

# Computer Systems

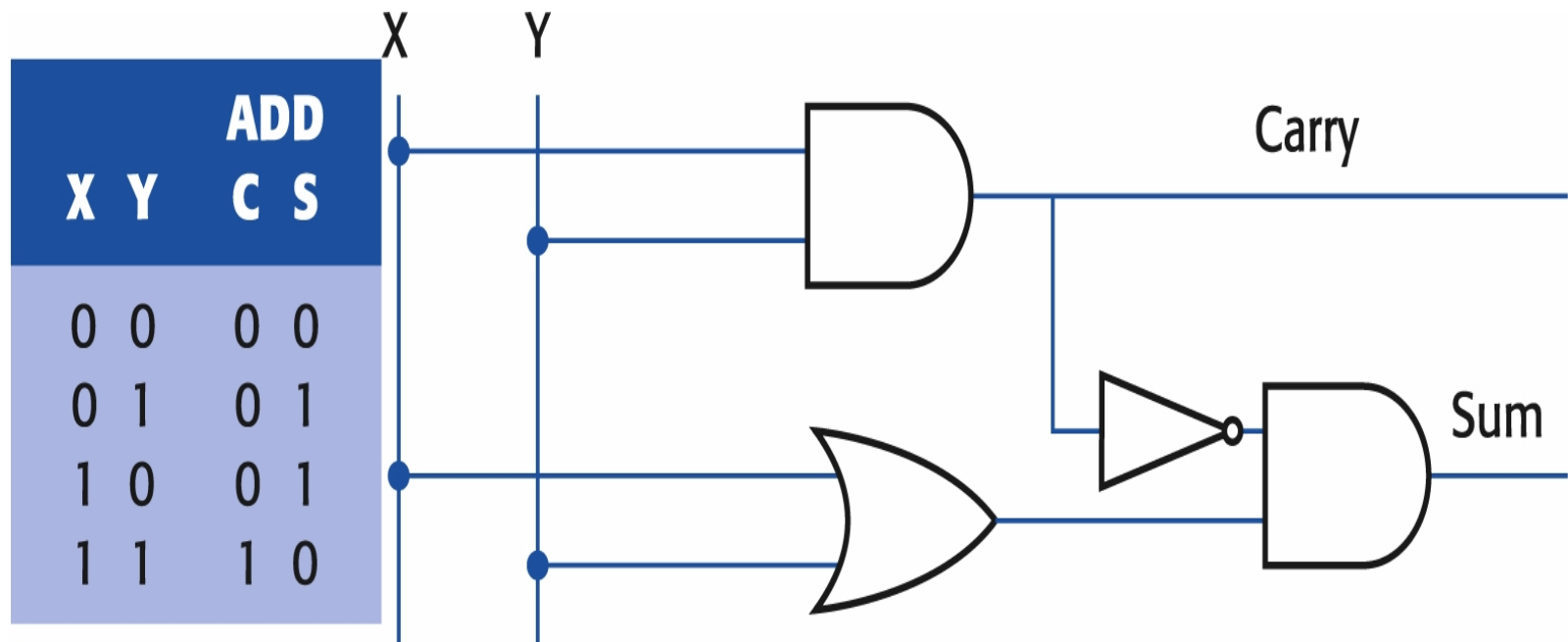
## Lecture 24

# Overview

- Half adder
- Full adder
- Sequential logic circuits
- Flip-flops
- Other types of flip-flops

# Doing arithmetic via logic

- Binary addition. For the addition of single-bit binary numbers: (Half-)adder.



**Fig. 5.2** Adder v.1.

# Other possible designs for half adder

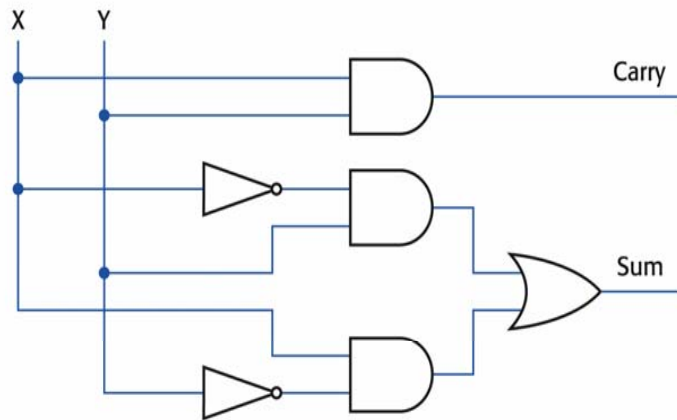


Fig. 5.3 Adder v.2.

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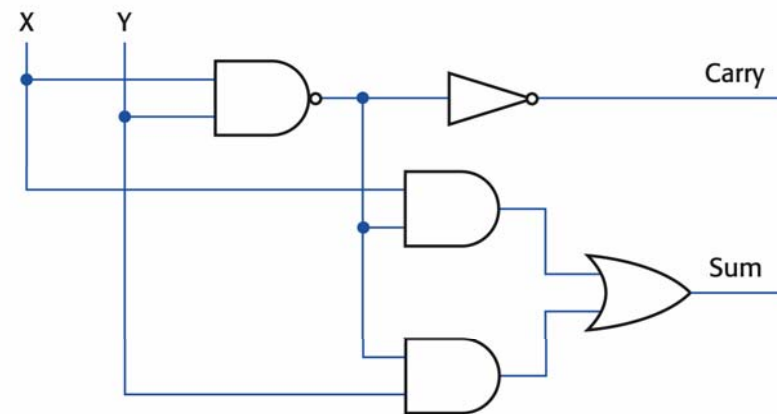


Fig. 5.4 Adder v.3.

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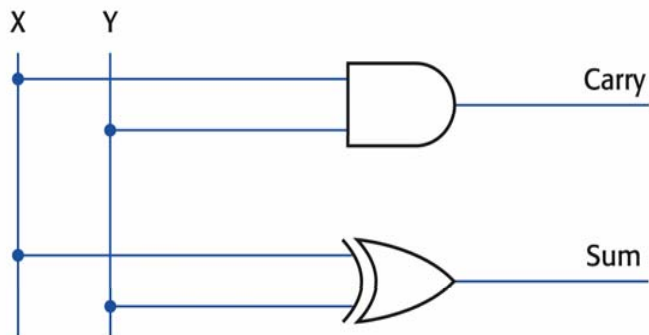
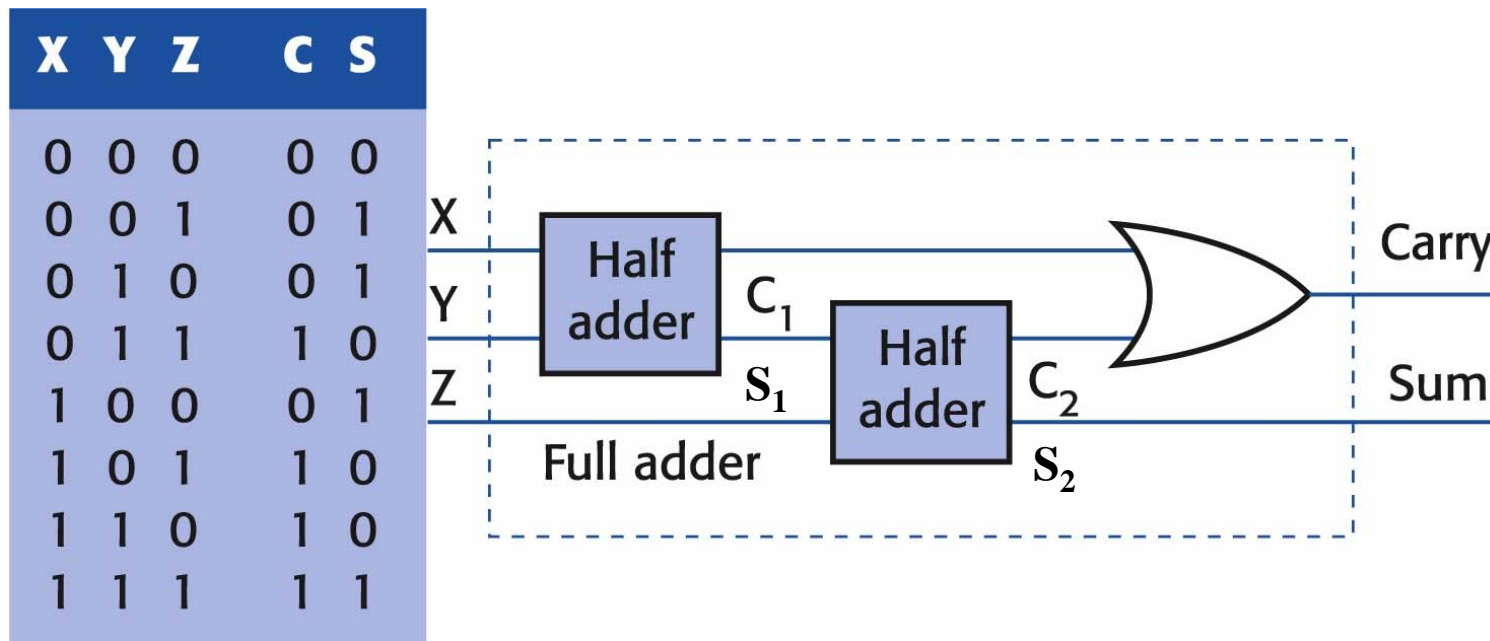


Fig. 5.5 Adder v.4, using an XOR gate for the Sum.

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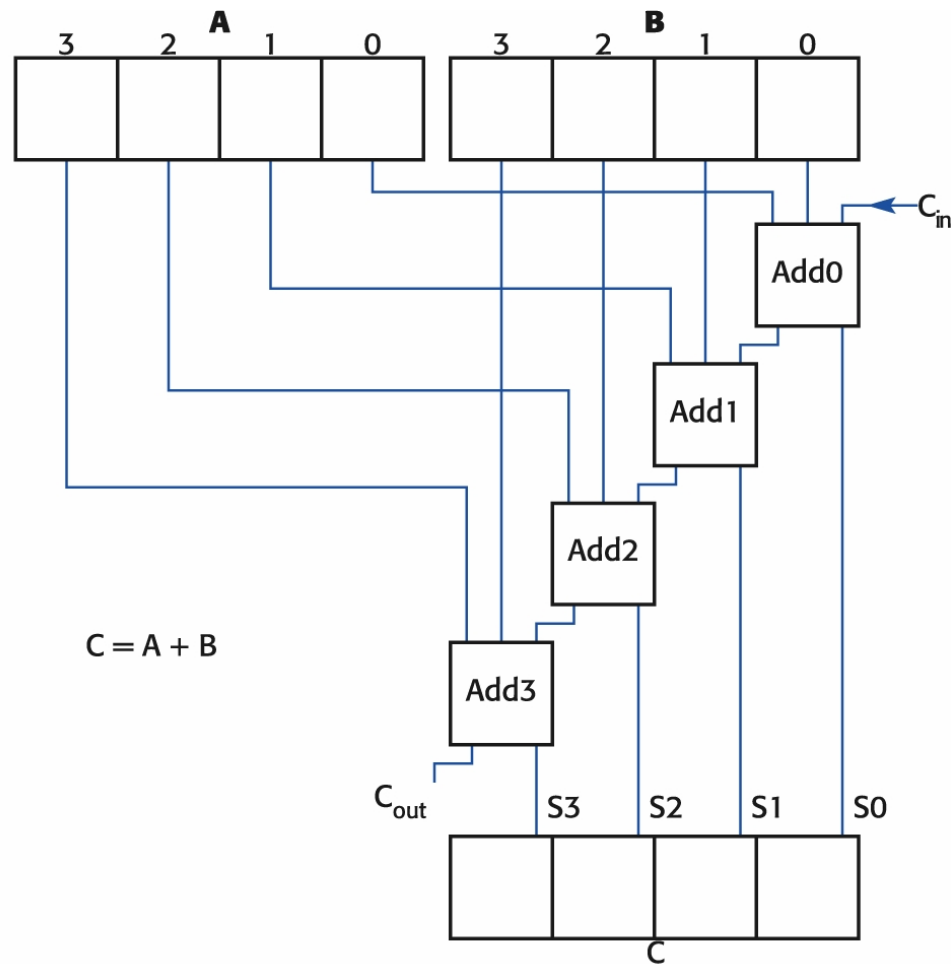
# Full adder

- For the addition of multi-bit binary numbers one needs to deal with carry-in from previous stage, that means the adder should have three inputs.



**Fig. 5.6** Full adder.

# Full adder (cont.)



**Fig. 5.7** Parallel addition for 4 bit numbers.

Ex. Extend 4-bit full adder into 8-bit full adder

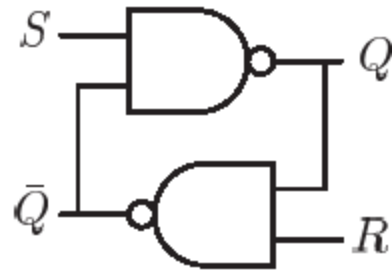
# Sequential logic circuits

- **Combinational** (combinatorial) logic circuits.
  - In all Boolean circuits that we have seen so far, the output at any moment depends only on the input at the same moment.
  - **No memory** is there.
- **Sequential** logic circuits.
  - The output depends also on the **state** of the circuit. The state of the circuit is somehow stored within the circuit.
  - There is a **memory** inside.



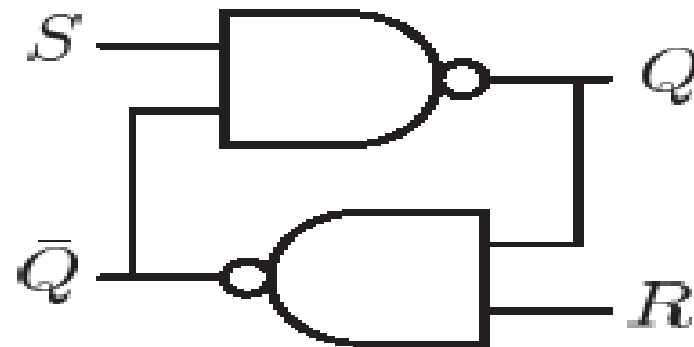
# Flip-flops, or latches

- The basic memory element of the sequential circuits is called a **flip-flop**, or **latch**.
- The simplest flip-flop is made up of two NAND gates. It is called set-reset (SR) flip-flop.



- Inputs are  $S$  and  $R$  while outputs are  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$ .

# SR flip-flop



- Suppose that  $S$  and  $R$  are both initially set to 1. Can we determine two outputs  $Q$  and  $\bar{Q}$  ? **No.** Two variants are possible:

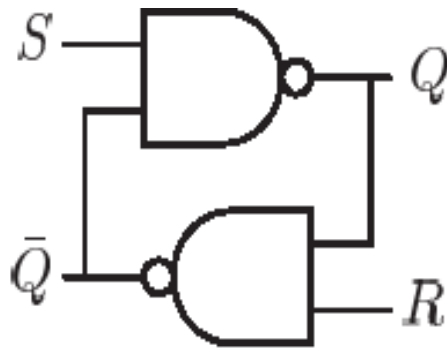
$Q = 1$  and  $\bar{Q} = 0$ , or

$Q = 0$  and  $\bar{Q} = 1$

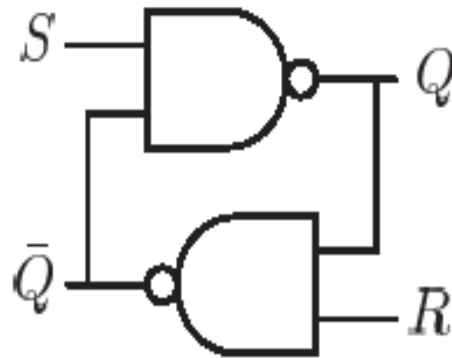
- Everything is consistent with any of these variants.

## SR flip-flop (cont.)

- If we fix both inputs to be 1, then the circuit may have one of the two possible **states**. The circuit is **stable** as long as R and S remain at 1.



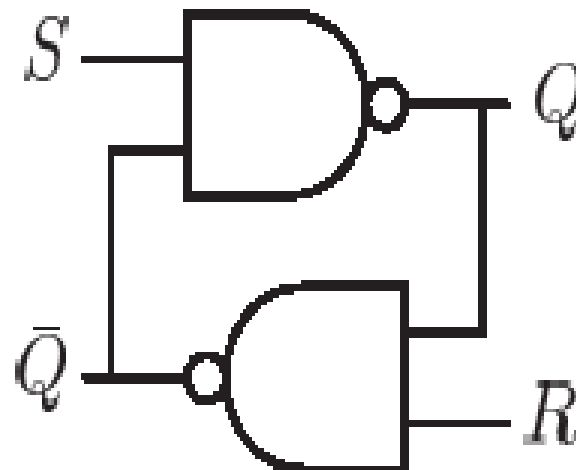
## SR flip-flop (cont.)



- Let's assume that flip-flop is in a stable state with  $Q=1$ .
- Suppose,  $R$  momentarily becomes 0. This forces changing the value of  $Q$  to 0. The circuit will stay in this state even after input  $R$  returns to 1. The flip-flop **switched** the states.
- If then input  $S$  momentarily becomes 0 the system will switch the state back.

## SR flip-flop (cont.)

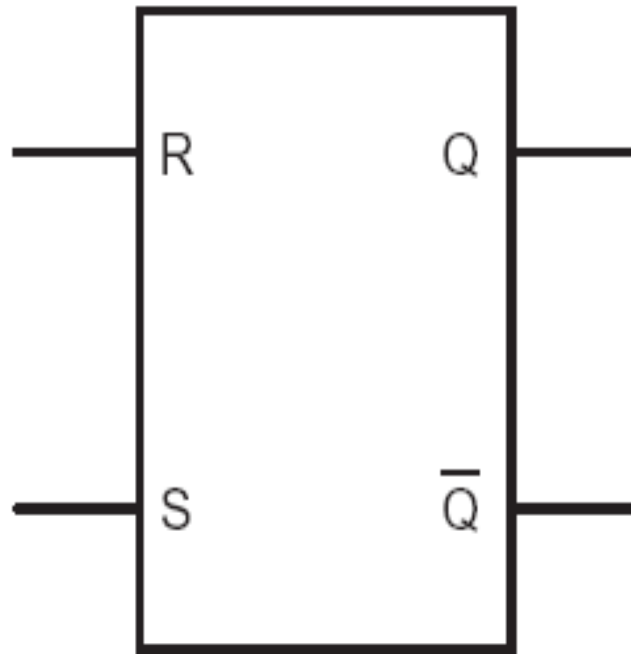
- Thus, SR flip-flop **remembers** which input was set (momentarily) to 0 last.
- One constraint: the logic surrounding this flip-flop must avoid situations where **both** R and S are 0 at the same time.



## State table of SR flip-flop

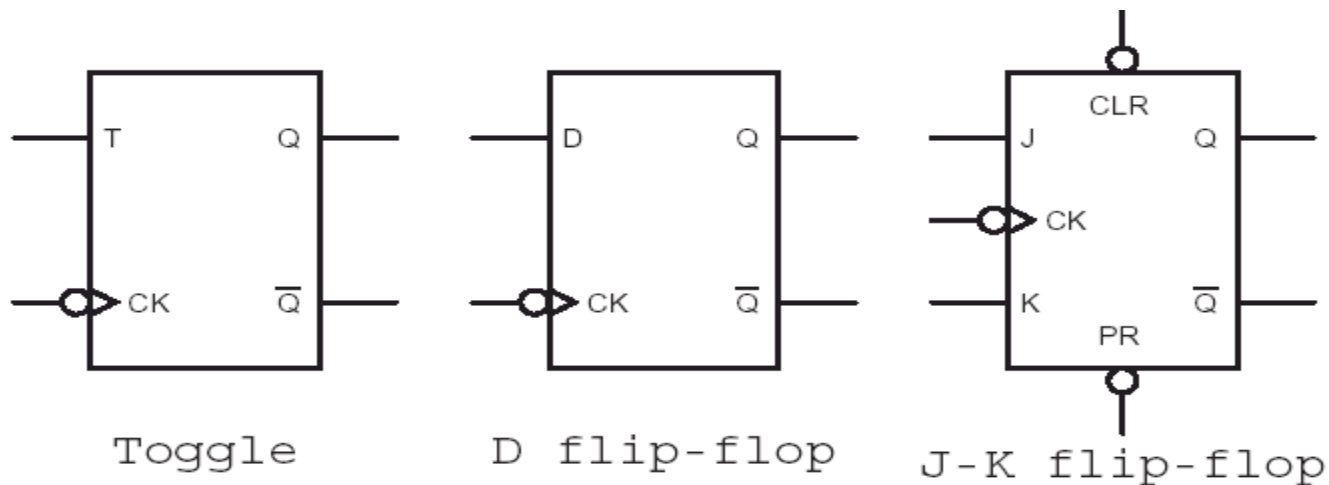
R	S	Q
0	0	?
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	$Q_{\text{prev}}$

# SR representation



FlipFlop (SR)

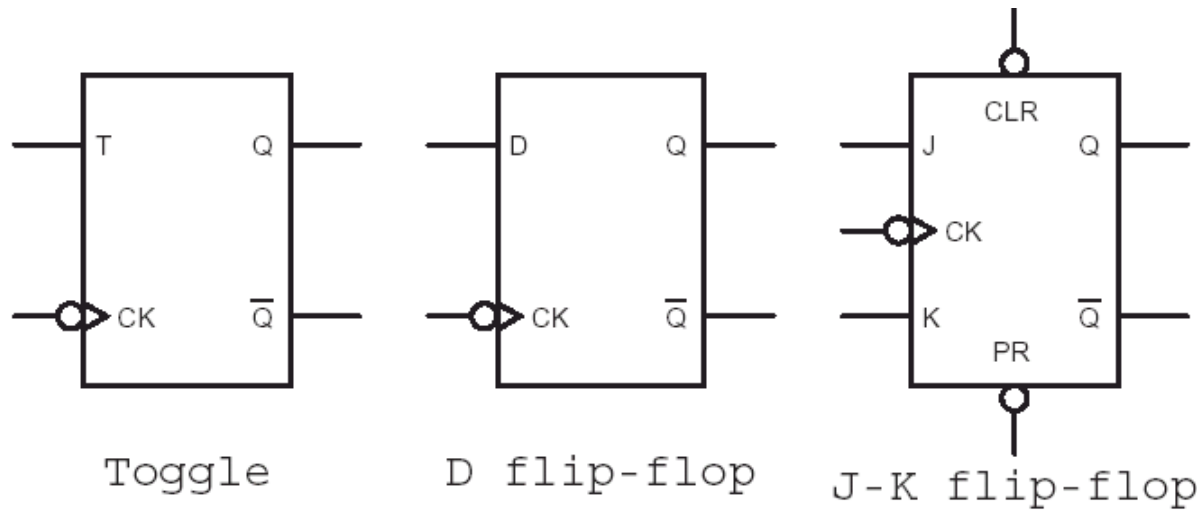
# Other types of flip-flops



- All these flip-flops have an input marked for **clock**. The new output occurs when the clock is pulsed, i.e. momentarily changed from 1 to 0.
- CLR (clear) and PR (preset) inputs are used to initialise the flip-flop to known value ( 0 and 1, respectively).



# Other types of flip-flops (cont.)

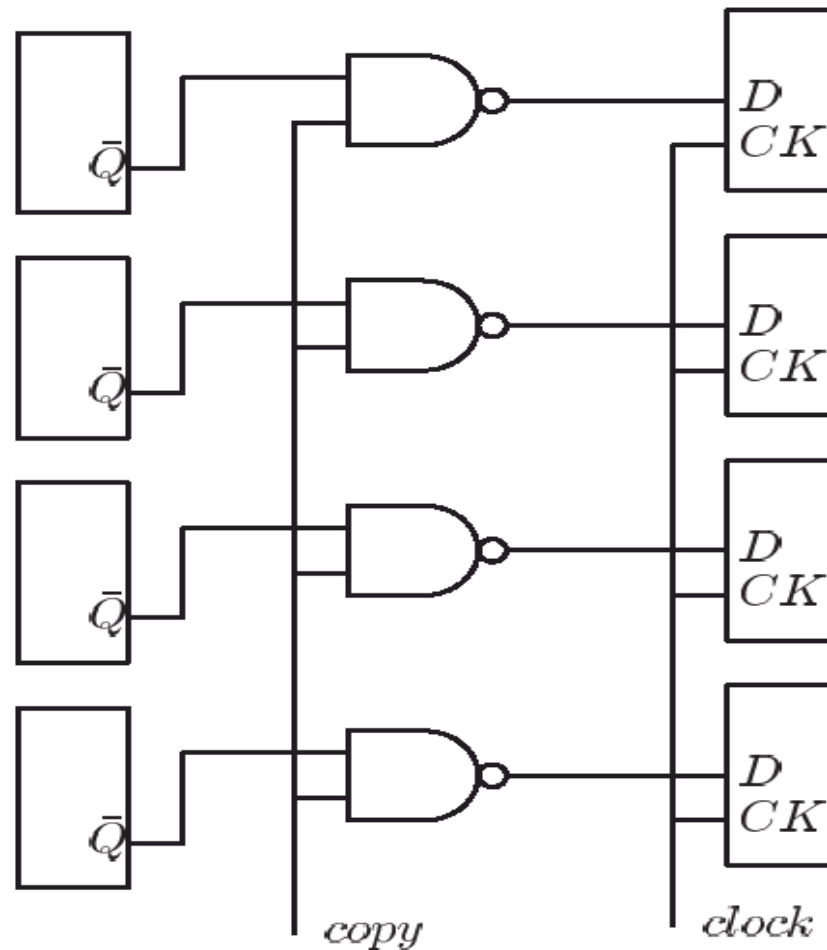


$T$	$Q$
0	$Q_{prev}$
1	$\bar{Q}_{prev}$

$D$	$Q$
0	0
1	1

$J$	$K$	$Q$
0	0	$Q_{prev}$
0	1	0
1	0	1
1	1	$\bar{Q}_{prev}$

## Use of D flip-flops - Copying data



Circuit to copy data from one register to another.

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- Q. What type of flip-flop has an illegal state?

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- Q. What type of flip-flop allows us to copy data?



- Q. What type of circuit has ‘memory’?

# Readings

- [Wil06] Sections 5.1, 5.2, 6.1.