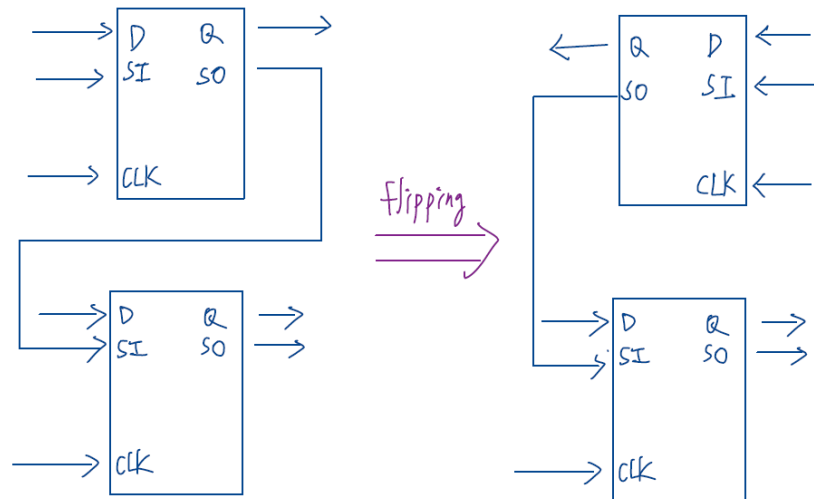


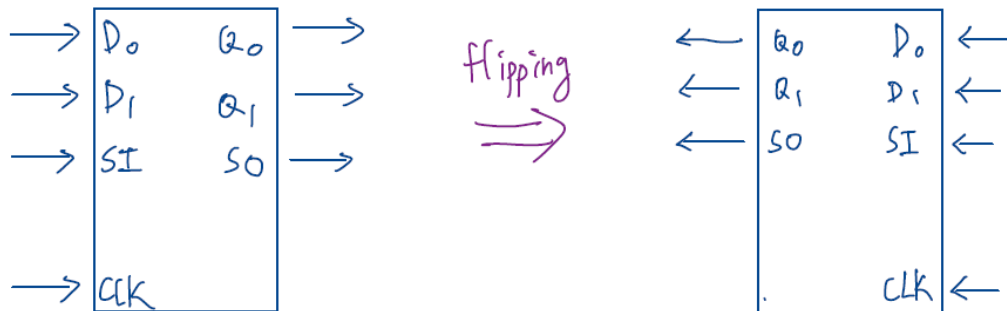
Here are some questions about the ICCAD 2025 contests, Problem B:

1. Can the pins of the flipflop be flipped as shown in the examples below?

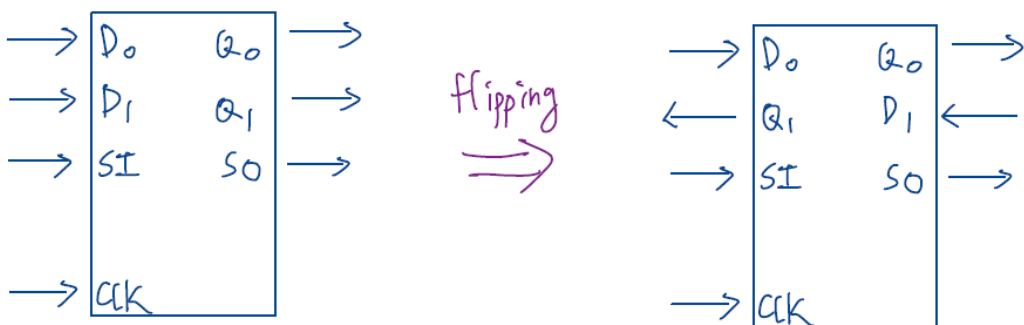
Case 1: flip a single bit FF (the top one)



Case 2: flip all the pins of a MBFF



Case 3: flip the partial pins of a MBFF



2. If the scan chain order of the single-bit flip-flops is $FF1 \rightarrow FF2 \rightarrow FF3 \rightarrow FF4$, does it mean that the mapping must follow the order (i.e. the D pins of $FF1, FF2, FF3, FF4$ must be mapped to $D0, D1, D2, D3$ of the MBFF respectively) after banking? Or can the D pins of $FF1, FF2, FF3$, and $FF4$ be mapped to $D3, D1, D0$, and $D2$, for example?

3. How should the pins of single-bit FFs be mapped to a MBFF after banking in the case shown below (where the scan chain orders are $FF1 \rightarrow FF2$ and $FF3 \rightarrow FF4$)? If I map the SI of $FF1$ to the SI of the MBFF, does that imply the SO of $FF4$ should be mapped to the SO of the MBFF? Do I understand correctly?

