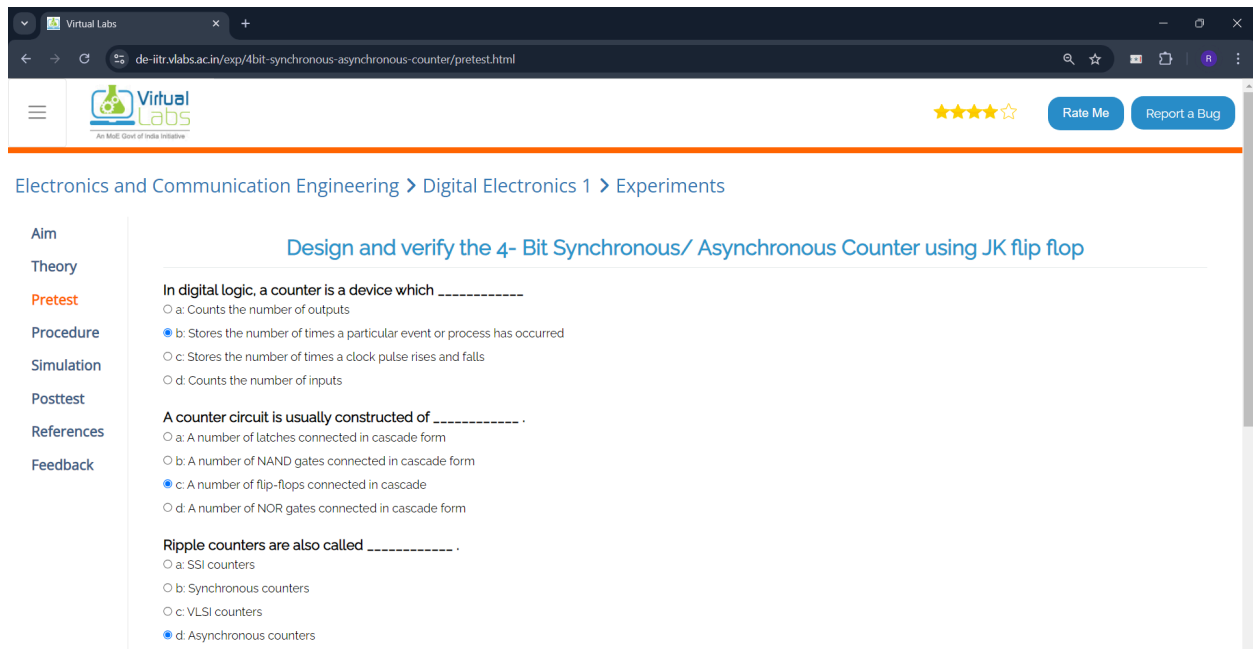


IA-2(B)

Design and verify the 4- Bit Synchronous or Asynchronous Counter using JK Flip Flop

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Pretest :



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In digital logic, a counter is a device which -----

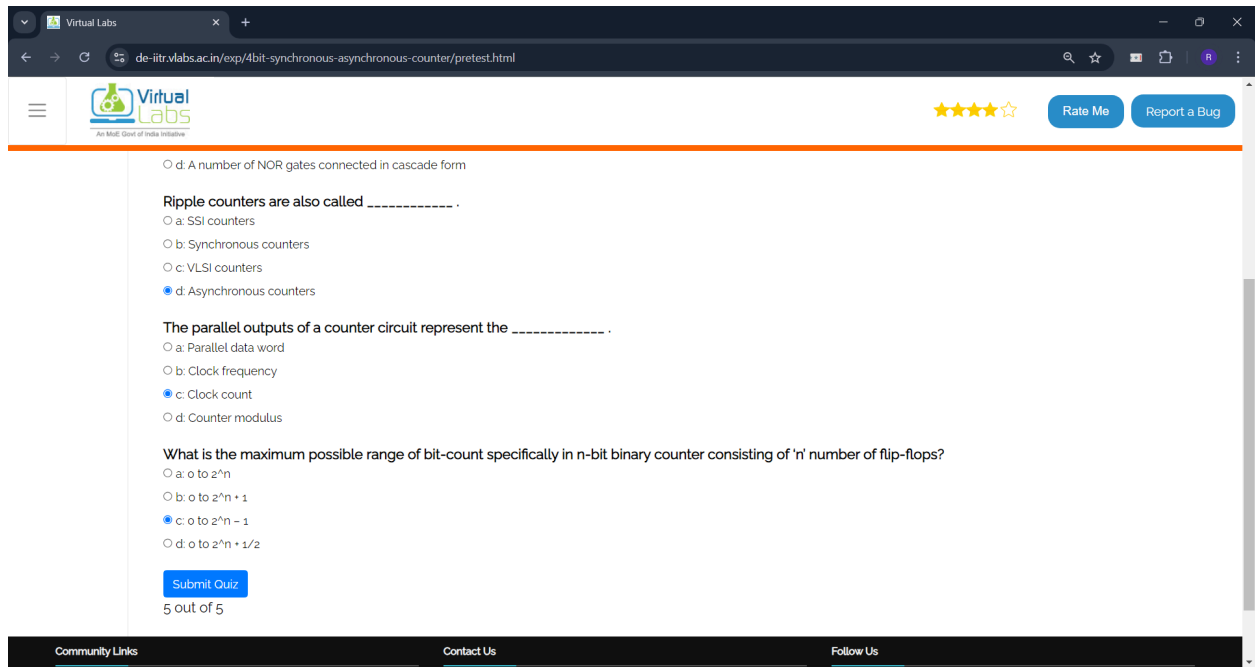
- ☐ a: Counts the number of outputs
- ☒ b: Stores the number of times a particular event or process has occurred
- ☐ c: Stores the number of times a clock pulse rises and falls
- ☐ d: Counts the number of inputs

A counter circuit is usually constructed of ----- .

- ☐ a: A number of latches connected in cascade form
- ☐ b: A number of NAND gates connected in cascade form
- ☒ c: A number of flip-flops connected in cascade
- ☐ d: A number of NOR gates connected in cascade form

Ripple counters are also called ----- .

- ☐ a: SSI counters
- ☐ b: Synchronous counters
- ☐ c: VLSI counters
- ☒ d: Asynchronous counters



Justifications for each of the answers :

- A counter is a circuit that keeps track of how often something happens, like clock ticks or other signals. Its main job is to count how many times an event occurs, not to count the inputs or outputs directly.
- Flip-flops are the basic building blocks of counters because they can store one of two states: 0 or 1 (binary). When you connect them in a chain, where one flip-flop's output triggers the next one, they can work together to count multiple bits. For example, using three flip-flops gives you 8 possible states (since $2^3 = 8$).
- Ripple counters are called asynchronous because the flip-flops don't all get the clock signal at the same time. Instead, each flip-flop waits for the previous one to change before it updates, causing a "ripple" effect as the counting happens.
- The parallel outputs of a counter show the binary number that represents the current count. Each flip-flop's state contributes to the binary number, and together they form a "parallel" set of bits, which is basically a data word.
- An n-bit binary counter can show 2^n different values. Since counting starts at 0, the largest number it can show is $2^n - 1$. So, if you have 3 bits, it counts from 0 to 7 (which is $2^3 - 1$). The range is from 0 to $2^n - 1$ because we're working with binary, and that's how the counting works.

Simulation:

1. Asynchronous Counter

- **First Trigger:** The first flip-flop (usually a JK or D flip-flop) is directly controlled by the clock signal.
- **Cascading Trigger:** Once the first flip-flop changes, it triggers the next one, and this process continues with each flip-flop triggering the next in line.
- **Ripple Effect:** As the clock signal changes the first flip-flop, the change moves, or "ripples," through the other flip-flops one after another, which is why it's called a ripple counter.

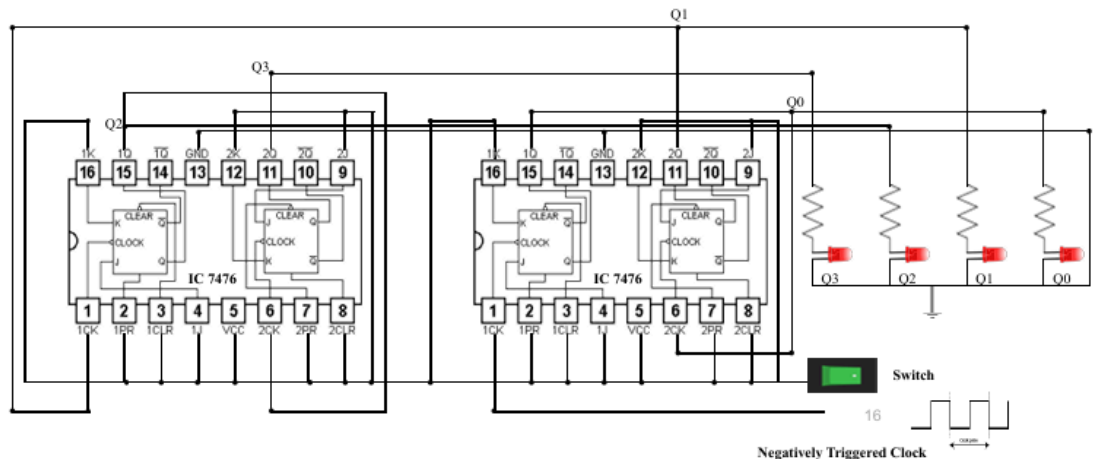
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Asynchronous Counter

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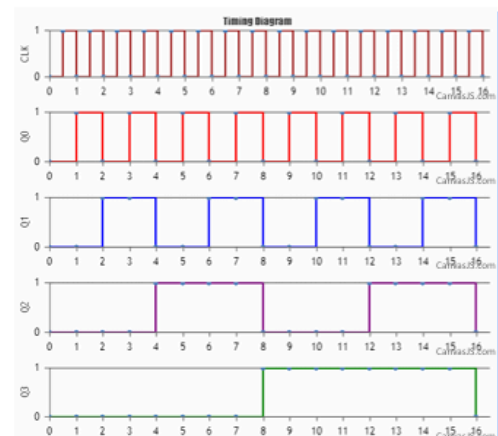


TRUTH TABLE

Serial No.	Clock	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q0
1	1	0	0	0	0
2	2	0	0	0	1
3	3	0	0	1	0
4	4	0	0	1	1
5	5	0	1	0	0
6	6	0	1	0	1
7	7	0	1	1	0
8	8	0	1	1	1
9	9	1	0	0	0
10	10	1	0	0	1
11	11	1	0	1	0
12	12	1	0	1	1
13	13	1	1	0	0
14	14	1	1	0	1
15	15	1	1	1	0
16	16	1	1	1	1

TIMING DIAGRAM

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2. Synchronous Counter

- **Simultaneous Clocking:** All the flip-flops in a synchronous counter are triggered by the same clock signal, so they all change at the same time.
- **No Ripple Effect:** Since all flip-flops get the clock signal together, there's no delay like in asynchronous counters. This allows synchronous counters to work faster.
- **More Complex:** Designing synchronous counters is more complicated because you need extra logic (like AND or OR gates) to control when each flip-flop should change based on the current count.

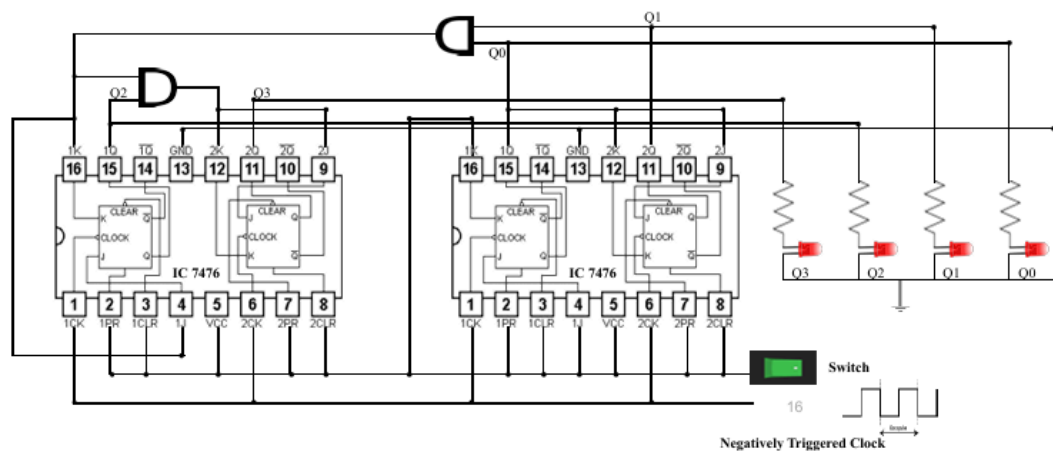
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Synchronous Counter

Instructions

4-Bit Synchronous Parallel Counter using J-K Flip-Flop

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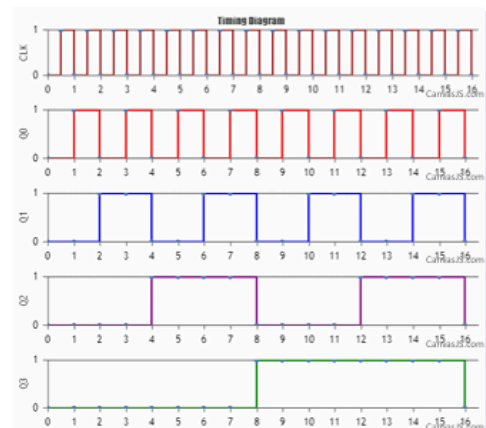


TRUTH TABLE

Serial No.	Clock	Q3	Q2	Q1	Q0
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5	5	0	1	0	0
6	6	0	1	0	1
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TIMING DIAGRAM

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One of the major drawbacks to the use of asynchronous counters is that _____
☐ a: Low-frequency applications are limited because of internal propagation delays
☒ b: High-frequency applications are limited because of internal propagation delays
☐ c: Asynchronous counters do not have major drawbacks and are suitable for use in high- and low-frequency counting applications
☐ d: Asynchronous counters do not have major drawbacks and are suitable for use in high- and low-frequency counting applications

A counter is implemented using three (3) flip-flops, possibly it will have _____ maximum output status.
☐ a: 3
☐ b: 7
☒ c: 8
☐ d: 15

Which sequential circuits are applicable for counting pulses?
☒ a: Counters
☐ b: Flip Flops
☐ c: Registers
☐ d: Latches

A decimal counter has _____ states.
☐ a: 5
☒ b: 10
☐ c: 15
☐ d: 20

Counter is a _____
☐ a: Combinational circuit
☒ b: Sequential circuit
☐ c: Both
☐ d: None

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