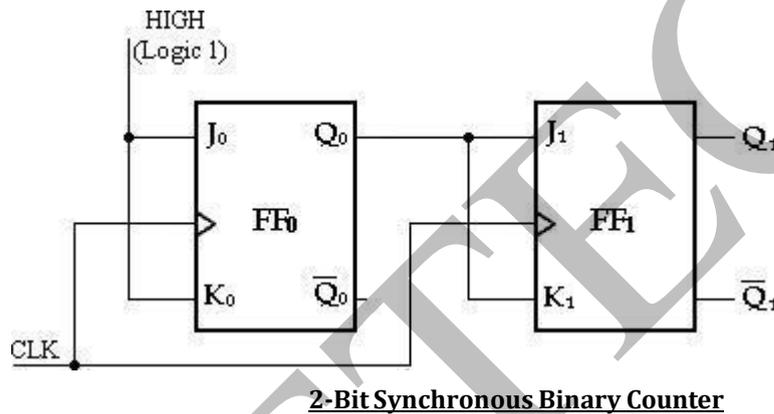
The term 'synchronous' refers to events that have a fixed time relationship with each other. In synchronous counter, the clock pulses are applied to all Flip-Flops simultaneously. Hence there is minimum propagation delay.

S.No	Asynchronous (ripple) counter	Synchronous counter
1	All the Flip-Flops are not clocked simultaneously.	All the Flip-Flops are clocked simultaneously.
2	The delay times of all Flip-Flops are added. Therefore there is considerable propagation delay.	There is minimum propagation delay.
3	Speed of operation is low	Speed of operation is high.
4	Logic circuit is very simple	Design involves complex logic circuit

	even for more number of states.	as number of state increases.
5	Minimum numbers of logic devices are needed.	The number of logic devices is more than ripple counters.
6	Cheaper than synchronous counters.	Costlier than ripple counters.

### 3.14.1 2-Bit Synchronous Binary Counter

In this counter the clock signal is connected in parallel to clock inputs of both the Flip-Flops (FF<sub>0</sub> and FF<sub>1</sub>). The output of FF<sub>0</sub> is connected to J<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>1</sub> inputs of the second Flip-Flop (FF<sub>1</sub>).

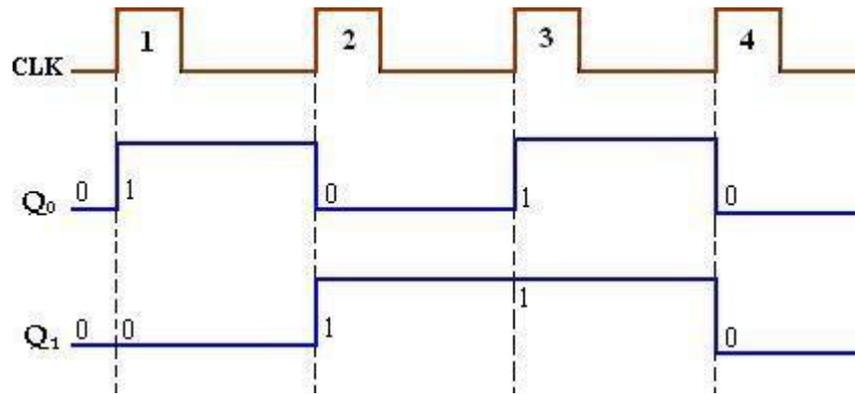


Assume that the counter is initially in the binary 0 state: i.e., both Flip-Flops are RESET. When the positive edge of the first clock pulse is applied, FF<sub>0</sub> will toggle because  $J_0 = K_0 = 1$ , whereas FF<sub>1</sub> output will remain 0 because  $J_1 = K_1 = 0$ . After the first clock pulse  $Q_0 = 1$  and  $Q_1 = 0$ .

When the leading edge of CLK<sub>2</sub> occurs, FF<sub>0</sub> will toggle and  $Q_0$  will go LOW. Since FF<sub>1</sub> has a HIGH ( $Q_0 = 1$ ) on its J<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>1</sub> inputs at the triggering edge of this clock pulse, the Flip-Flop toggles and  $Q_1$  goes HIGH. Thus, after CLK<sub>2</sub>,  $Q_0 = 0$  and  $Q_1 = 1$ .

When the leading edge of CLK<sub>3</sub> occurs, FF<sub>0</sub> again toggles to the SET state ( $Q_0 = 1$ ), and FF<sub>1</sub> remains SET ( $Q_1 = 1$ ) because its J<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>1</sub> inputs are both LOW ( $Q_0 = 0$ ). After this triggering edge,  $Q_0 = 1$  and  $Q_1 = 1$ .

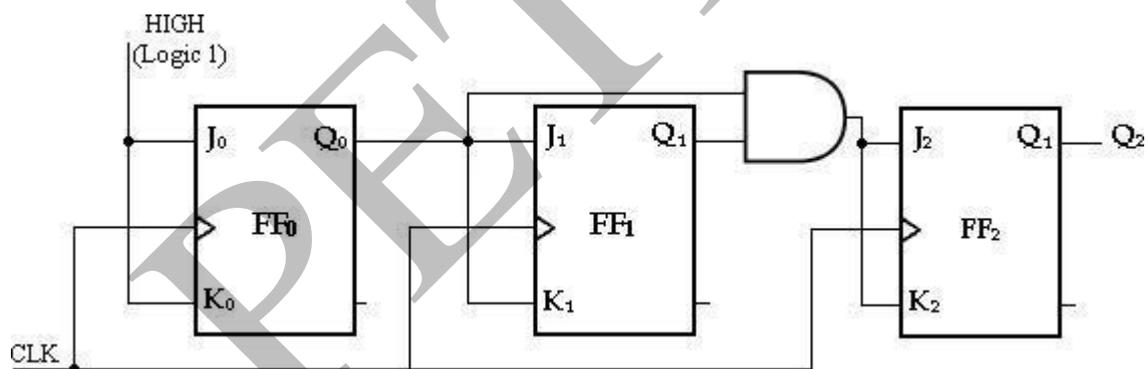
Finally, at the leading edge of CLK<sub>4</sub>,  $Q_0$  and  $Q_1$  go LOW because they both have a toggle condition on their J<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>1</sub> inputs. The counter has now recycled to its original state,  $Q_0 = Q_1 = 0$ .



**Timing diagram**

### 3.14.2 3-Bit Synchronous Binary Counter

A 3 bit synchronous binary counter is constructed with three JK Flip-Flops and an AND gate. The output of FF<sub>0</sub> (Q<sub>0</sub>) changes on each clock pulse as the counter progresses from its original state to its final state and then back to its original state. To produce this operation, FF<sub>0</sub> must be held in the toggle mode by constant HIGH, on its J<sub>0</sub> and K<sub>0</sub> inputs.



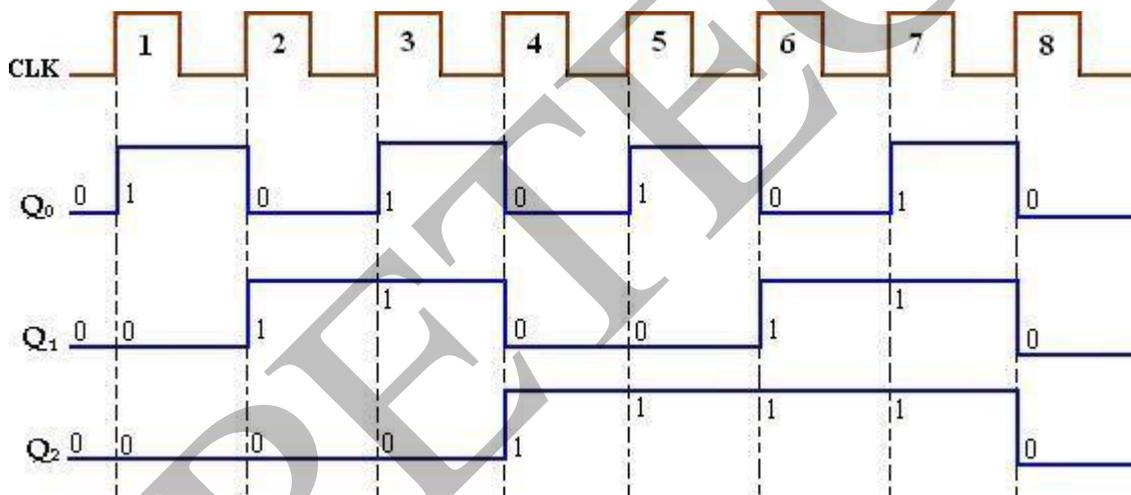
**3-Bit Synchronous Binary Counter**

The output of FF<sub>1</sub> (Q<sub>1</sub>) goes to the opposite state following each time Q<sub>0</sub> = 1. This change occurs at CLK<sub>2</sub>, CLK<sub>4</sub>, CLK<sub>6</sub>, and CLK<sub>8</sub>. The CLK<sub>8</sub> pulse causes the counter to recycle. To produce this operation, Q<sub>0</sub> is connected to the J<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>1</sub> inputs of FF<sub>1</sub>. When Q<sub>0</sub> = 1 and a clock pulse occurs, FF<sub>1</sub> is in the toggle mode and therefore changes state. When Q<sub>0</sub> = 0, FF<sub>1</sub> is in the no-change mode and remains in its present state.

The output of FF<sub>2</sub> (Q<sub>2</sub>) changes state both times; it is preceded by the unique condition in which both Q<sub>0</sub> and Q<sub>1</sub> are HIGH. This condition is detected by the AND gate and applied to the J<sub>2</sub> and K<sub>2</sub> inputs of FF<sub>3</sub>. Whenever both outputs Q<sub>0</sub> = Q<sub>1</sub> = 1,

the output of the AND gate makes the  $J_2= K_2= 1$  and FF<sub>2</sub> toggles on the following clock pulse. Otherwise, the  $J_2$  and  $K_2$  inputs of FF<sub>2</sub> are held LOW by the AND gate output, FF<sub>2</sub> does not change state.

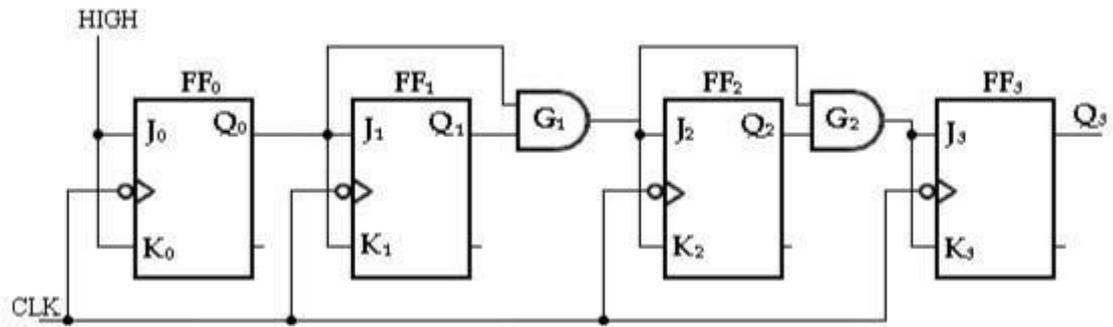
CLOCK Pulse	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>1</sub>	Q <sub>0</sub>
Initially	0	0	0
1	0	0	1
2	0	1	0
3	0	1	1
4	1	0	0
5	1	0	1
6	1	1	0
7	1	1	1
8 (recycles)	0	0	0



**Timing diagram**

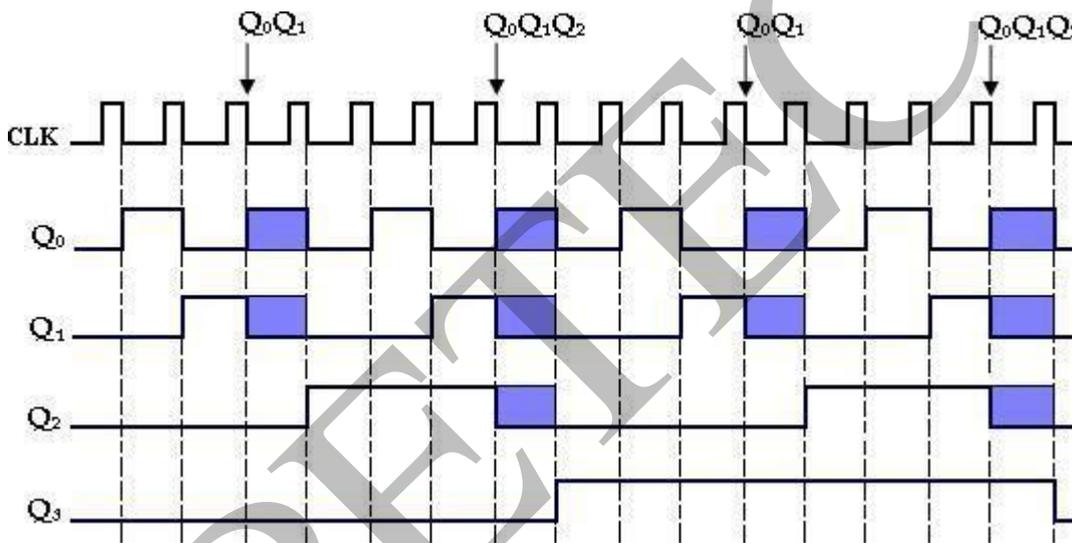
### 3.14.3 4-Bit Synchronous Binary Counter

This particular counter is implemented with negative edge-triggered Flip-Flops. The reasoning behind the J and K input control for the first three Flip-Flops is the same as previously discussed for the 3-bit counter. For the fourth stage, the Flip-Flop has to change the state when  $Q_0= Q_1= Q_2= 1$ . This condition is decoded by AND gate G<sub>3</sub>.



**4-Bit Synchronous Binary Counter**

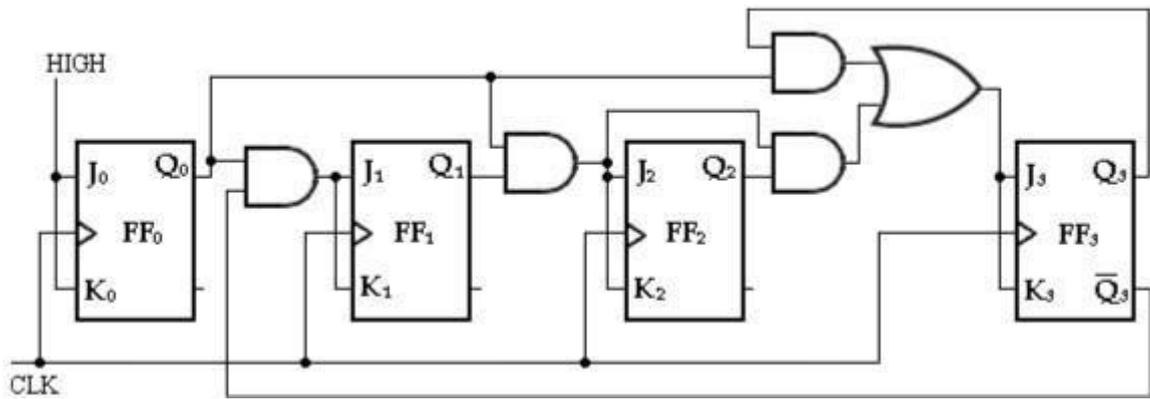
Therefore, when  $Q_0 = Q_1 = Q_2 = 1$ , Flip-Flop FF<sub>3</sub> toggles and for all other times it is in a no-change condition. Points where the AND gate outputs are HIGH are indicated by the shaded areas.



**Timing diagram**

### 3.14.4 4-Bit Synchronous Decade Counter: (BCD Counter):

BCD decade counter has a sequence from 0000 to 1001 (9). After 1001 state it must recycle back to 0000 state. This counter requires four Flip-Flops and AND/OR logic as shown below.



**4-Bit Synchronous Decade Counter**

CLOCK Pulse	Q <sub>3</sub>	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>1</sub>	Q <sub>0</sub>
Initially	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	1	1
4	0	1	0	0
5	0	1	0	1
6	0	1	1	0
7	0	1	1	1
8	1	0	0	0
9	1	0	0	1
10(recycles)	0	0	0	0

1. First, notice that FF<sub>0</sub> (Q<sub>0</sub>) toggles on each clock pulse, so the logic equation for its J<sub>0</sub> and K<sub>0</sub> inputs is

$$J_0 = K_0 = 1$$

This equation is implemented by connecting J<sub>0</sub> and K<sub>0</sub> to a constant HIGH level.

2. Next, notice from table, that FF<sub>1</sub> (Q<sub>1</sub>) changes on the next clock pulse each time Q<sub>0</sub> = 1 and Q<sub>3</sub> = 0, so the logic equation for the J<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>1</sub> inputs is

$$J_1 = K_1 = Q_0 Q_3'$$

This equation is implemented by ANDing Q<sub>0</sub> and Q<sub>3</sub> and connecting the gate output to the J<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>1</sub> inputs of FF<sub>1</sub>.

3. Flip-Flop 2 (Q<sub>2</sub>) changes on the next clock pulse each time both Q<sub>0</sub> = Q<sub>1</sub> = 1. This requires an input logic equation as follows:

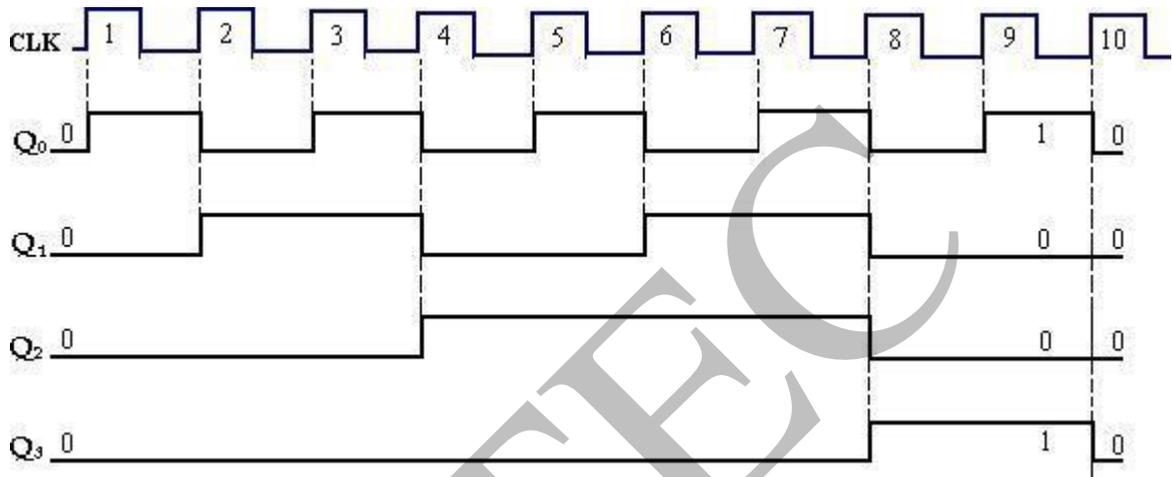
$$J_2 = K_2 = Q_0 Q_1$$

This equation is implemented by ANDing Q<sub>0</sub> and Q<sub>1</sub> and connecting the gate output to the J<sub>2</sub> and K<sub>2</sub> inputs of FF<sub>2</sub>.

4. Finally, FF<sub>3</sub> (Q<sub>3</sub>) changes to the opposite state on the next clock pulse each time Q<sub>0</sub> = 1, Q<sub>1</sub> = 1, and Q<sub>2</sub> = 1 (state 7), or when Q<sub>0</sub> = 1 and Q<sub>1</sub> = 1 (state 9). The equation for this is as follows:

$$J_3 = K_3 = Q_0 Q_1 Q_2 + Q_0 Q_3$$

This function is implemented with the AND/OR logic connected to the J<sub>3</sub> and K<sub>3</sub> inputs of FF<sub>3</sub>.



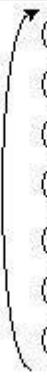
**Timing diagram**

### 3.14.5 Synchronous UP/DOWN Counter

An up/down counter is a bidirectional counter, capable of progressing in either direction through a certain sequence. A 3-bit binary counter that advances upward through its sequence (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7) and then can be reversed so that it goes through the sequence in the opposite direction (7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0) is an illustration of up/down sequential operation.

The complete up/down sequence for a 3-bit binary counter is shown in table below. The arrows indicate the state-to-state movement of the counter for both its UP and its DOWN modes of operation. An examination of Q<sub>0</sub> for both the up and down sequences shows that FF<sub>0</sub> toggles on each clock pulse. Thus, the J<sub>0</sub> and K<sub>0</sub> inputs of FF<sub>0</sub> are,

$$J_0 = K_0 = 1$$

CLOCK PULSE	UP	Q <sub>2</sub>	Q <sub>1</sub>	Q <sub>0</sub>	DOWN
0		0	0	0	
1		0	0	1	
2		0	1	0	
3		0	1	1	
4		1	0	0	
5		1	0	1	
6		1	1	0	
7		1	1	1	

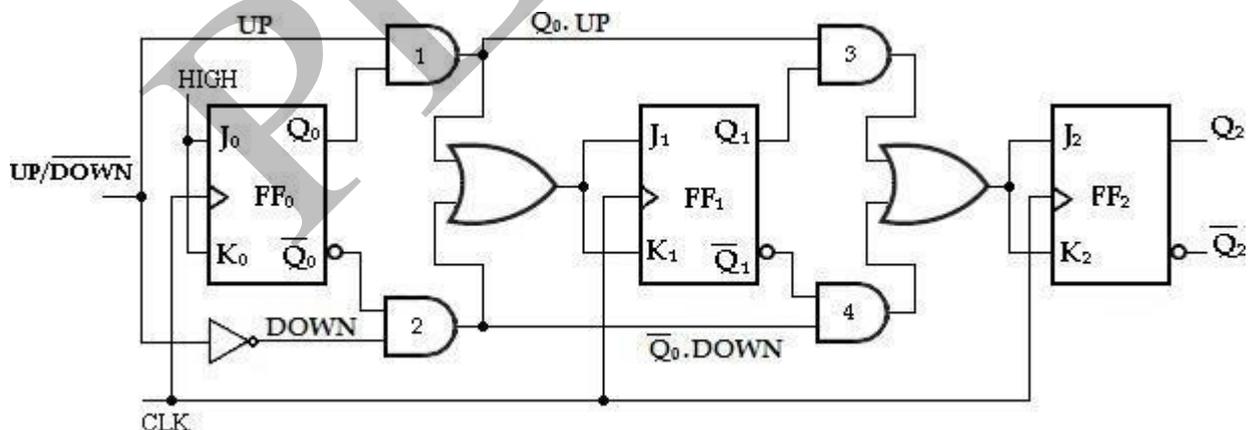
To form a synchronous UP/DOWN counter, the control input (UP/DOWN) is used to allow either the normal output or the inverted output of one Flip-Flop to the J and K inputs of the next Flip-Flop. When UP/DOWN= 1, the MOD 8 counter will count from 000 to 111 and UP/DOWN= 0, it will count from 111 to 000.

When UP/DOWN= 1, it will enable AND gates 1 and 3 and disable AND gates 2 and 4. This allows the Q<sub>0</sub> and Q<sub>1</sub> outputs through the AND gates to the J and K inputs of the following Flip-Flops, so the counter counts up as pulses are applied.

When UP/DOWN= 0, the reverse action takes place.

$$J_1 = K_1 = (Q_0 \cdot UP) + (Q_0' \cdot DOWN)$$

$$J_2 = K_2 = (Q_0 \cdot Q_1 \cdot UP) + (Q_0' \cdot Q_1' \cdot DOWN)$$



**3-bit UP/DOWN Synchronous Counter**

### 3.14.6 MODULUS-N-COUNTERS

The counter with 'n' Flip-Flops has maximum MOD number  $2^n$ . Find the number of Flip-Flops (n) required for the desired MOD number (N) using the equation,

$$2^n \geq N$$

- (i) For example, a 3 bit binary counter is a MOD 8 counter. The basic counter can be modified to produce MOD numbers less than  $2^n$  by allowing the counter to skip those that are normally part of counting sequence.

$$n = 3$$

$$N = 8$$

$$2^n = 2^3 = 8 = N$$

- (ii) **MOD 5 Counter:**

$$2^n = N$$

$$2^2 = 5$$

$$2^2 = 4 \text{ less than } N.$$

$$2^3 = 8 > N(5)$$

Therefore, 3 Flip-Flops are required.

- (iii) **MOD 10 Counter:**

$$2^n = N = 10$$

$$2^3 = 8 \text{ less than } N.$$

$$2^4 = 16 > N(10).$$

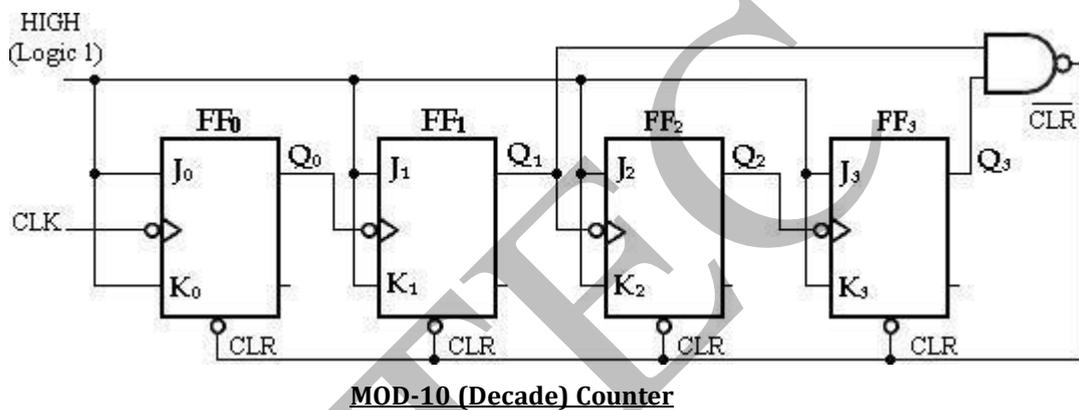
To construct any MOD-N counter, the following methods can be used.

1. Find the number of Flip-Flops (n) required for the desired MOD number (N) using the equation,  
$$2^n \geq N.$$
2. Connect all the Flip-Flops as a required counter.
3. Find the binary number for N.
4. Connect all Flip-Flop outputs for which Q= 1 when the count is N, as inputs to NAND gate.
5. Connect the NAND gate output to the CLR input of each Flip-Flop.

When the counter reaches  $N^{\text{th}}$  state, the output of the NAND gate goes LOW, resetting all Flip-Flops to 0. Therefore the counter counts from 0 through  $N-1$ .

For example, MOD-10 counter reaches state 10 (1010). i.e.,  $Q_3Q_2Q_1Q_0 = 1\ 0\ 1\ 0$ . The outputs  $Q_3$  and  $Q_1$  are connected to the NAND gate and the output of the NAND gate goes LOW and resetting all Flip-Flops to zero. Therefore MOD-10 counter counts from 0000 to 1001. And then recycles to the zero value.

The MOD-10 counter circuit is shown below.



### 3.15 SHIFT REGISTERS:

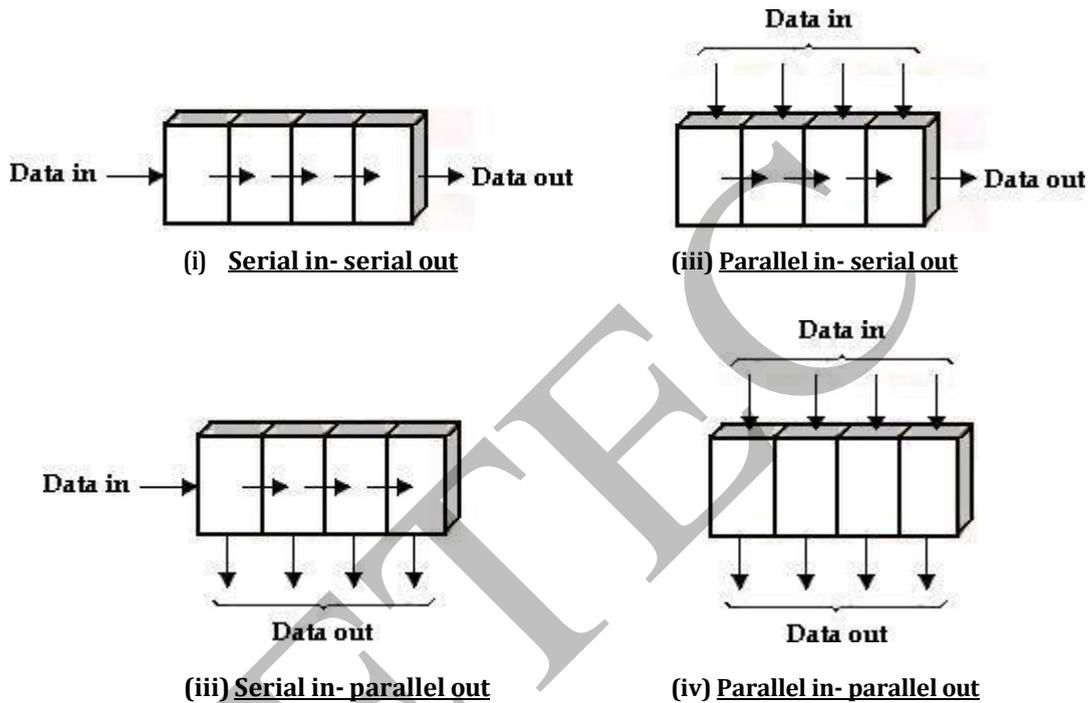
A register is simply a group of Flip-Flops that can be used to store a binary number. There must be one Flip-Flop for each bit in the binary number. For instance, a register used to store an 8-bit binary number must have 8 Flip-Flops.

The Flip-Flops must be connected such that the binary number can be entered (shifted) into the register and possibly shifted out. A group of Flip-Flops connected to provide either or both of these functions is called a *shift register*.

The bits in a binary number (data) can be removed from one place to another in either of two ways. The first method involves shifting the data one bit at a time in a serial fashion, beginning with either the most significant bit (MSB) or the least significant bit (LSB). This technique is referred to as *serial shifting*. The second method involves shifting all the data bits simultaneously and is referred to as *parallel shifting*.

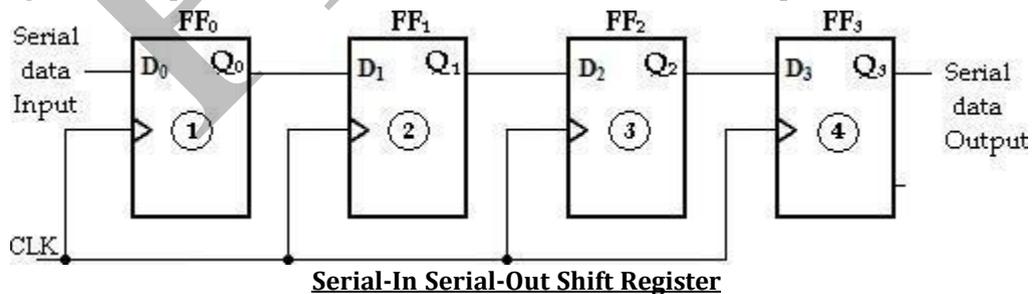
There are two ways to shift into a register (serial or parallel) and similarly two ways to shift the data out of the register. This leads to the construction of four basic register types—

- i. Serial in- serial out,
- ii. Serial in- parallel out,
- iii. Parallel in- serial out,
- iv. Parallel in- parallel out.



### 3.15.1 Serial-In Serial-Out Shift Register:

The serial in/serial out shift register accepts data serially, i.e., one bit at a time on a single line. It produces the stored information on its output also in serial form.



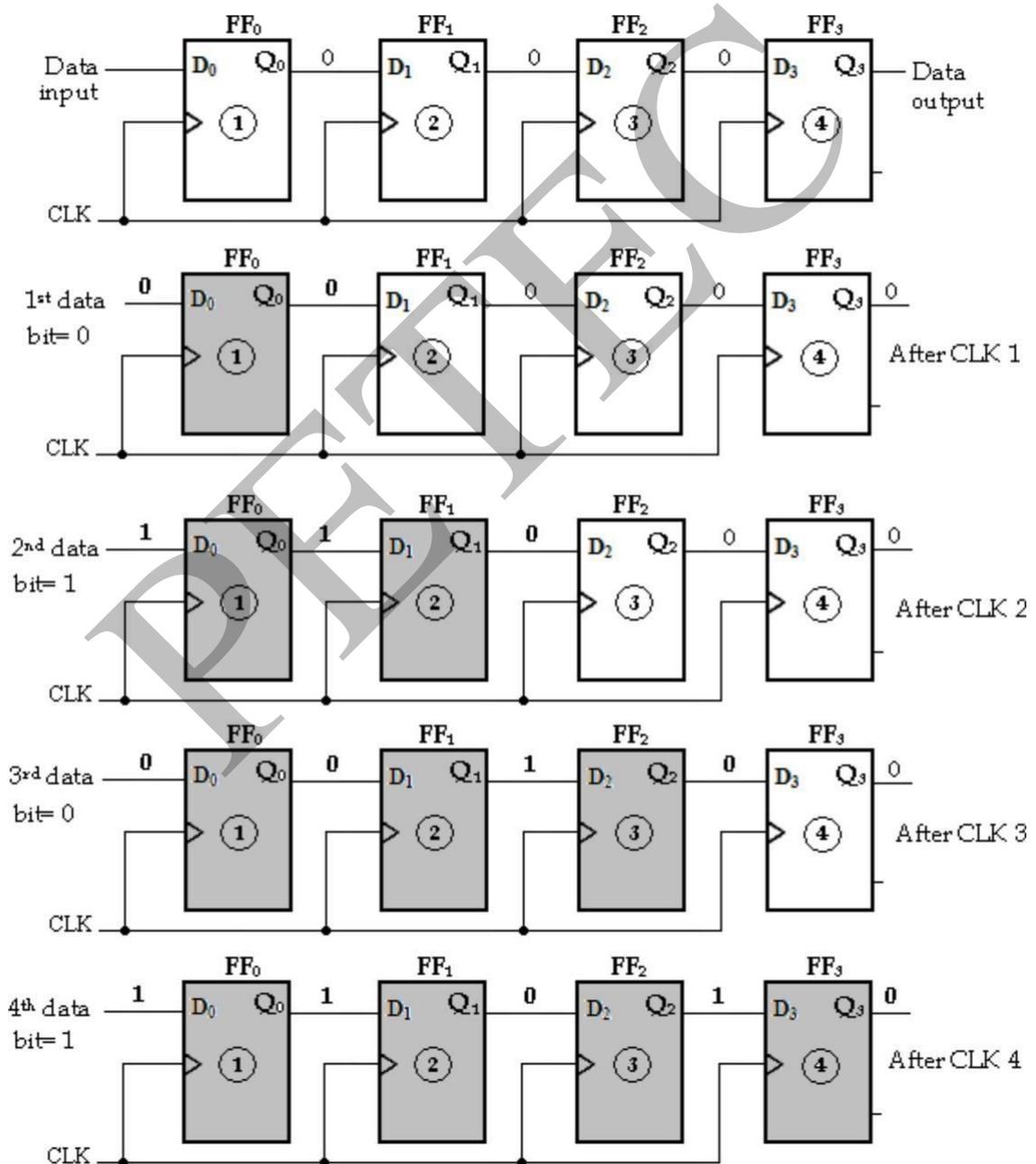
The entry of the four bits 1010 into the register is illustrated below, beginning with the right-most bit. The register is initially clear. The 0 is put onto the data input line, making D=0 for FF<sub>0</sub>. When the first clock pulse is applied, FF<sub>0</sub> is reset, thus storing the 0.

Next the second bit, which is a 1, is applied to the data input, making D=1 for FF<sub>0</sub> and D=0 for FF<sub>1</sub> because the D input of FF<sub>1</sub> is connected to the Q<sub>0</sub> output. When

the second clock pulse occurs, the 1 on the data input is shifted into FF0, causing FF0 to set; and the 0 that was in FF0 is shifted into FF1.

The third bit, a 0, is now put onto the data-input line, and a clock pulse is applied. The 0 is entered into FF0, the 1 stored in FF0 is shifted into FF1, and the 0 stored in FF1 is shifted into FF2.

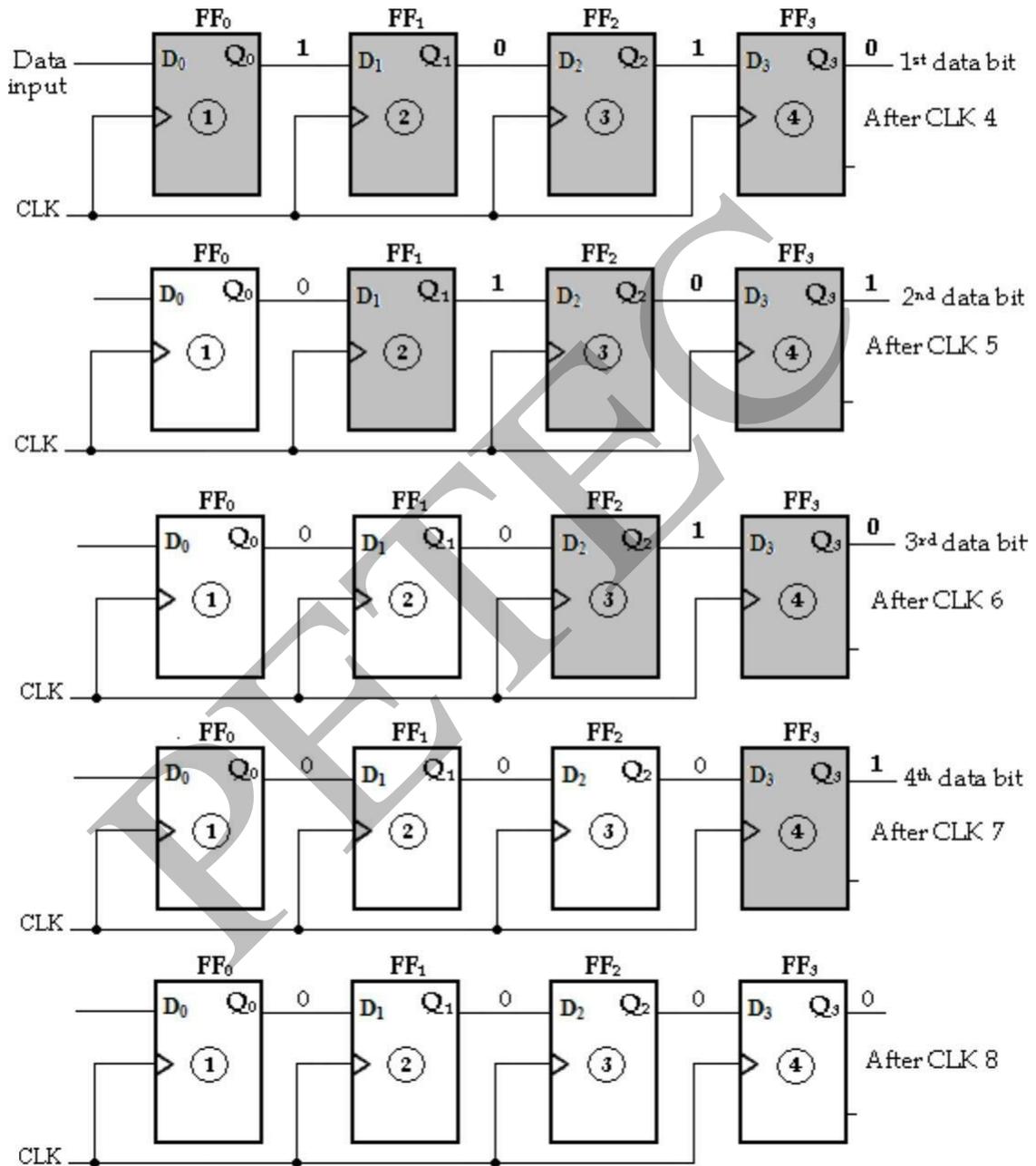
The last bit, a 1, is now applied to the data input, and a clock pulse is applied. This time the 1 is entered into FF0, the 0 stored in FF0 is shifted into FF1, the 1 stored in FF1 is shifted into FF2, and the 0 stored in FF2 is shifted into FF3. This completes the serial entry of the four bits into the shift register, where they can be stored for any length of time as long as the Flip-Flops have dc power.



**Four bits (1010) being entered serially into the register**

To get the data out of the register, the bits must be shifted out serially and taken off the Q3 output. After CLK4, the right-most bit, 0, appears on the Q3 output.

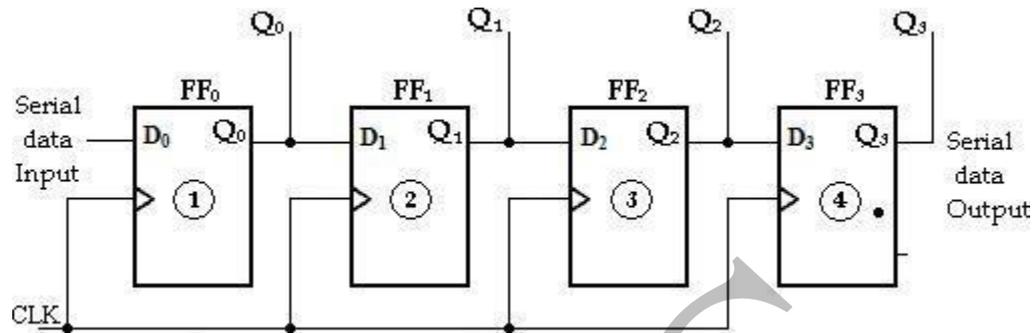
When clock pulse CLK5 is applied, the second bit appears on the Q3 output. Clock pulse CLK6 shifts the third bit to the output, and CLK7 shifts the fourth bit to the output. While the original four bits are being shifted out, more bits can be shifted in. All zeros are shown being shifted out, more bits can be shifted in.



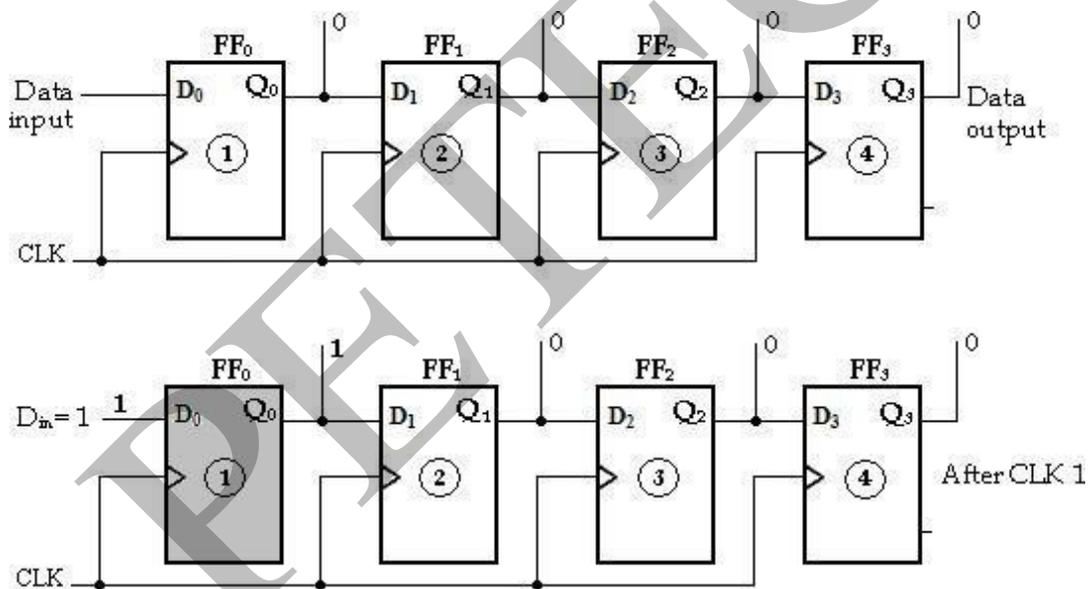
Four bits (1010) being entered serially-shifted out of the register and replaced by all zeros

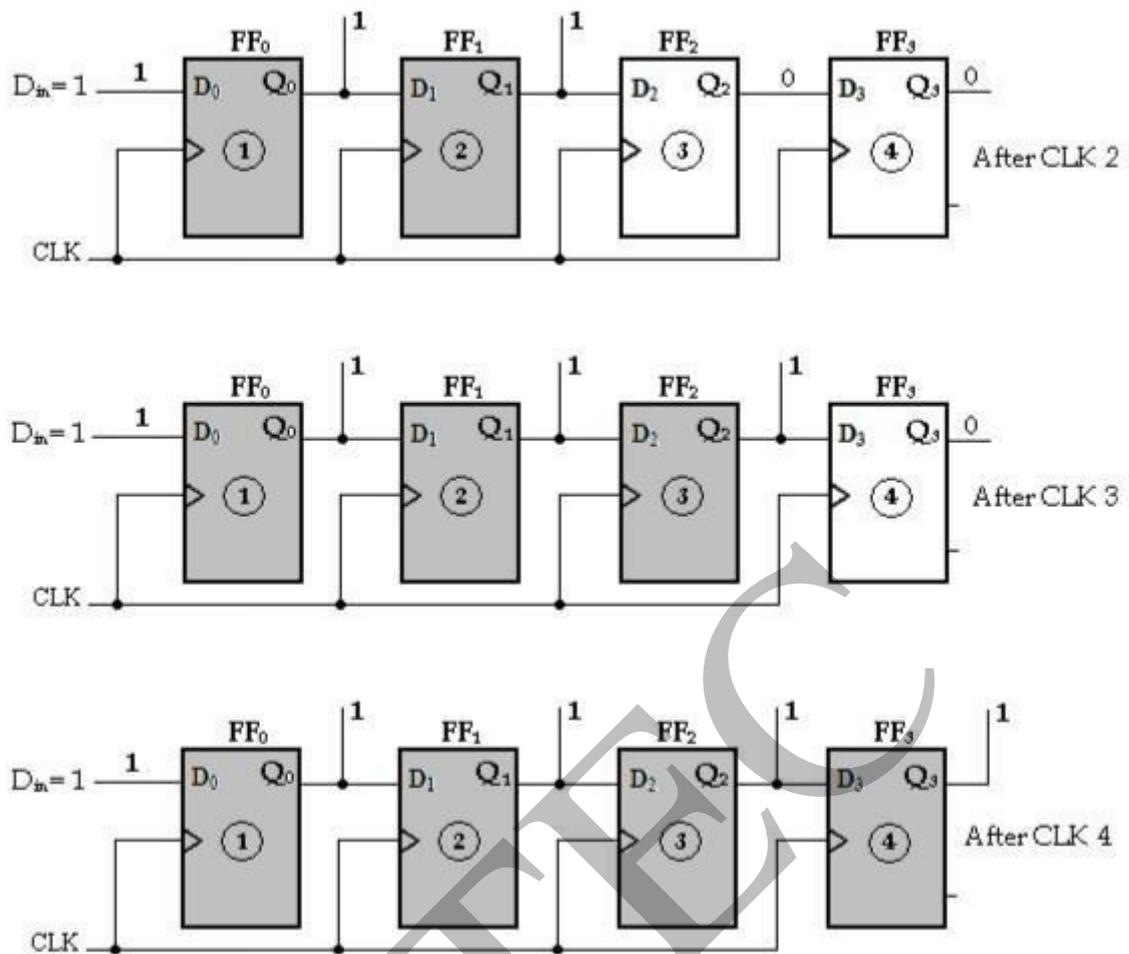
### 3.15.2 Serial-In Parallel-Out Shift Register:

In this shift register, data bits are entered into the register in the same as serial-in serial-out shift register. But the output is taken in parallel. Once the data are stored, each bit appears on its respective output line and all bits are available simultaneously instead of on a bit-by-bit.



**Serial-In parallel-Out Shift Register**





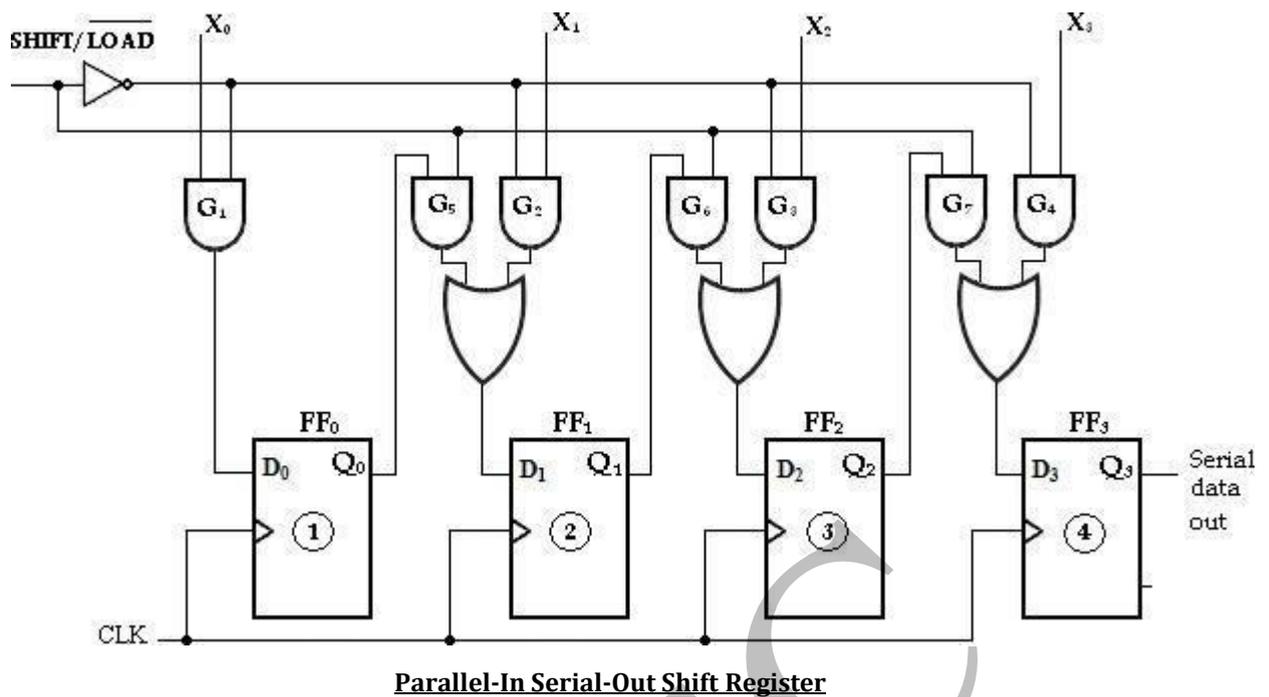
Four bits (1111) being serially entered into the register

### 3.15.3 Parallel-In Serial-Out Shift Register:

In this type, the bits are entered in parallel i.e., simultaneously into their respective stages on parallel lines.

A 4-bit parallel-in serial-out shift register is illustrated below. There are four data input lines,  $X_0$ ,  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  and  $X_3$  for entering data in parallel into the register. SHIFT/LOAD input is the control input, which allows four bits of data to **load** in parallel into the register.

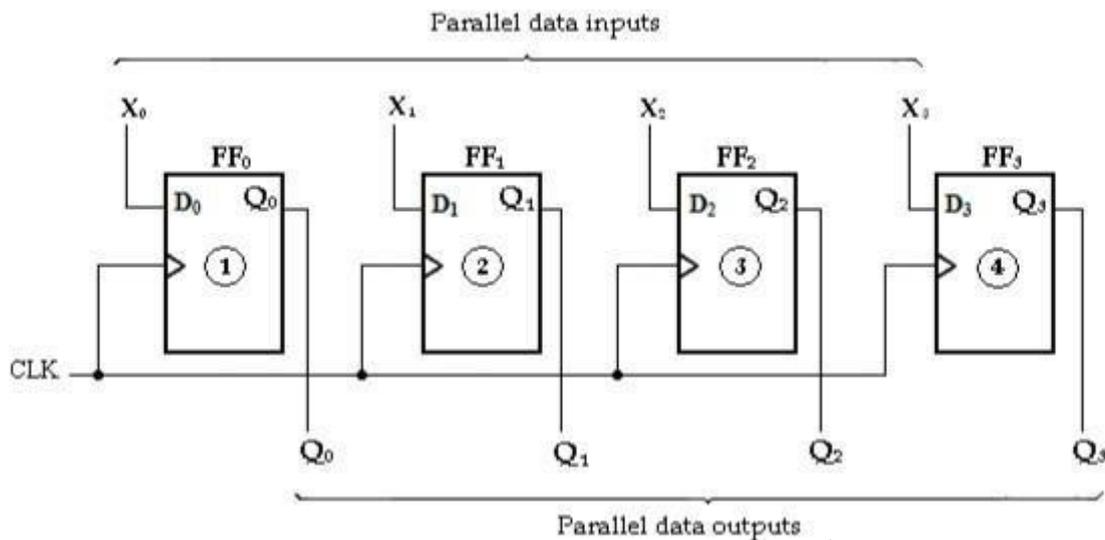
When SHIFT/LOAD is LOW, gates  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ ,  $G_3$  and  $G_4$  are enabled, allowing each data bit to be applied to the D input of its respective Flip-Flop. When a clock pulse is applied, the Flip-Flops with  $D = 1$  will **set** and those with  $D = 0$  will **reset**, thereby storing all four bits simultaneously.



When SHIFT/LOAD is HIGH, gates  $G_1$ ,  $G_2$ ,  $G_3$  and  $G_4$  are disabled and gates  $G_5$ ,  $G_6$  and  $G_7$  are enabled, allowing the data bits to shift right from one stage to the next. The OR gates allow either the normal shifting operation or the parallel data-entry operation, depending on which AND gates are enabled by the level on the SHIFT/LOAD input.

#### 3.15.4 Parallel-In Parallel-Out Shift Register:

In this type, there is simultaneous entry of all data bits and the bits appear on parallel outputs simultaneously.



**Parallel-In Parallel-Out Shift Register**

### 3.15.5 UNIVERSAL SHIFT REGISTERS

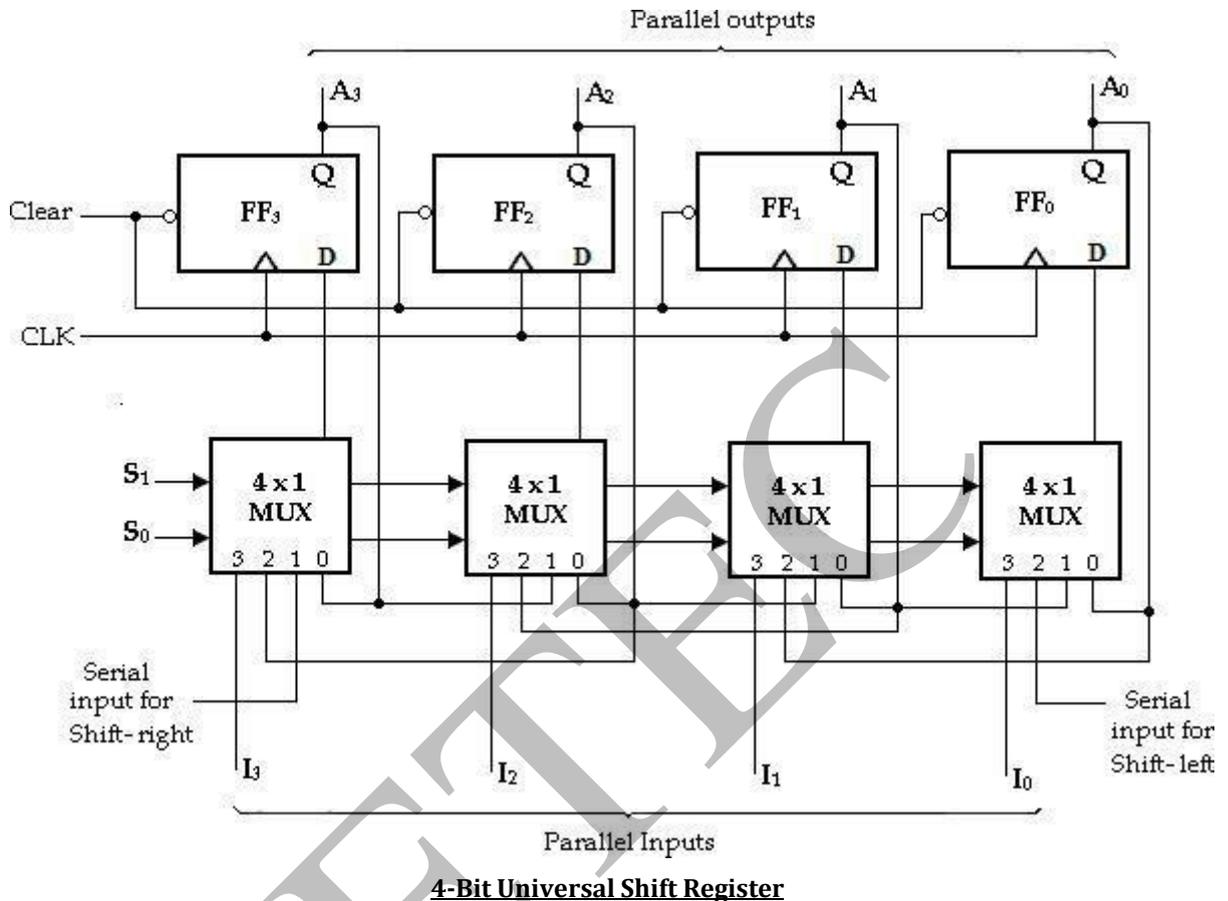
If the register has shift and parallel load capabilities, then it is called a shift register with parallel load or *universal shift register*. Shift register can be used for converting serial data to parallel data, and vice-versa. If a parallel load capability is added to a shift register, the data entered in parallel can be taken out in serial fashion by shifting the data stored in the register.

The functions of universal shift register are:

1. A clear control to clear the register to 0.
2. A clock input to synchronize the operations.
3. A shift-right control to enable the shift right operation and the serial input and output lines associated with the shift right.
4. A shift-left control to enable the shift left operation and the serial input and output lines associated with the shift left.
5. A parallel-load control to enable a parallel transfer and the n input lines associated with the parallel transfer.
6. 'n' parallel output lines.
7. A control line that leaves the information in the register unchanged even though the clock pulses re continuously applied.

It consists of four D-Flip-Flops and four 4 input multiplexers (MUX).  $S_0$  and  $S_1$  are the two selection inputs connected to all the four multiplexers. These two selection inputs are used to select one of the four inputs of each multiplexer.

The input 0 in each MUX is selected when  $S_1S_0 = 00$  and input 1 is selected when  $S_1S_0 = 01$ . Similarly inputs 2 and 3 are selected when  $S_1S_0 = 10$  and  $S_1S_0 = 11$  respectively. The inputs  $S_1$  and  $S_0$  control the mode of the operation of the register.



When  $S_1S_0 = 00$ , the present value of the register is applied to the D-inputs of the Flip-Flops. This is done by connecting the output of each Flip-Flop to the 0 input of the respective multiplexer. The next clock pulse transfers into each Flip-Flop, the binary value is held previously, and hence no change of state occurs.

When  $S_1S_0 = 01$ , terminal 1 of the multiplexer inputs has a path to the D inputs of the Flip-Flops. This causes a shift-right operation with the left serial input transferred into Flip-Flop  $FF_3$ .

When  $S_1S_0 = 10$ , a shift-left operation results with the right serial input going into Flip-Flop  $FF_1$ .

Finally when  $S_1S_0 = 11$ , the binary information on the parallel input lines ( $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ ,  $I_3$  and  $I_4$ ) are transferred into the register simultaneously during the next clock pulse.

The function table of bi-directional shift register with parallel inputs and parallel outputs is shown below.

Mode Control		Operation
S <sub>1</sub>	S <sub>0</sub>	
0	0	No change
0	1	Shift-right
1	0	Shift-left
1	1	Parallel load

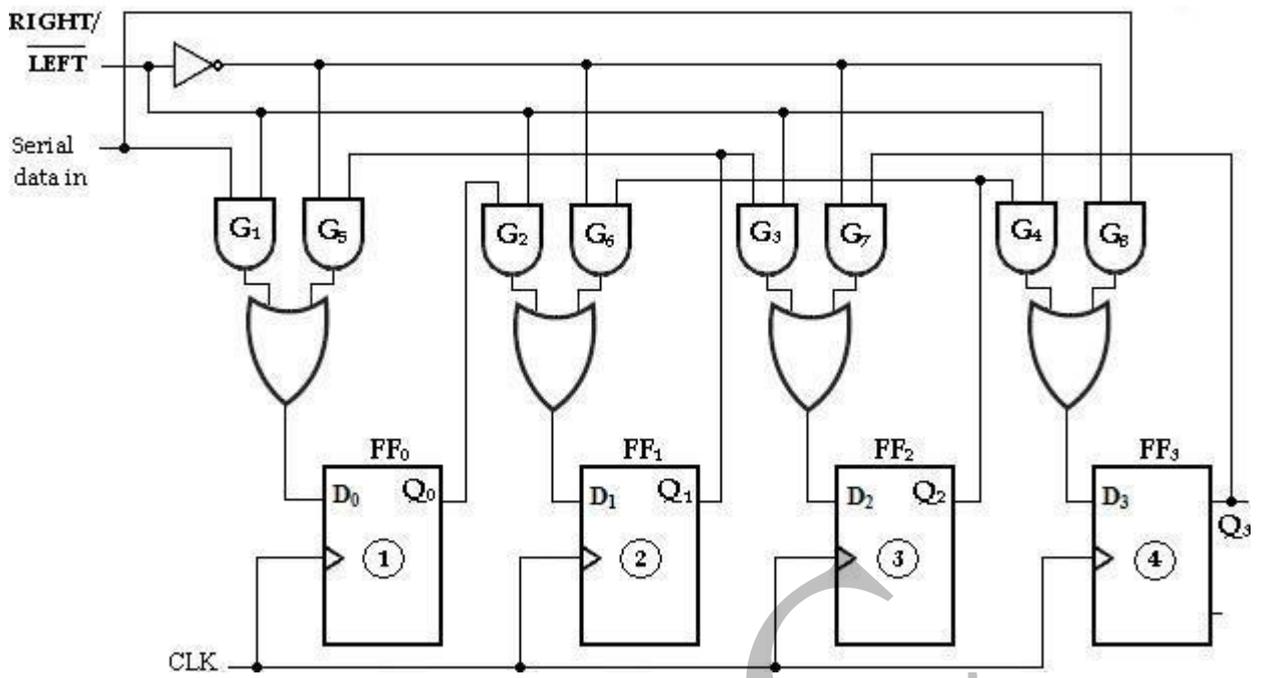
### 3.15.6 BI-DIRECTION SHIFT REGISTERS:

A bidirectional shift register is one in which the data can be shifted either left or right. It can be implemented by using gating logic that enables the transfer of a data bit from one stage to the next stage to the right or to the left depending on the level of a control line.

A 4-bit bidirectional shift register is shown below. A HIGH on the RIGHT/LEFT control input allows data bits inside the register to be shifted to the right, and a LOW enables data bits inside the register to be shifted to the left.

When the RIGHT/LEFT control input is **HIGH**, gates G<sub>1</sub>, G<sub>2</sub>, G<sub>3</sub> and G<sub>4</sub> are enabled, and the state of the Q output of each Flip-Flop is passed through to the D input of the following Flip-Flop. When a clock pulse occurs, the data bits are shifted one place to the right.

When the RIGHT/LEFT control input is **LOW**, gates G<sub>5</sub>, G<sub>6</sub>, G<sub>7</sub> and G<sub>8</sub> are enabled, and the Q output of each Flip-Flop is passed through to the D input of the preceding Flip-Flop. When a clock pulse occurs, the data bits are then shifted one place to the left.



**4-bit bi-directional shift register**

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