## Binary Adder and Subtractor

## Binary Addition Circuits

## 1. Half Adder

A logic circuit block used for adding two one bit numbers or simply two bits is called as a half adder circuit. This circuit has two inputs which accept the two bits and two outputs, with one producing sum output and other produce carry output.


In the above half adder, inputs are labeled as $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$. The sum output is labeled with the $\mathbf{S}$ and the carry output or carry out is labeled with Co. Half adder is mainly used for addition of augend and addend of first order binary numbers.

Half adder has limited number of applications, and practically not used in the application especially multi-digit addition. In such applications carry of the previous digit addition must be added along with two bits; hence it is three bits addition.

## 2. Full Adder

A binary full adder is a multiple output combinational logic network that performs the arithmetic sum of three input bits. As we have seen that the half adder cannot respond to the three inputs and hence the full adder is used to add three digits at a time.

It consists of three inputs, in which two are input variables represent the two significant bits to be added, labeled as $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$, whereas the third input terminal is the carry from the previous lower significant position and labeled as $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{i n}}$. The two outputs are a sum and a carry outputs which are labeled as $\mathbf{S}$ and $\mathbf{C}_{\text {out }}$ respectively.


Full adder can be formed by combining two half adders and an OR gate as shown in above where output and carry-in of the first adder becomes the input to the second half adder that produce the total sum output. The total carry out is produced by ORing the two half adder carry outs as shown in figure. The full adder block diagram and truth table is shown below.

|  |  |  | $\mathrm{C}_{\text {in }}$ | B | A | S | $\mathrm{C}_{\text {out }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Full Adder |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  |  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{B} \\ & \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
|  |  | - $\mathrm{C}_{\text {out }}$ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
|  |  |  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
|  |  |  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | Block Diagram Full Adder |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

## 3. Parallel Binary Adders

As we discussed that a single full adder performs the addition of two one bit numbers and an input carry. For performing the addition of binary numbers with more than one bit, more than one full adder is required depends on the number bits. Thus, a parallel adder is used for adding all bits of the two numbers simultaneously.

By connecting a number of full adders in parallel, $n$-bit parallel adder is constructed. From the below figure, it is to be noted that there is no carry at the least significant position, hence we can use either a half adder or made the carry input of full adder to zero at this position.


The figure below shows a parallel 4 bit binary adder which has three full adders and one half-adder. The two binary numbers to be added are A3A2A1A0 and B3B2B1B0 which are applied to the corresponding inputs of full adders. This parallel adder produces their sum as C 4 S 3 S 2 S 1 S 0 where C 4 is the final carry.


In the 4 bit adder, first block is a half-adder that has two inputs as A 0 B 0 and produces their sum S 0 and a carry bit C 1 . Next block should be full adder as there are three inputs applied to it. Hence this full adder produces their sum S1 and a carry C 2 . This will be followed by other two full adders and thus the final sum is C4S3S2S1S0.

Most commonly Full adders designed in dual in-line package integrated circuits. A typical 74LS283 is a 4 bit full adder. Arithmetic and Logic Unit of a unit computer consist of these parallel adders to perform the addition of binary numbers.

## Binary Subtraction Circuits

## 1. Half Subtractor

A half subtractor is a multiple output combinational logic network that does the subtraction of two bits of binary data. It has input variables and two output variables. Two inputs are corresponding to two input bits and two output variables correspond to the difference bit and borrow bit.

The binary subtraction is also performed by the Ex-OR gate with additional circuitry to perform the borrow operation. Thus, a half subtractor is designed by an Ex-OR gate including AND gate with $\mathbf{A}$ input complemented before fed to the gate.


The block model, truth table and logic diagram of a half subtractor shown in above figure. This circuit is similar to the half adder with only difference in input $\mathbf{A}$ i.e., minuend which is complemented before applied at the AND gate to implement the borrow output.

In case of multi-digit subtraction, subtraction between the two digits must be performed along with borrow of the previous digit subtraction, and hence a subtractor needs to have three inputs. Therefore, a half subtractor has limited applications and strictly it is not used in practice.

## 2. Full Subtractor

A combinational logic circuit performs a subtraction between the two binary bits by considering borrow of the lower significant stage is called as the full subtractor. In this, subtraction of the two digits is performed by taking into consideration whether a 1 has already borrowed by the previous adjacent lower minuend bit or not.

It has three input terminals in which two terminals corresponds to the two bits to be subtracted (minuend $\mathbf{A}$ and subtrahend $\mathbf{B}$ ), and a borrow bit $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{i}}$ corresponds to the borrow operation. There are two outputs, one corresponds to the difference $\mathbf{D}$ output and other borrow output $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{O}}$ as shown in figure along with truth table.


Block Diagram of Full Subtractor

| $\mathbf{A}$ | $\mathbf{B}$ | $\mathbf{B}_{\text {in }}$ | $\mathbf{D}$ | $\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{o}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| 1 | 1 | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |

Truth Table

By deriving the Boolean expression for the full subtractor from above truth table, we get the expression that tells that a full subtractor can be implemented with two half subtractors and OR gate as shown in figure below.


By comparing the adder and subtractor circuits or truth tables, one can observe that the output D in the full subtractor is exactly same as the output S of the full adder. And the only difference is that input variable A is complemented in the full subtractor.

Therefore, it is possible to convert the full adder circuit into full subtractor by simply complementing the input A before it is applied to the gates to produce the final borrow bit output $\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{O}}$.

## 3. Parallel Binary Subtractors

To perform the subtraction of binary numbers with more than one bit is performed through the parallel subtractors. This parallel subtractor can be designed in several ways, including combination of half and full subtractors, all full subtractors, all full adders with subtrahend complement input, etc.

The below figure shows a 4 bit parallel binary subtractor formed by connecting one half subtractor and three full subtractors.


In this subtractor, 4 bit minuend $\mathrm{A}_{3} \mathrm{~A}_{2} \mathrm{~A}_{1} \mathrm{~A}_{0}$ is subtracted by 4 bit subtrahend $\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{1} \mathrm{~B}_{0}$ and gives the difference output $\mathrm{D}_{3} \mathrm{D}_{2} \mathrm{D}_{1} \mathrm{D}_{0}$. The borrow output of each subtractor is connected as the borrow input to the next preceding subtractor.

It is also possible to design a 4 bit parallel subtractor by 4 full adders as shown in the below figure.


This circuit performs the subtraction operation by considering the principle that the addition of minuend and the complement of the subtrahend is equivalent to the subtraction process.

We know that the subtraction of A by B is obtained by taking 2's complement of B and adding it to A . The 2's complement of B is obtained by taking 1's complement and adding 1 to the least significant pair of bits.

Hence, in this circuit 1's complement of B is obtained with the inverters (NOT gate) and a 1 can be added to the sum through the input carry.

## Parallel Adder / Subtractor

The operations of both addition and subtraction can be performed by a one common binary adder. Such binary circuit can be designed by adding an Ex-OR gate with each full adder as shown in below figure. The figure below shows the 4 bit parallel binary adder/subtractor which has two 4 bit inputs as $\mathrm{A}_{3} \mathrm{~A}_{2} \mathrm{~A}_{1} \mathrm{~A}_{0}$ and $\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{1} \mathrm{~B}_{0}$.


The mode input control line $\mathbf{M}$ is connected with carry input of the least significant bit of the full adder. This control line decides the type of operation, whether addition or subtraction.

When $\mathrm{M}=1$, the circuit is a subtractor and when $\mathrm{M}=0$, the circuit becomes adder. The Ex-OR gate consists of two inputs to which one is connected to the B and other to input
M. When $\mathrm{M}=0$, B Ex-OR of 0 produce B . Then full adders add the B with A with carry input zero and hence an addition operation is performed.

When $\mathrm{M}=1$, B Ex-OR of 0 produce B complement and also carry input is 1 . Hence the complemented B inputs are added to A and 1 is added through the input carry, nothing but a 2's complement operation. Therefore, the subtraction operation is performed.

## Latches and Flip-Flops

## 1. Introduction

Sequential switching circuits have the property that the output depends not only on the present input but also on the past sequence of inputs. In effect, these circuits must be able to "remember" something about the past history of the inputs in order to produce the present output. Latches and flip-flops are commonly used memory devices in sequential circuits. Basically, latches and flip-flops are memory devices which can assume one of two stable output states and which have one or more inputs that can cause the output state to change.

In order to construct a switching circuit that has memory, such as a latch or flipflop, we must introduce feedback into the circuit. In simple cases, we can analyze circuits with feedback by tracing signals through the circuit. For example, consider the circuit in Figure 11-1(a). If at some instant of time the inverter input is 0 , this 0 will propagate through the inverter and cause the output to become 1 after the inverter delay. This 1 is fed back into the input, so after the propagation delay, the inverter output will become 0 .When this 0 feeds back into the input, the output will again switch to 1 , and so forth. The inverter output will continue to oscillate back and forth between 0 and 1, as shown in Figure 11-1(b), and it will never reach a stable condition. The rate at which the circuit oscillates is determined by the propagation delay in the inverter.

(a) Inverter with feedback

(b) Oscillation at inverter output

Next, consider a feedback loop which has two inverters in it, as shown in Figure 11-2(a). In this case, the circuit has two stable conditions, often referred to as stable states. If the input to the first inverter is 0 , its output will be 1 .Then, the input to the second inverter will be 1 , and its output will be 0 .This 0 will feed back into the first inverter, but because this input is already 0 , no changes will occur. The circuit is then in a stable state. As shown in Figure 11-2(b), a second stable state of the circuit occurs when the input to the first inverter is 1 and the input to the second inverter is 0 .

## FIGURE 11-2


(a)

(b)

## 2. Set-Reset Latch

We can construct a simple latch by introducing feedback into a NOR-gate circuit, as seen in Figure 11-3(a). As indicated, if the inputs are $S=R=0$, the circuit can assume a stable state with $Q=0$ and $P=1$. Note that this is a stable condition of the circuit because $P=1$ feeds into the second gate forcing the output to be $Q=0$, and $Q=0$ feeds into the first gate allowing its output to be 1 . Now if we change $S$ to $1, P$ will become 0 . This is an unstable condition or state of the circuit because both the inputs and output of the second gate are 0 ; therefore $Q$ will change to 1 , leading to the stable state shown in Figure 11-3(b).

FIGURE 11-3

(a)

(b)

If $S$ is changed back to 0 , the circuit will not change state because $Q=1$ feeds back into the first gate, causing $P$ to remain 0 , as shown in Figure 11-4(a). Note that the inputs are again $S=R=0$, but the outputs are different than those with which we started. Thus, the circuit has two different stable states for a given set of inputs.

If we now change $R$ to $1, Q$ will become 0 and $P$ will then change back to 1 , as seen in Figure 11-4(b). If we then change $R$ back to 0 , the circuit remains in this state and we are back where we started.

## FIGURE 11-4


(a)

(b)

This circuit is said to have memory because its output depends not only on the present inputs, but also on the past sequence of inputs. If we restrict the inputs so that $R=S=1$ is not allowed, the stable states of the outputs $P$ and $Q$ are always complements, that is, $P=Q^{\prime}$.

As shown in Figures 11-3(b) and 11-4(b), an input $S=1$ sets the output to $Q=1$, and an input $R=1$ resets the output to $Q=0$. When used with the restriction that $R$ and $S$ cannot be 1 simultaneously, the circuit is commonly referred to as a set-reset (S-R) latch and given the symbol shown in Figure 11-5(b). Note that although $Q$ comes out of the NOR gate with the $R$ input, the standard S-R latch symbol has $Q$ directly above the $S$ input.

FIGURE 11-5 S-R Latch

(a)

(b)

The timming diagram below summerizes the operation of S-R latch.


Figure 11-8 shows the truth table and the derivation of $\mathrm{Q}^{+}$for an $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{R}$ latch. From the K-map, it's clear that $Q^{+}=S+R^{\prime} Q$ where $(S . R=0)$. This equation is called the next-state equation, or characteristic equation.

FIGURE 11-8
Derivation of $Q^{+}$ for an S-R Latch

(a) $Q^{+}$map

(b) Truth table

An alternative form of the S-R latch uses NAND gates, as shown in Figure 11-10.
We will refer to this circuit as an $\bar{S}-\bar{R}$ latch, and the table describes its operation. We have labeled the inputs to this latch $\bar{S}$ and $\bar{R}$ because $\mathrm{S}=0$ will set Q to 1 and $\mathrm{R}=0$ will reset Q to 0 . If $\bar{S}$ and $\bar{R}$ are 0 at the same time, both the Q and $\mathrm{Q}^{\prime}$ outputs are forced to 1 .Therefore, for the proper operation of this latch, the condition $\bar{S}=\bar{R}$ $=0$ is not allowed.


## 3. Gated D Latch

A gated D latch (Figure 11-11) has two inputs, a data input (D) and a gate input (G). The D latch can be constructed from an $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{R}$ latch and gates (Figure 111(a)). When $\mathrm{G}=0, \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{R}=0$, so Q does not change. When $\mathrm{G}=1$ and $\mathrm{D}=1, \mathrm{~S}=1$ and $R=0$, so $Q$ is set to 1 . When $G=1$ and $D=0, S=0$ and $R=1$, so $Q$ is reset to 0 . In other words, when $\mathrm{G}=1$, the Q output follows the D input, and when $\mathrm{G}=0$, the Q output holds the last value of D (no state change). This type of latch is also referred to as a transparent latch because when $\mathrm{G}=1$, the Q output is the same as the D input. From the truth table (Figure 11-12), the characteristic equation for the latch is $Q^{+}=G^{\prime} Q+G D$

FIGURE 11-11
Gated D Latch

(a)


(b)


## 4. Edge-Triggered D Flip-Flop

D flip-flop (Figure 11-13) has two inputs, $D$ (data) and Ck (clock). The small arrowhead on the flip-flop symbol identifies the clock input. Unlike the $D$ latch, the flip-flop output changes only in response to the clock, not to a change in $D$. If the output can change in response to a 0 to 1 transition on the clock input, we say that the flip-flop is triggered on the rising edge (or positive edge) of the clock. If the output can change in response to a 1 to 0 transition on the clock input, we say that the flip-flop is triggered on the falling edge (or negative edge) of the clock. An inversion bubble on the clock input indicates a falling-edge trigger (Figure 1113(b)), and no bubble indicates a rising-edge trigger [Figure 11-13(a)].The term active edge refers to the clock edge (rising or falling) that triggers the flip-flop state change.

(a) Rising-edge trigger

(b) Falling-edge trigger

| $D Q$ | $Q^{+}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 0 | 1 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | $Q^{+}=D$ |
| 1 | 1 | 1 |  |

(c) Truth table

The state of a D flip-flop after the active clock edge ( $Q^{+}$) is equal to the input ( $D$ ) before the active edge. For example, if $D=1$ before the clock pulse, $Q=1$ after the active edge, regardless of the previous value of $Q$. Therefore, the characteristic equation is $Q^{+}=D$. If $D$ changes at most once following each clock pulse, the output of the flip-flop is the same as the $D$ input, except that the output changes are delayed until after the active edge of the clock pulse, as illustrated in Figure 11-14.

FIGURE 11-14
Timing for
D Flip-Flop
(Falling-Edge Trigger)


A rising-edge-triggered $D$ flip-flop can be constructed from two gated $D$ latches and an inverter, as shown in Figure 11-15(a).The timing diagram is shown in Figure 11-15(b).

FIGURE 11-15
D Flip-Flop (Rising-Edge Trigger)

(a) Construction from two gated D latches

(b) Timing analysis

## 5. S-R Flip-Flop

An S-R flip-flop (Figure 11-18) is similar to an S-R latch in that $S=1$ sets the $Q$ output to 1 , and $R=1$ resets the $Q$ output to 0 .The essential difference is that the flip-flop has a clock input, and the $Q$ output can change only after an active clock edge. The truth table and characteristic equation for the flip-flop are the same as for the latch, but the interpretation of $Q^{+}$is different. For the latch, $Q^{+}$is the value of $Q$ after the propagation delay through the latch, while for the flip-flop, $Q^{+}$is the value that $Q$ assumes after the active clock edge.


$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Operation summary: } \\
& \begin{array}{ll}
S=R=0 & \\
\text { No state change } \\
S=1, R=0 & \\
\text { Set } Q \text { to } 1 \text { (after active Ck edge) } \\
S=0, R=1 & \\
\text { Reset } Q \text { to } 0 \text { (after active Ck edge) } \\
S=R=1 & \\
\text { Not allowed }
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

Figure 11-19(a) shows an S-R flip-flop constructed from two S-R latches and gates. This flip-flop changes state after the rising edge of the clock. The circuit is often referred to as a master-slave flip-flop. When CLK $=0$, the $S$ and $R$ inputs set the outputs of the master latch to the appropriate value while the slave latch holds the previous value of $Q$. When the clock changes from 0 to 1 , the value of $P$ is held in the master latch and this value is transferred to the slave latch. The master latch holds the value of $P$ while CLK $=1$, and, hence, $Q$ does not change. When the clock changes from 1 to 0 , the $Q$ value is latched in the slave, and the master can process new inputs. Figure 11-19(b) shows the timing diagram. Initially, $S=1$ and $Q$ changes to 1 at $t_{1}$. Then $R=1$ and $Q$ changes to 0 at $t_{3}$.

FIGURE 11-19
S-R Flip-Flop Implementation and Timing

(a) Implementation with two latches

(b) Timing analysis

## 6. J-K Flip-Flop

The $J-K$ flip-flop (Figure 11-20) is an extended version of the S-R flip-flop. The $J$-K flip-flop was named after Jack Kilby, the Texas Instruments engineer that invented the integrated circuit in 1958. The $J$ - $K$ flip-flop has three inputs: $J, K$, and the clock ( $C K$ ).The $J$ input corresponds to $S$, and $K$ corresponds to $R$. That is, if $J=1$ and $K=0$, the flip-flop output is set to $Q=1$ after the active clock edge; and if $K=1$ and $J=0$, the flip-flop output is reset to $Q=0$ after the active edge. Unlike the S-R flip-flop, a 1 input may be applied simultaneously to $J$ and $K$, in which case the flip-flop changes state after the active clock edge. When $J=K=1$, the active edge will cause $Q$ to change from 0 to 1 , or from 1 to 0 .The next state table and characteristic equation for the $J$ - $K$ flip-flop are given in Figure 11-20(b).

Figure 11-20(c) shows the timing for a $J$ - $K$ flip-flop.


One way to realize the $J$ - $K$ flip-flop is with two S-R latches connected in a masterslave arrangement, as shown in Figure 11-21. This is the same circuit as for the $S-R$ master-slave flip-flop, except $S$ and $R$ have been replaced with $J$ and $K$, and the $Q$ and $Q^{\prime}$ outputs are feeding back into the input gates. Because $S=J \cdot Q^{\prime} \cdot C l k^{\prime}$ and $R=K \cdot Q \cdot C l k^{\prime}$, only one of $S$ and $R$ inputs to the first latch can be 1 at any given time. If $Q=0$ and $J=1$, then $S=1$ and $R=0$, regardless of the value of $K$. If $Q=1$ and $K=1$, then $S=0$ and $R=1$, regardless of the value of $J$.

FIGURE 11-21
Master-Slave J-K Flip-Flop ( $Q$ Changes on Rising Edge)


## 7. T Flip-Flop

The $T$ flip-flop, also called the toggle flip-flop, is frequently used in building counters. The $T$ flip-flop in Figure 11-22(a) has a $T$ input and a clock input. When $T=1$ the flip-flop changes state after the active edge of the clock. When $T=0$, no state change occurs. The next state table and characteristic equation for the $T$ flipflop are given in Figure 11-22(b). The characteristic equation states that the next state of the flip-flop $\left(Q^{+}\right)$will be 1 if and only if the present state $(Q)$ is 1 and $T=0$ or the present state is 0 and $T=1$. Figure 11-23 shows a timing diagram for the $T$ flip-flop. At times $t_{2}$ and $t_{4}$ the $T$ input is 1 and the flip-flop state $(Q)$ changes a short time $\left(t_{p}\right)$ after the falling edge of the clock pulse. At times $t_{1}$ and $t_{3}$ the $T$ input is 0 , and the clock edge does not cause a change of state.


(b)

FIGURE 11-23
Timing Diagram for T Flip-Flop (Falling-Edge Trigger)

FIGURE 11-24
Implementation of T Flip-Flops


(a) Conversion of J-K to $T$

(b) Conversion of $D$ to $T$

One way to implement a $T$ flip-flop is to connect the $J$ and $K$ inputs of a $J-K$ flipflop together, as shown in Figure 11-24(a). Substituting $T$ for $J$ and $K$ in the $J$ - $K$ characteristic equation gives $Q^{+}=J Q^{\prime}+K^{\prime} Q=T Q^{\prime}+T^{\prime} Q$ which is the characteristic equation for the $T$ flip-flop.

Another way to realize a $T$ flip-flop is with a $D$ flip-flop and an exclusive-OR gate [Figure 11-24(b)]. The $D$ input is $Q \oplus T$, so $Q^{+}=Q \oplus T=T Q^{\prime}+T^{\prime} Q$, which is the characteristic equation for the T flip-flop.

## 8. Flip-Flops with Additional Inputs

Flip-flops often have additional inputs which can be used to set the flip-flops to an initial state independent of the clock. Figure 11-25 shows a D flip-flop with clear and preset inputs. The small circles (inversion symbols) on these inputs indicate that a logic 0 (rather than a 1) is required to clear or set the flip-flop. This type of input is often referred to as active-low because a low voltage or logic 0 will activate the clear or preset function. We will use the notation ClrN or PreN to indicate active-low clear and preset inputs. Thus, a logic 0 applied to ClrN will reset the flip-flop to $Q=0$, and a 0 applied to PreN will set the flip-flop to $Q=1$.

FIGURE 11-25
D Flip-Flop with Clear and Preset

(a)

(b)

FIGURE 11-26
Timing Diagram for D Flip-Flop with Asynchronous Clear and Preset


Figure 11-27(b) shows a D flip-flop with a clock enable, which we will call a DCE flip-flop. When $\mathrm{CE}=0$, the clock is disabled and no state change occurs, so $Q^{+}=Q$. When $\mathrm{CE}=1$, the flip-flop acts like a normal D flip-flop, so $Q^{+}=D$. Therefore, the characteristic equation is $Q^{+}=Q \cdot C E^{\prime}+D \cdot C E$. The D-CE flip-flop is easily implemented using a D flip-flop and a multiplexer (Figure 11-27(c)). For this circuit, the MUX output is $Q^{+}=D=Q \cdot C E^{\prime}+D_{\text {in }} \cdot C E$.

FIGURE 11-27
D Flip-Flop with Clock Enable

(a) Gating the clock

(b) D-CE symbol

(c) Implementation

## Registers and Counters

A register consists of a group of flip-flops with a common clock input. Registers are commonly used to store and shift binary data. Counters are another simple type of sequential circuits. A counter is usually constructed from two or more flip-flops which change states in a prescribed sequence when input pulses are received.

## Registers

Several D flip-flops may be grouped together with a common clock to form a register [Figure 12-1(a)]. Because each flip-flop can store one bit of information, this register can store four bits of information. This register has a load signal that is ANDed with the clock.

When Load $=0$, the register is not clocked, and it holds its present value. When it is time to load data into the register, Load is set to 1 for one clock period. When Load $=1$, the clock signal (Clk) is transmitted to the flip-flop clock inputs and the data applied to the $D$ inputs will be loaded into the flip-flops on the falling edge of the clock. For example, if the $Q$ outputs are $0000\left(Q_{3}=Q_{2}=Q_{1}=Q_{0}=0\right)$ and the data inputs are $1101\left(D_{3}=1, D_{2}=1, D_{1}=0\right.$ and $\left.D 0=1\right)$, after the falling edge $Q$ will change from 0000 to 1101 as indicated. (The notation $0 \rightarrow 1$ at the flip-flop outputs indicates a change from 0 to 1 .)

The flip-flops in the register have asynchronous clear inputs that are connected to a common clear signal, ClrN . The bubble at the clear inputs indicates that a logic 0 is required to clear the flip-flops. ClrN is normally 1, and if it is changed momentarily to 0 , the $Q$ outputs of all four flip-flops will become 0 .

Gating the clock with another signal can cause timing problems. If flip-flops with clock enable are available, the register can be designed as shown in Figure 12-1(b). The load signal is connected to all four CE inputs. When Load $=0$, the clock is
disabled and the register holds its data. When Load is 1 , the clock is enabled, and the data applied to the $D$ inputs will be loaded into the flip-flops, following the falling edge of the clock. Figure 12-1(c) shows a symbol for the 4-bit register using bus notation for the $D$ inputs and $Q$ outputs. A group of wires that perform a common function is often referred to as a bus. A heavy line is used to represent a bus, and a slash with a number beside it indicates the number of bits in the bus.

FIGURE 12-1 4-Bit D Flip-Flop Registers with Data, Load, Clear, and Clock Inputs

(a) Using gated clock

(b) With clock enable

(c) Symbol

## Shift Registers

A shift register is a register in which binary data can be stored, and this data can be shifted to the left or right when a shift signal is applied. Bits shifted out one end of the register may be lost, or if the shift register is of cyclic type, bits shifted out one end are shifted back in the other end.

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

Figure 12-7(a) illustrates a 4-bit right-shift register with serial input and output constructed from $D$ flip-flops. When Shift $=1$, the clock is enabled and shifting occurs on the rising clock edge. When Shift $=0$, no shifting occurs and the data in the register is unchanged. The serial input (SI) is loaded into the first flip-flop $\left(Q_{3}\right)$ by the rising edge of the clock. At the same time, the output of the first flip-flop is loaded into the second flip-flop, the output of the second flip-flop is loaded into the third flip-flop, and the output of the third flip-flop is loaded into the last flip-flop. Because of the propagation delay of the flip-flops, the output value loaded into each flip-flop is the value before the rising clock edge. Figure 12-7(b) illustrates the timing when the shift register initially contains 0101 and the serial input sequence is $1,1,0,1$.The sequence of shift register states is $0101,1010,1101$, 0110, 1011.

Shift registers with 4, 8, or more flip-flops are available in integrated circuit form. Figure 12-8 illustrates an 8-bit serial-in, serial-out shift register. Serial in means that data is shifted into the first flip-flop one bit at a time, and the flip-flops cannot be loaded in parallel. Serial out means that data can only be read out of the last flip-flop and the outputs from the other flip-flops are not connected to terminals of the integrated circuit. The inputs to the first flip-flop are $S=\mathrm{SI}$ and $R=\mathrm{SI}^{\prime}$. Thus,
if $\mathrm{SI}=1$, a 1 is shifted into the register when it is clocked, and if $\mathrm{SI}=0$, a 0 is shifted in. Figure 12-9 shows a typical timing diagram.
FIGURE 12-7
Right-Shift Register

(a) Flip-flop connections

(b) Timing diagram

FIGURE 12-8 8-Bit Serial-in, Serial-out Shift Register

(a) Block diagram

(b) Logic diagram

FIGURE 12-9 Typical Timing Diagram for Shift Register of Figure 12-8


## 2- Parallel-In Parallel-Out Shift Register

Figure 12-10(a) shows a 4-bit parallel-in, parallel-out shift register. Parallel-in implies that all four bits can be loaded at the same time, and parallel-out implies that all bits can be read out at the same time. The shift register has two control inputs, shift enable (Sh) and load enable ( $L$ ). If $S h=1$ (and $L=1$ or $L=0$ ), clocking the register causes the serial input (SI) to be shifted into the first flip-flop, while the data in flip-flops $Q_{3}, Q_{2}$, and $Q_{1}$ are shifted right. If $S h=0$ and $L=1$, clocking the shift register will cause the four data inputs $\left(D_{3}, D_{2}, D_{1}, D_{0}\right)$ to be loaded in parallel into the flip-flops. If $S h=L=0$, clocking the register causes no change of state. Table 12-1 summarizes the operation of this shift register. All state changes occur immediately following the falling edge of the clock.


| TABLE 12-1 | Inputs |  | Next State |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shift Register | $S h$ (Shift) | $L$ (Load) | $Q_{3}{ }^{+}$ | $Q_{2}{ }^{+}$ | $Q_{1}{ }^{+}$ | $Q_{0}{ }^{+}$ | Action |
|  | Operation | 0 | 0 | $Q_{3}$ | $Q_{2}$ | $Q_{1}$ | $Q_{0}$ |
|  | No change |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | $D_{3}$ | $D_{2}$ | $D_{1}$ | $D_{0}$ | Load |
|  | 1 | X | SI | $Q_{3}$ | $Q_{2}$ | $Q_{1}$ | Right shift |

The shift register can be implemented using MUXs and D flip-flops, as shown in Figure 12-10(b). For the first flip-flop, when $S h=L=0$, the flip-flop $Q_{3}$ output is selected by the MUX, so $Q_{3}{ }^{+}=Q_{3}$ and no state change occurs. When $S h=0$ and $L=1$, the data input $D_{3}$ is selected and loaded into the flip-flop. When $S h=1$ and $L=0$ or 1 , SI is selected and loaded into the flip-flop. The second MUX selects $Q_{2}$, $D_{2}$, or $Q_{3}$, etc. The next-state equations for the flip-flops are:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& Q_{3}{ }^{+}=S h^{\prime} \cdot L^{\prime} \cdot Q_{3}+S h^{\prime} \cdot L \cdot D_{3}+S h \cdot \text { SI } \\
& Q_{2}{ }^{+}=S h^{\prime} \cdot L^{\prime} \cdot Q_{2}+S h^{\prime} \cdot L \cdot D_{2}+S h \cdot Q_{3} \\
& Q_{1}{ }^{+}=S h^{\prime} \cdot L^{\prime} \cdot Q_{1}+S h^{\prime} \cdot L \cdot D_{1}+S h \cdot Q_{2} \\
& Q_{0}{ }^{+}=S h^{\prime} \cdot L^{\prime} \cdot Q_{0}+S h^{\prime} \cdot L \cdot D_{0}+S h \cdot Q_{1}
\end{aligned}
$$

A typical application of this register is the conversion of parallel data to serial data. The output from the last flip-flop $\left(Q_{0}\right)$ serves as a serial output as well as one of the parallel outputs.

Figure 12-11 shows a typical timing diagram. The first clock pulse loads data into the shift register in parallel. During the next four clock pulses, this data is available at the serial output. Assuming that the register is initially clear ( $Q_{3} Q_{2} Q_{1} Q_{0}=0000$ ), that the serial input is $\mathrm{SI}=0$ throughout, and that the data inputs $D_{3} D_{2} D_{1} D_{0}$ are 1011 during the load time $\left(t_{0}\right)$, the resulting waveforms are as shown. Shifting occurs at the end of $t_{1}, t_{2}$, and $t_{3}$, and the serial output can be read during these clock times. During $t_{4}, S h=L=0$, so no state change occurs.

FIGURE 12-11
Timing Diagram for
Shift Register


Figure 12-12(a) shows a 3-bit shift register with the $Q_{1}$ output from the last flipflop fed back into the $D$ input of the first flip-flop. If the initial state of the register is 000 , the initial value of $D_{3}$ is 1 , so after the first clock pulse, the register state is 100. Successive states are shown on the state graph of Figure 12-12(b).When the register is in state $001, D_{3}$ is 0 , and the next register state is 000 . Then, successive clock pulses take the register around the loop again. Note that states 010 and 101 are not in the main loop. If the register is in state 010 , then a shift pulse takes it to 101 and vice versa; therefore, we have a secondary loop on the state graph. A circuit that cycles through a fixed sequence of states is called a counter, and a shift register with inverted feedback is often called a Johnson counter.

FIGURE 12-12
Shift Register with Inverted Feedback

(a) Flip-flop connections

(b) State graph

## Counters

Synchronous counters mean the operation of the flip-flops is synchronized by a common clock pulse so that when several flip-flops must change state, the state changes occur simultaneously. Ripple counters, in which the state change of one flip-flop triggers the next flip-flop in line, will be discussed next.

## 1. Design of Binary Counters

We will design the binary counter by using a state table (Table 12-2).This table shows the present state of three T flip-flops $C, B$, and $A$ (before a clock pulse is received) and the corresponding next state (after the clock pulse is received). For example, if the flip-flops are in state $C B A=011$ and a clock pulse is received; the next state will be $C^{+} B^{+} A^{+}=100$. Although the clock is not explicit in the table, it is understood to be the input that causes the counter to go to the next state in sequence. A third column in the table is used to derive the inputs for $T_{C}, T_{B}$, and $T_{A}$. Whenever the entries in the $A$ and $A^{+}$columns differ, flip-flop $A$ must change state and $T_{A}$ must be 1 . Similarly, if $B$ and $B^{+}$differ, $B$ must change state so $T_{B}$ must be 1. For example, if $C B A=011, C^{+} B^{+} A^{+}=100$, all three flip-flops must change state, so $T_{C} T_{B} T_{A}=111$.
$T_{C}, T_{B}$, and $T_{A}$ are now derived from the table as functions of $C, B$, and $A$. By inspection, $T_{A}=1$. Figure 12-14 shows the Karnaugh maps for $T_{C}$ and $T_{B}$, from which $T_{C}=B A$ and $T B=A$. These equations yield the same circuit derived for Figure 12-13.

| TABLE 12-2 | Present State |  |  | Next State |  |  |  | Flip-Flop Inputs |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State Table | $C$ | $B$ | $A$ | $C^{+}$ | $B^{+}$ | $A^{+}$ | $T_{\mathrm{C}}$ | $T_{\mathrm{B}}$ | $T_{\mathrm{A}}$ |  |
| for Binary | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| Counter | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
|  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
|  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
|  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |

FIGURE 12-14
Karnaugh Maps for Binary Counter


FIGURE 12-13
Synchronous Binary Counter


We can redesign the binary counter to use D flip-flops instead of T flip-flops. The easiest way to do this is to convert each D flip-flop to a T flip-flop by adding an XOR (exclusive-OR) gate, (see T flip-flop section). Figure 12-15 shows the resulting counter circuit. The rightmost XOR gate can be replaced with an inverter because $A \oplus 1=A^{\prime}$.

FIGURE 12-15
Binary Counter with D Flip-Flops


We can also derive the D flip-flop inputs for the binary counter starting with its state table (Table 12-2). For a D flip-flop, $Q^{+}=D$. By inspection of the table, $Q_{A}=$ $A^{\prime}$, so $D_{A}=A$. The Karnaugh maps for $Q_{B}{ }^{+}$and $Q_{C}{ }^{+}$are plotted in Figure 12-16.The $D$ input equations derived from the Karnaugh maps are:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& D_{A}=A^{+}=A^{\prime} \\
& D_{B}=B^{+}=B A^{\prime}+B^{\prime} A=B \oplus A \\
& D_{C}=C^{+}=C^{\prime} B A+C B^{\prime}+C A^{\prime}=C^{\prime} B A+C(B A)^{\prime}=C \oplus B A
\end{aligned}
$$

which give the same logic circuit as was obtained by inspection in Fig. 12-15.
FIGURE 12-16 Karnaugh Maps for D Flip-Flops


## 2. Counters for Other Sequences

In some applications, the sequence of states of a counter is not in straight binary order. Figure 12-21 shows the state graph for such a counter. The arrows indicate the state sequence. If this counter is started in state 000 , the first clock pulse will take it to state 100 , the next pulse to 111 , etc. The clock pulse is implicitly understood to be the input to the circuit and not shown on the graph. The corresponding state table for the counter is Table 12-3. Note that the next state is unspecified for the present states 001,101 , and 110 .

FIGURE 12-21 State Graph for Counter


We will design the counter specified by Table 12-3 using T flip-flops. We could derive $T C, T B$, and $T A$ directly from this table, as in the preceding example. This yields the maps and equations of Figure 12-22 and the circuit shown in Figure 1223.

FIGURE 12-22


$$
T_{C}=C^{\prime} B^{\prime}+C B
$$

$$
T_{B}=C^{\prime} A+C B^{\prime}
$$

$$
T_{A}=C+B
$$

FIGURE 12-23
Counter Using T Flip-Flops


The timing diagram of Figure 12-24, derived by tracing signals through the circuit, verifies that the counter functions according to the state diagram of Figure 12-21; for example, starting with $C B A=000, T_{C}=1$ and $T_{B}=T_{A}=0$. Therefore, when the clock pulse comes along, only flip-flop $C$ changes state, and the new state is 100.Then, $T_{C}=0$ and $T_{B}=T_{A}=1$, so flip-flops $B$ and $A$ change state when the next clock pulse occurs, etc. Note that the flip-flops change state following the falling clock edge.

FIGURE 12-24
Timing Diagram for Figure 12-23


Although the original state table for the counter (Table 12-3) is not completely specified, the next states of states 001,101 , and 110 have been specified in the process of completing the circuit design. For example, if the flip-flops are initially set to $C=0, B=0$, and $A=1$, tracing signals through the circuit shows that $T_{C}=T_{B}$ $=1$ and $T_{A}=0$, so that the state will change to 111 when a clock pulse is applied. This behavior is indicated by the dashed line in Figure 12-25. Once state 111 is reached, successive clock pulses will cause the counter to continue in the original counting sequence as indicated on the state graph. When the power in a circuit is first turned on, the initial states of the flip-flops may be unpredictable. For this reason, all of the don't-care states in a counter should be checked to make sure that they eventually lead into the main counting sequence unless a power-up reset is provided.

FIGURE 12-25
State Graph for Counter


## Counter Design Using D Flip-Flops

For a D flip-flop, $Q^{+}=D$, so the $D$ input map is identical with the next-state map. Therefore, the equation for $D$ can be read directly from the $Q^{+}$map. For the counter of Figure 12-21, the following equations can be read from the next-state maps shown in Figure 12-22(a):

$$
\begin{aligned}
& D_{C}=C^{+}=B^{\prime} \quad D_{B}=B^{+}=C+B A^{\prime} \\
& D_{A}=A^{+}=C A^{\prime}+B A^{\prime}=A^{\prime}(C+B)
\end{aligned}
$$

This leads to the circuit shown in Figure 12-26 using D flip-flops. Note that the connecting wires between the flip-flop outputs and the gate inputs have been omitted to facilitate reading the diagram.

FIGURE 12-26
Counter of
Figure 12-21
Using D Flip-Flops


## Counter Design Using S-R and J-K Flip-Flops

The procedures used to design a counter with S-R flip-flops are similar to the procedures discussed for designing a counter using T and D flip-flops. However, instead of deriving an input equation for each D or T flip-flop, the $S$ and $R$ input equations must be derived.

Table 12-5(a) describes the behavior of the S-R flip-flop. Given S,R, and Q, we can determine Q_ from this table.

TABLE 12-5 S-R Flip-Flop Inputs
(a)

| $S$ | $R$ | $Q$ | $Q^{+}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | - |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | - |

(b)

| $Q$ | $Q^{+}$ | $S$ |
| :---: | :---: | ---: |
| 0 | 0 | $R$ |
| 0 | 1 | $\begin{cases}0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1\end{cases}$ |
|  | 0 | 1 |
| 0 | 0 |  |
| 1 | 0 |  |

(c)

| $Q$ | $Q^{+}$ | $S$ | $R$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | $X$ |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | X | 0 |

We will redesign the counter of Figure 12-21 using S-R flip-flops. Table 12-3 is repeated in Table 12-6 with columns added for the $S$ and $R$ flip-flop inputs. These columns can be filled in using Table 12-5(c). For $C B A=000, C=0$ and $C^{+}=1$, so $S_{C}=1, R_{C}=0$. For $C B A=010$ and $011, C=0$ and $C^{+}=0$, so $S_{C}=0$ and $R_{C}=\mathrm{X}$. For $C B A=100, C=1$ and $C^{+}=1$, so $S_{C}=\mathrm{X}$ and $R_{C}=0$. For row $111, C=1$ and $C^{+}$ $=0$, so $S_{C}=0$ and $R_{C}=1$. For $C B A=001,101$, and $110, C^{+}=\mathrm{X}$, so $S_{C}=R_{C}=\mathrm{X}$. Similarly, the values of $S_{B}$ and $R_{B}$ are derived from the values of $B$ and $B^{+}$, and $S_{A}$ and $R_{A}$ are derived from $A$ and $A^{+}$. The Karnaugh map of flip-flop input and the resulting logic circuit for the counter are illustrated in Figure 12-27.

TABLE 12-6

| $C$ | $B$ | $A$ | $C^{+}$ | $B^{+}$ | $A^{+}$ | $S_{\mathrm{C}}$ | $R_{\mathrm{C}}$ | $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{B}}$ | $R_{\mathrm{B}}$ | $\mathrm{S}_{\mathrm{A}}$ | $R_{\mathrm{A}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | X | 0 | X |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | - | - | - | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | X | X | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | X | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | X | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | - | - | - | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | - | - | - | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | X | 0 | 0 | 1 |

FIGURE 12-27
Counter of Figure 12-21 Using S-R Flip-Flops


$$
\begin{array}{rlrl}
R_{A}=A & S_{A} & =C A^{\prime}+B A^{\prime} \\
& =A^{\prime}(C+B)
\end{array}
$$



The procedure used to design a counter with J-K flip-flops is very similar to that used for S-R flip-flops. The J-K flip-flop is similar to the S-R flip-flop except that $J$ and $K$ can be 1 simultaneously, in which case the flip-flop changes state. Table 12-7gives the next state $\left(Q^{+}\right)$as a function of $J, K$, and $Q$. Using this table, we can derive the required input conditions for $J$ and $K$ when $Q$ and $Q^{+}$are given.

TABLE 12-7 J-K Flip-Flop Inputs
(a)

| $J$ | $K$ | $Q$ | $Q^{+}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

(b)

| $Q$ | $Q^{+}$ | $J$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | $\begin{cases}0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1\end{cases}$ |
| 0 | 1 | $\begin{cases}1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1\end{cases}$ |
| 1 | 0 | $\begin{cases}0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1\end{cases}$ |
| 1 | 1 | $\begin{cases}0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0\end{cases}$ |

(c)

| $Q$ | $Q^{+}$ | $J$ | $K$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | $X$ |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | $X$ |
| 1 | 0 | $X$ | 1 |
| 1 | 1 | $X$ | 0 |

We will now redesign the counter of Figure 12-21 using J-K flip-flops. Table 12-3 is repeated in Table 12-8 with columns added for the $J$ and $K$ flip-flop inputs. We will fill in these columns using Table 12-7(c). For $C B A=000, C=0$ and $C^{+}=1$, so $J_{C}=1$ and $K_{C}=\mathrm{X}$. For $C B A=010$ and $011, C=0$ and $C^{+}=0$, so $J_{C}=0$ and $K_{C}=$ X. The remaining table entries are filled in similarly. The Karnaugh map of flipflop input and the resulting logic circuit for the counter are illustrated in Figure 1228.


FIGURE 12-28
Counter of Figure 12-21 Using J-K Flip-Flops


$J_{B}=C \quad K_{B}=C^{\prime} A$


